

Dear Parent/Carer,

In Years 3 and 4 the children have been learning about Buddhism. This is linked to the Staffordshire Agreed Syllabus for Religious Education. In addition to this, it will also support the children's learning on 'Promoting British Values' through showing *tolerance* and *mutual respect*. As part of our learning we have arranged a trip to the Wat Mahathat, a Buddhist temple, in Kings Bromley. Whilst there, the children will listen to a brief talk centred around their learning and take part in some interactive activities. This will help the children to learn about Buddhism and cultures through a personal experience, which we feel as a school is a necessity in today's modern society.

The trip will take place on **Monday 9<sup>th</sup> March**. One group will be visiting Wat Mahathat in the morning and one in the afternoon. The afternoon group will be back to school for the end of the normal school day.

All children are required to wear school uniform and a waterproof coat. All children will be at school for lunch. To enable the trip to take place we will require a payment of £4.50 per child to cover the cost of the coach and all activities. Free School Meal children will be required to pay £2.25. Please note refunds for absence on the day cannot be made. Unfortunately, if insufficient payments are received this may result in the trip not taking place. **Please ensure your child brings a piece of fruit or a small chocolate bar as an offering to the temple**.

Please make the appropriate payment via Parent Pay by Friday 21st February 2020. You will also be asked to tick a consent box as part of the payment process which authorises your son/daughter to attend the trip. Children will be unable to attend the trip if payment and consent isn't received.

Yours sincerely,

## Mrs Dennis RE Coordinator