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Regulations for visiting school parties.

As a Buddhist temple with an interest in offering our services to the local community we've been opening our doors to school parties for many years. Whilst school visits, for the most part, are quiet and well organized affairs, we do understand that children can sometimes become a bit rowdy and get over-excited on such excursions. Although we're more than happy to accommodate school trips, give talks and answer questions, we have found, on occasion, that un-supervised schoolchildren have left both litter and mess and even damaged temple property. As such, we'd very much appreciate it if you, as heads of your respective groups, could make allowances for the following:

- When children are given the opportunity to have a bathroom break, please ensure that there is an adult there to supervise.
- When leaving the bathrooms, please ensure that all the taps are turned off and the bathrooms are left in as clean a manner as is possible.
- Any accidental breakages should be mentioned to a member of the temple
- Please make sure that there is an adult supervising any groups of children who are near the large temple pond.
- Noise levels should please be kept to a minimum. Please be aware that this is an active place of worship for the local Buddhist community and is completely surrounded by other private properties, whose residents appreciate low noise levels.
- Please be aware of any litter which is dropped by the group and make sure it is cleaned up.
- When entering the main temple and house we remove our shoes as a sign of respect and as an act of practical cleanliness. This is an old Asian custom and although we're in the UK, we'd ask if you could please make sure your groups are aware of this.

We very much appreciate your co-operation and hope that you'll enjoy your visit to see us.