

## What is Arya Samaj?

Arya Samaj founded by Maharishi Dayanand Saraswati is an institution based on the teachings of Vedas for the welfare of universe. It propagates the universal doctrines of humanity. It is neither a religion nor a sect.

# ARYAN VOICE

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## (Festivals celebrated at Arya Samaj Bhavan)

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## Celebration of 73<sup>rd</sup> Independence Day of India

Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> August 2019 – 11am – 1.30pm  
(Recorded by Aastha TV Channel)

### Ved Katha (8 Days)

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> August to Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> August 2019 – 7pm – 9pm

### Gayatri Maha Yajna

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Please note for above events: CAR PARKING at Rookery School, Rookery Road, Handsworth, Birmingham, B21 9 PY for this event.

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## **10 Principles of Arya Samaj**

- 1. God is the primary source of all true knowledge and all that is known by its means.(At the beginning of creation, nearly 2 Billion years ago, God gave the knowledge of 4 Vedas to four learned Rishis named Agni, Vayu, Aditya and Angira. Four Vedas called Rig Ved, Yajur Ved, Sam Ved and Atharva Ved contain all true knowledge, spiritual and scientific, known to the world.)**
- 2. God is existent, intelligent and blissful. He is formless, omnipotent, just, merciful, unborn, infinite, invariable (unchangeable), having no beginning, matchless (unparalleled), the support of all, the master of all, omnipresent, omniscient, ever young (imperishable), immortal, fearless, eternal, holy and creator of universe. To him alone worship is due.**
- 3. Vedas are the scripture of all true knowledge. It is paramount duty of all Aryan to read them, teach and recite them to others.**
- 4. All human beings should always be ready to accept the truth and give up untruth.**
- 5. All our actions should be according to the principles of Dharma i.e. after differentiating right from wrong.**
- 6. The primary aim of Arya Samaj is to do good to the human beings of whole world i.e. to its physical, spiritual and social welfare.**
- 7. All human beings ought to be treated with love, justice and according to their merits as dictated by Dharma.**
- 8. We should all promote knowledge (Vidya) and dispel ignorance (Avidya).**
- 9. One should not be content with one's own welfare alone but should look for one's welfare in the welfare of all others.**
- 10. In matters which affect the well being of all people an individual should subordinate any personal rights that are in conflict with the wishes of the majority. In matters that affect him/her alone he/she is free to exercise his/her human rights.**



## **Purification of Knowledge**

**Paavakaah nah Sarasvati vaajebhirvaajinivati I yajnam  
vashtum dhiyaavasuh II**

**Rig Veda 1.3.10**

### **Meaning in Text Order**

**Paavakaa = purifier**

**Nah = to us**

**Sarasvati = the knowledge of the Veda**

**Vaajebhir = wealth of knowledge and prosperity**

**Vaajinivati = associates us with pure and righteous  
deeds**

**Yajnam = welfare of others**

**Vashtum = accomplishment**

**Dhiyaa – vasuh = through knowledge and actions.**

### **Meaning**

The study of scriptures (Sarasvati) purifies the minds of human beings. It provides prosperity and sound knowledge. It allows a person to become enriched through righteous means and to aspire to utilise wealth for welfare purposes.

## **Contemplation**

In Vedic terminology Sarasvati is the name of the knowledge which defines us as human beings. Let us worship mother knowledge. It provides us the juice in the form of knowledge, strength, nourishment, discretion, life, vitality, diligence and bliss. Knowledge makes an ignorant an ocean of learning, through that even disgraced become sages. With its blessing, the feeble generate internal strength. By acquiring it devil turn to be divine. It generates diligence, sharpens the intellect and teaches us to be remain always in action. May the knowledge be part of our life and make us successful in every walk of life. For the comprehensive development of divine qualities, we should worship Sarasvati. Knowledge has the strength to purify us. It is said – nahi gnyanam sadrisham pavitramiha vidyate. There is nothing compared to knowledge to assist in our purification. All impurities derive from ignorance. Ignorance is the root cause of most calamities. Purity of knowledge becomes the means of salvation.

