



2nd June 2026

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Dear Parent/carers,

I am writing regarding the proposed Year 7 visit to Neasden Hindu Temple that was due to take place during Cultural Week in June.

Unfortunately, despite the generous support of many families and additional funding received through the Jack Petchey Foundation, we have not received sufficient voluntary contributions to cover the overall cost of the visit. As a result, we are disappointed to inform you that the trip will no longer be able to go ahead.

We know that many students were looking forward to this opportunity to support their learning about Hinduism and to experience another faith tradition first-hand. Although the visit is no longer able to take place, students will still have the opportunity to explore a range of cultures and beliefs through their lessons. During Cultural Week, activities will include learning about cultural traditions from around the world, including the Mexican festival of *Día de los Muertos* (Day of the Dead). In Religious Studies lessons later in the term, students will study some key aspects of Hinduism, exploring key beliefs and concepts such as creation, the nature of the afterlife, symbols and the significance of these teachings within Hindu tradition. We remain committed to providing meaningful opportunities for students to broaden their understanding of the diverse cultures and faiths that make up our global community.

We would like to sincerely thank those families who made contributions towards the trip. Your support is greatly appreciated. All contributions received will be refunded in full, and refunds will be processed within the next seven days.

Whilst we are naturally disappointed that we are unable to offer this particular experience, we are grateful for your continued support of the wider opportunities we provide for our students throughout the year.

Thank you for your understanding.

Kind regards,

Miss Simmonds

Acting Head of RE