



Our Ref: JSN/KON

May 2026

YEAR 10 RELIGIOUS STUDIES TRIP PARENTS/CARERS

Dear Parent/Carer

Birmingham Buddhist Vihara & Cradley Buddhist Centre Trip - Wednesday 3 June 2026

Religious Studies would like to offer GCSE students in Year 10 the opportunity to experience a daytrip to Birmingham Buddhist Vihara and Cradley Jangchub Ling Kadampa Buddhist Centre on Wednesday 3 June 2026. This is a unique opportunity for students to experience first-hand a Buddhist place of worship. This visit also supports our current unit on Buddhist beliefs and teachings.

The cost of the trip will be £18.00 which includes coach hire and a small charitable donation. A reduction is applied for Pupil Premium students. Students will need to bring a packed lunch for the trip. Any students who are entitled to Free School meals will be provided with a packed lunch if requested on the below expression of interest link.

Students will need to register at 8.40am in F3 and will depart at 9.00am and are anticipated to return to school at 3.00pm. Students will be allowed to bring their mobile phones for the purposes of updating you on their anticipated return time. If your child does not have a phone please ask them to contact a member of staff who will contact you on their behalf. Students can wear their own clothes and it is important that they wear sensible footwear. Please bear in mind that it is a place of worship therefore respectful and modest clothing must be worn. Footwear is not allowed inside the Pagoda Hall so students need to ensure they are wearing socks. As devotees usually sit on the carpet with cushions we expect the pupils to do the same. As students will be sitting down, it is advisable for them to wear trousers. Warm clothing is also required as the venues can be cold.

It would be much appreciated if parents/carers could use the Online Payment system when paying for this trip, it is a user-friendly system and easily accessible. If there is an issue with making a payment by this method a barcode letter can be requested from the school office. **Full payment will need to be paid by Wednesday 20 May 2026 in order to secure your child a place on this trip.**

Can you also please be aware that any students who are behaving inappropriately in school before the trip, or not achieving what we would expect of them, will not be taken. If this happens after payment has been made a refund will not be possible as we have to meet the costs regardless of how many students are going. We ask for your understanding on this matter.

Please confirm your expression of interest to attend this trip by completing the below link no later than Monday 18 May 2026.

[Year 10 Buddhist Vihara & Centre Trip - Wednesday 3 June 2026 – Fill in form](#)

Yours sincerely

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