Through knowledge we acquire wealth, prosperity and materialistic prosperity. The penance for seeking knowledge makes people strong and generates among them the spirit of sacrifice. The proper utilisation of wealth is to devote it for the welfare of others.

Veda is also called Sarasvati as it is full of knowledge, providing knowledge to humans as a fountain provides water and quenches the thirst of human beings. The knowledge of Veda provides purification to the mind of listener. Understanding the meaning of the mantra inspires the reader's mind. It provides sharp intellect and inspires mankind to do their duty. We offer our homage to mother Sarasvati

**By Mr Krishan Chopra**

**ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR 2018 – 2019**  
**FROM THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES PRESENTED**  
**BY MRS. BRIJ BALA DUGGAL**  
**FOR THE AGM ON 28<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2019**  
**HELD AT ARYA SAMAJ (VEDIC MISSION) WEST MIDLANDS.**

Following the last AGM (29<sup>th</sup> July 2018) and after gaining the vote of members, Dr. Narendra Kumar applied for an extension of another two year term to remain 'Chairman' of the Board of Trustees of Arya Samaj (Vedic Mission) West Midlands and has continued to take full responsibility for following up the unfinished work at the building. This has involved dealing with all issues directly and indirectly with Project Manager, Builders and HS2 Representatives as well as managing 'day to day' affairs of ASWM and organising events etc. As contemplated, at the last AGM, the building work has continued and there are still some external repairs as well as basement work to be carried out.

The Appeal made to our members early last year, for raising funds for work not covered by HS2, has enabled us to raise over £60,000 so far and continues to rise. The Board of Trustees take this opportunity to acknowledge members generous support and at the same time thank them all for the same.

**Women's Help Centre**

After four difficult meetings, held between period of September 2017 till June 2018, and our futile attempts to reach agreement on issues of Lease/rent, with our tenant, we had to issue a Notice to WHC either to pay proper rent or vacate the premises. WHC decided to vacate the premises and asked for compensation of £7000. ASWM offered to pay £4000 through our solicitors. This amount was paid and they moved out on 29th March 2019. This part of the building stands empty and requires complete refurbishment. We have made a planning application for 'Change of Use' so that we can turn it into

offices on first floor and a retail shop on ground floor which will enable us to earn a regular income for ASWM.

### **A Memorable Year**

**Last year, on the whole, was a mixture of sorrows and joys. Joys in terms of our achievements and all the happy occasions, members have celebrated at ASWM i.e. birthdays, anniversaries, festivals and of course a fantastic Charity Dinner Evening with entertainment from famous Ghazal Singers. Sorrows relate to our loss of so many devoted members.**

### **Sponsored Yajman**

Total sponsored Yajmans for Sunday Havans in the year 2018 (Jan-Dec) were 18. This is less than 2/3 of last year's figure. However, since April this year there has been some improvement in Sunday Havan bookings by new members.

### **Sanskar Performed by Acharya Ji**

Acharya Ji performed 47 sanskars in the last year (April 2018 – March 2019). Total income from these was £3818.

During the period from July 2018 to June 2019 more than twelve functions and events were organised by ASWM. I give below brief details of some of these:

- **Lectures by Dr. Naveen Kumar Arya** - These took place at the Bhavan from 8<sup>th</sup> of August to 12<sup>th</sup> of August 2018.
- **Ved Katha 26<sup>th</sup> August to 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2018** - Ved Katha sessions took place between 6:30 and 7:30 pm. throughout the week. Acharya Yadav Ji shed light on Kenopanishad Katha.
- **Gaytri Maha Yajna – 9<sup>th</sup> September 2018** - Annual Maha Yajna was held on 9<sup>th</sup> September 2018 and this was the first one at our new Bhavan. More than 150 people participated in

this event. The whole event was recorded by Aastha Television Channel team and subsequently televised.

