

# 2560 BE/2016 EVENTS CALENDAR

- ❖ BIRMINGHAM BUDDHIST VIHARA
- ❖ DHAMMATALAKA PEACE PAGODA
- ❖ BIRMINGHAM BUDDHIST ACADEMY

## FESTIVALS

### Buddha Day (Visaka)

Dr Rewata Dhamma's Memorial Service  
22 May 10:30am

### Dhammacakka Day & Pagoda Anniversary

17 July 10:30am

### Abhidhamma & Pavarana Day

16 Oct. 7:00pm

### Kathina

23<sup>rd</sup> Oct. 10:30am

### Buddhist Studies Online Course

For information about these classes go to our website:  
[birminghambuddhistacademy.org](http://birminghambuddhistacademy.org).

## FULL MOON

Chanting in the Pagoda at 7:30pm except on festival days.

24 Jan., 23 Feb., 23 Mar.,  
22 April, 21 May, 20 June,  
19 July, 18 Aug., 16 Sept.  
16 Oct., 14 Nov., 14 Dec.

## DEVOTEE DAYS

An opportunity for devotees to offer dana lunch to the resident monks of the vihara. After lunch everyone may take part in a short meditation session followed by a Dhamma talk. The event will take place on the first Sunday of each month. For further details please contact:  
*Dr Nagasena or Bill Strongman*

## RETREATS

### Easter Retreat

25<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup> Mar  
*Led by Dr Ottara Nyana*

### 10-Day Insight Retreat

19<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup> Aug (experienced)  
*Led by Dr Ottara Nyana*  
Designed to enable meditators to experience the characteristic of impermanence and nature of non-selfhood as part of the process of insight meditation.

### Mahasi Insight Retreat

11<sup>th</sup> December (suitable for all)  
*Led by Bhikkhu Bodhidhamma*  
Classic Mahasi insight technique specifically designed for the western mind and taught in a popular dynamic fashion.

## School Visits

The number of school visits to the Pagoda is rising year on year and continues to provide students with invaluable experience to hear about the Buddha and his teachings and to meet Buddhist monks. For a school visit please contact:

Dr Nagasana: [uk.suriya@gmail.com](mailto:uk.suriya@gmail.com)  
Yanda Lovelock : [yanda\\_lovelock@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:yanda_lovelock@yahoo.co.uk)

## CHILDREN'S CLASSES

### Sunday class

from 1pm - 3pm

Every Sunday except when it falls on Christmas Day and New Year's Day.

Suitable for 5 + years, but all welcome with or without children.

For further details please contact Ellen on her mobile: 07814 972 460 or email her at:  
[ellen06\\_121@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:ellen06_121@yahoo.co.uk)

### Summer Course for Children

(11<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> Aug.)

Please bring your children to the Vihara to stay here and learn about Buddhism. This three day course will include a Buddhist film as well as enjoyable teachings. Accommodation will be available in our Vihara and we look forward to our children's course.

For details please contact Dr Nagasana:  
[uk.suriya@gmail.com](mailto:uk.suriya@gmail.com)

## MEDITATION CLASSES

### Beginners:

Thurs. 7:30pm

### Advanced:

Mon. 7:30pm

## PAGODA OPENING

Summer 9am – 7pm

Winter 9am – 5pm

The Pagoda is open most days but to avoid disappointment please call or e-mail first to ensure there will be someone available to welcome you and show you around.

Phone: 0121 454 6591 or email:  
[birminghambuddhistacademy.org](mailto:birminghambuddhistacademy.org).

For school visit contact:  
[uk.nagasuriya@gmail.com](mailto:uk.nagasuriya@gmail.com).