

Last term, the children of St. David's class went on their first school trip since the beginning of Lockdown. We have been learning about some of the beliefs and practises followed by Hindus around the world, so it was with great excitement that we got on the coach and made the journey to Newcastle to visit the ISKCON Hindu Mandir (temple) on Westgate Road. When we arrived we were greeted by our host Kirtida who showed the children where to leave their shoes before taking them into the main room. She then talked to the children about the different areas and artefacts in the room, explaining their significance and why they are important to Hindus. The children took part in several workshops including playing traditional instruments and dressing up in traditional clothes. After the workshops we enjoyed a delicious shared lunch of vegetable curry, rice and Indian bread which had been prepared by helpers in the Mandir. The children thoroughly enjoyed themselves and learnt a huge amount of information on our visit and it was lovely to be able to finally go on a trip together after so long.