- **Diwali Celebration – 10<sup>th</sup> November 2018** - This event was attended by 150 people. The evening began with Havan at 6:00 pm followed by refreshments and Diwali sweets being served at 6:30 pm. The day's programme included songs, dances and ghazals and Rishi Langar was provided by Arya Samaj.
- **Charity Dinner and Entertainment Evening – 1<sup>st</sup> December 2018** - This event which we called 'Ghazal Ki Shaam' was a tremendous success and helped raise funds by £3,000 after deducting expenses. Throughout the evening, we were entertained by Mr. Qamar Ali, Meena Kumari and Mr. Saber Massi (famous ghazal singers and Tabla players). The programme started at 6:00 pm and went on till after 11 pm with breaks for refreshments and dinner.
- **Republic Day Celebration – 27<sup>th</sup> January 2019** - We celebrated 70<sup>th</sup> Republic Day of India in the presence of more than 80 members.

### **In addition to the above mentioned events ASWM also celebrated**

Raksha Bandan on 26<sup>th</sup> August 2018, Krishan Janamashtmi on 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2018, Basant Panchami on 10<sup>th</sup> February 2019, Holi Festival on 24<sup>th</sup> March 2019, Rishi Bodh Utsav, and Arya Samaj 144<sup>th</sup> Foundation Day on 7<sup>th</sup> April 2019.

### **Historical Day for Arya Samaj - 26<sup>th</sup> June 2019**

We are now on the list of Religious places to be visited by students/pupils from Schools in Birmingham and first of these visits

took place on 26<sup>th</sup> June 2019. We were visited by 170 pupils (aged 12-13 yrs) from year 8 of Great Barr Academy. They came in two separate groups each accompanied by 5 teachers. They were shown around the building then given a brief introduction to Arya Samaj, our beliefs and principles and activities.

### **Parents and Toddler Group**

This was a six month project funded by 'Ageing Better' that began on 6<sup>th</sup> June 2018 and ended in November 2018. Allocated funding was not fully utilized. A part-time cook was employed on Wednesdays during this period.

### **Matrimonial Services**

Our Matrimonial services are not being used as much as they have been in the past. Although we have new registrations, previous members are often not renewing and of course some of them are now married. Despite our efforts to improve services, update technology and organise another matrimonial day, bookings were too low and imbalanced for us to proceed with the organised matrimonial day.

### **Activities**

Our Day Centre and Yoga group continue to take place on Wednesday mornings between 11:00am and 1:00 pm. Lunch is available after 1:00 p.m.

Another Yoga group was started in May 2019 and this takes place on Thursday evenings between 7.00pm and 8 .15p.m. Dr. Dheeraj Joshi from the CGI office (a well acclaimed Yoga Teacher) teaches Yog Pranayam (Level 1). All are welcome and is total free.

Our Congregation continues to meet on Sundays to perform Havan, listen to Acharya Ji's parvachan and share news and information. Rishi Langar is provided at 1:00 pm.

On the first Sunday of each Month between 7:00 am and 8:00 am Acharya ji gives Vedic sermons on Radio XL Birmingham as well as information and news about forthcoming events at ASWM.

We are working on setting up Indian Classical Dance Classes in the near future.

**In concluding my report for the year, I would like to add that despite all the outstanding building repairs and new repair problems arising, members of the Board of Trustees have worked really hard and shown great commitment to promote the work of Arya Samaj. We have continued to organise events and provide much needed services to our community. Despite pressures and distractions we remain focussed.**

**You will all be pleased to know that Mr. Joginder Pal Sethi and Mr. Vijay Kumar have now been appointed as member of our Board of Trustees. Other changes are that two members of the Board of Trustees have left during this period.**

**Board of Trustees would like to thank Acharya Yadav Ji for his vital role in ASWM and would also like to thank Raji Chauhan our Office Manager for her role and her work often under pressure of tight deadlines.**

**A special thanks from us also goes to Mr. Harish Malhotra Ji for his devotional duty towards ASWM at all events.**

**Lastly, but most importantly, on behalf of the Board of Trustees, I would like to thank all our members for their continued support and commitment to ASWM. As I have said in my previous reports, it is with your support that we continue to carry on the valuable work started by our Founder Maharishi Dayanand Saraswati.**

## Children's Corner Jataka Tales



### The Hawks and Their Friends

**This is another interesting story from the album of Jataka Tales.**

Once upon a time, there lived a family of Hawks in a lake near a forest. The family included Female-Hawk, Male-Hawk and their Kid-Hawks. All of them were passing their days happily. There also lived a Lion, a Kingfisher and a Turtle on the northern, the eastern and the southern shore of this lake respectively. One day, the Female-Hawk asked her husband, “Sweetheart, how many friends do you have near here?”

