

**WELCOME!**

In case you haven't heard of us we are a new group promoting Asian culture and activities for people living or working in South Gloucestershire.

***FIRST OUTING – A SELLOUT!***

Our trip to Neasden Temple in July was a sell out, with 47 adults and 23 children filling the Bakers Dolphin Luxury coach. Some of us had visited the magnificent temple before, but were amazed by the facts that were revealed to us during the guided tour organised by Nalin Parekh. Brochures may be borrowed on request.



***Blessing in disguise***

We had planned to eat in the Saya café at the mandir, but due to a "mela" in London, it was closed. By coincidence, there was an open fun day at the adjacent Swami Narayan School which provided fantastic cuisine including bhel-puri, mogho, khichi, baked corn on the cob, and freshly squeezed passion fruit juice! There were also funfair rides and other entertainment making this deluge an added bonus, that some of the boys were reluctant to leave..



***Wembley***

The second part of the trip in Wembley appeared to be a million miles away from Bristol, as the variety of shops restaurants and street stalls provided an atmosphere more reminiscent of a bazaar in Surat.

***Looking forward: Language / Tabla / Bhangra classes***

17<sup>th</sup> September 2000 4 -5p.m. There will be a Registration day at the Bradley Stoke Leisure Centre for anyone interested in

- learning or teaching Hindi, Gujarati or Punjabi or
- tabla lessons - tuition by Tappan Roy.
- bhangra dancing.

A bouncy castle will be available in the main hall to entertain children (4 – 4.40 p.m.), and we aim to maintain a fun theme in the classes. Most classes are expected to start later this month or in early October.

Tabla lessons will be provided on advance payment of a nominal charge for a ten week session.

***Diwali***

A provisional booking has been made for 10<sup>th</sup> November for St Marys Old Boys club, where the last function was held. Anyone interested in assisting with organisation of the event is most welcome, and should contact one of the committee members. Look out for further details.

***And finally*** – If you know anyone who would like to become a member, please use the enclosed registration form and forward to **Jitesh Mistry** at 141 Pursey Drive, Bradley Stoke, Bristol. Tel 0117-931-1505. Email [sgap@cablenet.co.uk](mailto:sgap@cablenet.co.uk)