1th April 2022

**Year 7 Bhaktivedanta Manor Visit – Wednesday 15th June 2022**

Dear Parents/Carers,

As part of your child’s Religious Studies course we are organising a day visit to the Bhaktivedanta Manor on Wednesday 15th June 2022. We shall travel by coach, leaving school at 9am and returning at 3.00pm approximately. Your child should wear full school uniform and bring appropriate writing equipment. Leather jackets and fur coats are strongly discouraged, though leather shoes are fine. Lunch will be provided by the Bhaktivedanta Manor.

The visit will comprise a tour of the grounds, a ride in a bullock cart, seeing the cows, a presentation on Hinduism emphasising its concern for the environment, seeing the images of the gods in the temple, dressing up in saris and face painting. A vegetarian lunch of very mildly spiced curry, chapattis, chips and orange juice will be served and we will visit the shop. You may wish to provide a small amount of money for a souvenir from the gift shop. Phones will not be necessary for this trip and should be left in their lockers.

The cost of this event will be **£25.00**. Payment of this amount is voluntary, but the reality is that unless sufficient voluntary contributions are made to cover costs we will be forced to cancel the event for all pupils. Please make payment, via WisePay, by Friday 20th May. 50% of the cost of the trip will automatically be met by the school for pupils in receipt of free school meals.

**There are 78 spaces for this trip**. Only those pupils for whom we have received parent/carer permission by the deadline of Friday 20th May will be considered for a place. If pupil numbers exceed the number of places available then a ballot will be held. Those unsuccessful in the ballot will receive a full refund and be given priority in the next school visit available to them.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact us. We very much hope your child will find the event rewarding.

Kind regards,

**Miss I Andreone**

*Teacher of Religious Studies*