The Male-Hawk replied, “I do have friends, but not one in this part of the forest”. The Female-Hawk advised, “Dear, you must find some friends. At least, we should have someone who can help us, if ever we are in trouble or danger”. The Male-Hawk asked, “With whom shall I make friends?” The Female-Hawk suggested, “You can make friends with the Kingfisher, the Lion and the Turtle, who live on the eastern, the northern and the southern shore of this lake”.

The Male-Hawk liked the idea and went to the Lion, the Kingfisher and the Turtle and one by one made friends with them. Everyone was happy to make a new friend. Everything was going smoothly in their life. Suddenly one day, some men came to the forest for hunting. They hunted in the forest from morning till night, but found nothing. They didn't want to go home empty-handed, so they went to the lake in order to see what they could find there.

After the whole day, they were tired. When they couldn't locate anything even on the lake, one of them said, "let us stay here tonight and see what we can find in the morning". All of them agreed to the proposal. They made beds of leaves for themselves and lay down to sleep. They made beds under the tree in which the Hawk family had its nest. However, the hunters could not sleep because they were disturbed by the flies and the mosquitoes.

Ultimately, they got up and built a fire on the shore of the lake, so that the fumes would drive away the flies and mosquitoes. The fumes awoke the Hawks and the Kid-Hawks cried out. Hearing the cries of the Kid-Hawks, one of the hunters said to the other, "Did you hear that? That was the cry of the birds. They will be nice for our breakfast. There are young ones in that nest" pointing towards the nest. The hunters put more wood on the fire and made it blaze up.

The Hawks listened to the conversation of the hunters. The Female-hawk got frightened and said to her husband, "These men are planning to eat our young ones. We have to ask our friends to save us. Ask the Kingfisher to help us, as we are in danger". The Male-Hawk flew speedily to the Kingfisher's nest and made him awake with his cry. The Kingfisher asked the Hawk, "Why have you come at this late hour of night?" The Male-Hawk narrated the whole story to the Kingfisher.

The Kingfisher consoled the Hawk and said, "Don't worry my friend. I will help you. Go back and comfort your mate. I am just coming". The Male-Hawk flew back to his nest quickly and the Kingfisher also

came at the location. On arriving, the Kingfisher saw the burning fire and instantly, beating the water with his wings sprinkled water on the fire and put it out. The Hunters made another fire and one of them, tried to climb the tree. The Kingfisher put out the fire once again.

As often as the fire was made, the Kingfisher put it out. By the Midnight, the Kingfisher got very tired. The Female-Hawk noticed the condition of the Kingfisher and said to her husband, “The Kingfisher is tired. Go and ask the Turtle to come and help us. In the meantime, the Kingfisher can take some rest”. The Male-Hawk quickly flew down and told the Kingfisher, Rest a while friend. I am going to get the Turtle”.

Subsequently, the Male-Hawk flew towards the southern shore of the lake and awakened the Turtle. The Turtle asked the Hawk, “What happened friend? Why have you come?” The Male-Hawk replied, “A danger has come to us” and told the whole story about the hunters. He also said, “The Kingfisher has been working for hours and he is tired by now. That is why I have come to you”. At once the Turtle said, “I will help you”.

After this the Turtle went to the place where the Hawks lived. He dived into the water, collected some mud and put the fire out with it. On seeing the Turtle the hunters cried, “Why to bother for the young hawks? Let us kill this Turtle. It will make a nice breakfast for us. We have to be careful otherwise it will bite us. Let us throw a net over it and turn it over”. But they didn’t have nets with them, so they took some vines and tore their clothes to make a net.

