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Dear Parents/Guardian,

## ENTRY LEVEL R.E. VISIT TO SIKH TEMPLE, SMETHWICK MONDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> MAY

I am organising a visit to a Sikh Temple (Gurdwara) in Smethwick, on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> May. The visit is for the Entry Level R.E. group only and as we are only a small group, we will be travelling on the school minibus.

The visit is part of the Entry Level curriculum, 'A Study of a Place of Worship'. We have been studying Sikhism, its culture and religion, over the last few lessons, in preparation for the visit. The students will be in school uniform as we are going during the school day. However there will be some dress codes and expectations on entering the Gurdwara, so I would hope that all the students will choose clean socks that morning and it would be helpful if the girls could bring a light scarf or a head-covering of some kind.

An important aspect of Sikh culture is that of 'Langar', the shared meal; a sign of generosity and caring for the needs of others. I fully expect that the students will be offered food at the Gurdwara, although they may want to bring a small lunch with them if they think they may get hungry later.

I hope that this experience will enrich your child's knowledge and understanding of another culture and religion, as well as fulfilling part of their exam curriculum. Also this visit promotes community cohesion so where possible I would like all the students to take part in the trip.

I am pleased to inform you that there will also be no costs for the trip.

I would be grateful if you could complete the proforma below and return it to school by **Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> May**.

If you have any queries concerning this trip, please do not hesitate to contact me at school.

**Katie Taylor Jones**

RE teacher

### To Ms Taylor Jones – RE Department

I/we acknowledge receipt of the letter regarding the visit to the Sikh Gurdwara on 10<sup>th</sup> May. I confirm that my child \_\_\_\_\_ has no food allergies which may effect their full participation in the visit.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_



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