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Bhaktivedanta Manor Temple **Year 6 Trip – Thursday 23rd May**

Dear Parents/Carers,

This term, we are delighted to be able to offer our Year 6 children a trip to Bhaktivedanta Manor Temple Trip – a Tudor style manor house and Hindu Temple in lovely grounds near Watford – on Thursday 23rd May. This trip will develop the children's understanding of Hinduism and will include: an interactive introduction to key aspects of Hinduism; an opportunity to dress in traditional Indian costume; a cart ride to the farm; a tour of the farm and gardens; a decorative face painting session; a delicious vegetarian lunch and a visit to the shrine and the shop. Previous Year 6 children have always found the trip an enjoyable and engaging experience

The coach will depart from St Michael's at 8.30am so we ask that children can be in school for 8.15am please. We expect to arrive back at school for 4.00pm but this will depend on the traffic on the day and parents will be informed of any significant delays.

In line with Hindu teachings and beliefs, a vegetarian lunch will be provided for all of the children as meat products are not allowed on their site. Therefore, children will not be able to bring their own packed lunch. Full school uniform should be worn; please also ensure that they bring a full water bottle.

There will be an opportunity to purchase small gifts and we recommend that a maximum of £5 spending money is brought.

The cost of the trip, including coach travel, will be £20 per child and payment should be made via ParentPay. We would ask that payment is made by Monday 13th May. You will be asked for your consent to the trip when you make your payment.

We wish to make it clear that no pupil will be denied participation in this visit on the grounds that no contribution has been made on his/her behalf. Equally, it will be clear that the school does not have any resources to subsidise non-contributors, and so if contributions do not match the amount needed to meet the cost of the visit the trip will not take place. Please note that where monies have to be paid to external agencies in advance of this trip it is unlikely that this proportion of the cost will be refunded if the child is unable to go.

If you have any queries regarding the trip, please contact your child's teacher. Thank you for your support.

Mrs Stevens and Mrs Dines