When they tried to put the net over the Turtle, they could not roll him over. Instead, the Turtle suddenly dived down into the deep water making their efforts vain. The hunters got so impatient to get the turtle that they went down into the deep water. When they came out of the water, they said, “Half of the night, a Kingfisher kept putting out our fires. Now, we have torn our clothes and got wet while trying to get this turtle. We will make another fire and eat those

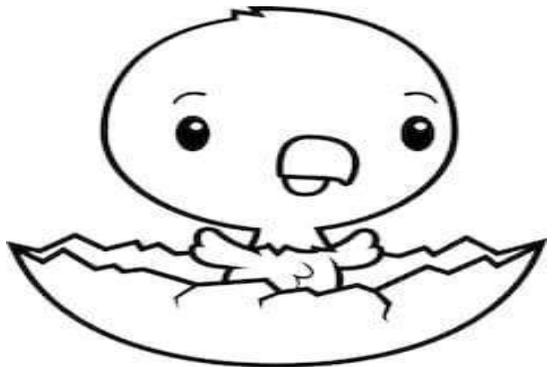
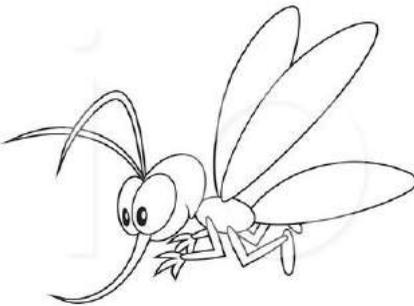
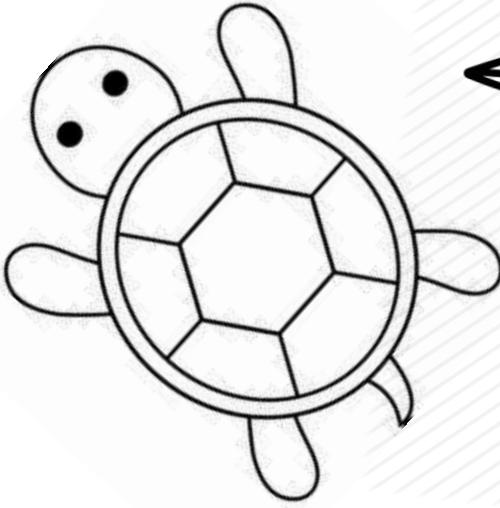
young hawks at sunrise”. With this, they started making another fire.

The Female-Hawk was hearing the conversation of the hunters. She said to her partner, “I am afraid, sooner or later these men will get our young ones. Go and ask our friend, the Lion to help us”. The Male-Hawk flew to the Lion at once. The Lion asked the Hawk, “Why have you come at this late hour of night?” The Hawk narrated to him the whole story. The Lion said, “Don’t worry friend. I am just coming. You go back and comfort your mate and the young ones”.

Soon, the Lion came roaring at the place. On hearing the Lion’s roar, the hunters cried, “Now, all of us will be killed”. They ran away from the scene as fast as they could run. When the Lion approached the tree, not even a single hunter was visible. At that time, the Kingfisher and the Turtle also came on the scene. The Hawks were happy to find the hunters were gone. They appreciated the efforts made by all of their friends and lived happily thereafter.

**Moral: Friends in need are friends indeed**





## **GAYATRI MANTRA**

**OM BHURBHUVAH SVAH  
TATSAVITURVARENYAM  
BHARGO DEVASYA DHEEMAHI  
DHIYO YO NAH PRACHODAYAAT.**

### **Meaning of Gayatri Mantra:-**

- **(OM)** IS THE MAIN NAME OF ALMIGHTY GOD WHICH INCLUDES ALL OTHER NAMES OF GOD.
- **(BHUH)** HE IS LIFE OF LIFE.
- **(BHUVAH)** HE IS THE PROTECTOR FROM ALL THE PAINS.
- **(SWAH)** HE IS ALL BLISS AND GIVER OF ALL BLISS TO HIS DEVOTEES
- **(SAVITUH)** HE IS CREATOR OF ALL UNIVERSE, THE ILLUMINATOR OF ALL THE LUMINOUS BODIES LIKE SUN ETC. THE GIVER OF ALL WISDOM AND WEALTH
- **(DEVASYA)** WE ESTABLISH HIM IN OUR HEART AS MOST DESIRABLE AND VICTORIOUS
- **(VARENYAM)** MOST SUPERIOR TO ACCEPT AND MEDITATE.
- **(BHARGAH)** HE BURNS ALL PAINS AND IS HOLY, SACRED AND PURE BY NATURE.
- **(TAT)** TO THAT ALMIGHTY GOD
- **(DHEMAHI)** WE SHOULD ACCEPT AND HOLD.
- **(YAH)** THAT ALMIGHTY GOD
- **(NAH)** OUR
- **(DHIYAH)** MIND IN BEST ATTRIBUTES, DEED AND NATURE (HABBIT & TEMPERAMENT).
- **(PRACHODAYAT)** INSPIRE US.

## **Matrimonial Service**

Arya Samaj (Vedic Mission) West Midlands is dedicated to its matrimonial members to provide a service that will help members find a partner for marriage within our community. We feel it is time to make a few changes to help with this process and move forward with the times.

### **Changes we have made in 2018:**

#### **Website:-**

- A new data base on the website that will give members an option to add a **photo** if they wish and a space for members to write a **bio** about themselves and what they are looking for in a partner.
- Existing members would have received a letter with information about what we need from you to update your profile. Once you have received this letter please fill it out and send back to us soon as possible, so we can update our **NEW** data base and you can start using the new system.

#### **Matrimonial Service:-**

- Members will now be given the **option** to directly contact each other or have the **option** for parents to contact each other.
- All **new** members will be contacted by the office staff for phone conversation during the application process.
- We are also looking in to ways of making our Matrimonial events more successful.
- **Now on facebook -**  
<https://www.facebook.com/aryasamajwestmidlands/>

# **News**

## **Please note**

**Car Parking for members on Sunday Congregation can safely park their cars on Rookery Road where there is SINGLE YELLOW LINE.**

## **Free Yoga Lesson**

**With Dr. Dheeraj Prakash Joshi Yogacharya  
Every Thursday - 7pm – 8.15pm  
ALL ARE WELCOME!**

### **Condolence:**

- Mrs. Hansaben Chauhan and family - for the loss of her beloved husband Mr. Naginbhai Chauhan on 24<sup>th</sup> July 2019 at the age of 82 years. Mr. Naginbhai Chauhan worked very well as an office manager for 10 years in Arya Samaj West Midlands from 2003 to 2013. He was a sincere man in his job. We Pray to Almighty God to grant his soul eternal peace and give strength to his family members & relatives to bear his loss.

### **Congratulations:**

- Dr. P.D. Gupta and Mrs. Rekha Gupta - for celebrating their 46<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary. Wishing them happiness and good health.
- Dr. M.D. Agarwal and Mrs. Rukmani Agarwal & Mr Kapil Goyal and Mrs Neelam Goyal - for the naming ceremony of their 2 month old grandson Yuvan Goyal son of Amit & Jessica Goyal. Wishing them all happiness and good health.

- Dr. M.D. Agarwal and Mrs. Rukmani Agarwal - for blessing ceremony for their grandchildren Ethan Murli Lloyd and Lea Narain Lloyd children of Danaiel and Melissa Lloyd. Wishing them all happiness and good health.

**Many congratulations to all the mentioned families who have had auspicious havan at their residences**

**On different occasions**

**Or**

**Sunday Vedic Satsangs**

**In Arya Samaj Bhavan.**

**Donations:**

- |                                |      |
|--------------------------------|------|
| • Mr V.P Rawal                 | £10  |
| • Mr Rakesh Bhardwaj           | £50  |
| • Dr P.D. Gupta with langer    | £300 |
| • Mr Vinod Gulati              | £150 |
| • Dr Murli Agarwal with langer | £430 |

**Donations to Arya Samaj West Midland through the Priest-Services:**

- |                  |      |
|------------------|------|
| • Mr. Amit Bagga | £250 |
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**Thank you for all your**  
**Donations!**

**Please contact Acharya Dr Umeh Yadav on  
0121 359 7727  
for more information on**

- **Member or non member wishing to be a Yajman in the Sunday congregation to celebrate an occasion or to remember a departed dear one.**
- **Have Havan, sankars, naming, munden, weddings and Ved Path etc performed at home.**
- **Our premises will be licensed for the civil marriage ceremony.**
- **Please join in the Social group at Arya Samaj West Midlands every Wednesday from 11am. Emphasis is on keeping healthy and fit with yoga and Pranayam. Hot vegetarian Lunch is provided at 1pm.**
- **Ved Prachar by our learned Priest Dr Umesh Yadav on Radio XL 7 to 8 am, first Sunday of the month. Next 1st September 2019 & 6th October.**

**Every effort has been taken that information given is correct and complete. But if any mistake is spotted please inform the office.**

*0121 359 7727*

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Website: [www.arya-samaj.org](http://www.arya-samaj.org)**

## New Building Refurbishment Fund

In month of July following people have donated...

<u>NAME</u>	<u>DONATION</u>
<b>NEW DONATIONS:-</b>	
Mr Rajinder Gupta	£1000
Dr Ved Budh-Raja	£100

**TOTAL SO FAR - £60,194.15**

**Thank you!**

### Haven't Donated Yet ????

Those of you who would like to donate money to  
"Arya Samaj (Vedic Mission) West Midlands"  
New building fund please do so now!!!

Your help is highly appreciated.

By cheque - Payable to 'Arya Samaj West  
Midlands' and send back to us at 321 Rookery  
Road, Handsworth, Birmingham, B21 9PR  
or

Bank Transfer – The Co-operative Bank  
Name of account – Arya Samaj (Vedic Mission)  
West Midlands

Account number – 65839135 Sort Code – 08.92.99

## **Fee for services provided by Arya Samaj West Midlands**

- Ordinary membership fee is £20 for 12 months.
- Renewal for ordinary members of ASWM will get reminder letter for their membership fee of £20 each year.
- Matrimonial Service - £90 for 12 months
- Hire of our hall –
  - Maharshi Dayanand Hall - £500 for 4 hours & £100 hourly.
  - Swami Shraddhanand Hall - £400 for 4 hours & £50 hourly.

## **Donations to Arya Samaj for Priest Service.**

- Marriage Ceremony performed by our priest - £400.
- Havan performed at home by our priest –
  - Birmingham and Surrounding Areas - £51
  - 12 Miles Outside of Birmingham - £101
- Cremation & Shanti Havan performed by our priest –
  - Birmingham and Surrounding Areas - £150
  - 12 Miles Outside of Birmingham - £200
  - Shanti Havan at Arya Samaj after cremation - £100

**Festivals Information**  
**In Our Bhavan**

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**Car owners can safely park their cars on Rookery**  
**Road where there is SINGLE YELLOW LINE.**

**73<sup>rd</sup> Independence Day of India Celebrations**

Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> August 2019

11am Havan, 12pm to 1.30pm Celebrations and there after  
Rishi Langer.

(Event will be recorded by Aastha TV Channel)

**Ved Katha on Vedo Mei Vigyan - (Science in Vedas)**

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> August to Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> August 2019.

Every evening from 7.00pm to 9.00pm.

(No Ved Katha on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> August 2019)

**Raksha bandhan**

Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> August 2019

**Shri Krishna Janmashtami**

Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> August September 2019

**Gayatri Maha Yajna**

Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2019

Havan starts at 11am and finish about 1pm followed by  
Rishi Langer

(Event will be recorded by Aastha TV Channel)

**We invite people to get in touch with our Acharya ji in  
order to book a place for being Yajman on that day.**