

Group visits to Manchester Buddhist Centre

"The Centre made a deep impression on the students - as I knew it would. I suspect the ripples will continue into their adult lives."

Teacher



**Manchester
Buddhist
Centre**



Manchester Buddhist Centre welcomes booked visits from groups of all ages. Over 2000 students visit us each year, from primary and secondary schools, universities and colleges and other community and faith groups.

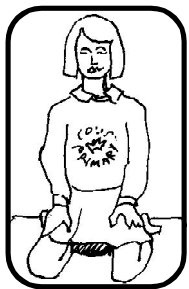
A derelict Victorian warehouse beautifully converted by Buddhist volunteers, the Centre opened in 1996. It houses a resident community, as well as the popular Bodywise Natural Health Centre and Earth Vegetarian Cafe. It's also home to the Clear Vision Trust, a charity making award-winning Buddhist teaching materials for the classroom and providing INSET for teachers.

Content, length, cost

Visits are tailored to your requirements and can be any length from 1.5 hours upwards. (See Group Visit Costs pdf.)

A typical visit features:

- an experienced Buddhist tutor
- an introduction to the Centre and its activities
- in the shrine room, lively discussion, Q&A.
- guided meditation or "stilling"
- a visit to our gift shop (optional)



"We meditated for about 10 minutes. It was fantastic... the longest time I've ever stayed still and quiet."
Yr 4 pupil

Free support materials

For information sheets for KS2 and 3, please see the webpage on which you found this document. You will also find a huge range of audio-visual classroom resources for Buddhism, and free student information pages. www.clear-vision.org

Who we are

Manchester Buddhist Centre is run by the Triratna Buddhist Order and Community (previously known as the F/WBO), a worldwide movement founded in London by Sangharakshita, an English Buddhist, in 1967. Among the many forms of Buddhism in Britain today, Triratna is characterised by its attempt to develop a modern Western expression of the Buddha's teachings.

The Clear Vision Trust is a charity associated with Triratna. It runs the school visits service for the MBC, makes DVD and online interactive materials for Buddhism for KS1-5, as well as, posters, artefacts and INSET to support teaching of Buddhism up to A Level.

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Group size

Maximum group size 45. There is no minimum but we operate minimum charges. (See Group Visit Costs pdf.)

Photographs

You are welcome to take photographs anywhere but not during the meditation/stilling exercise.

Dress

There are no clothing restrictions. We ask you to remove your shoes to enter the shrine room unless disability prevents this.



Lunch

We regret we do **not** have a sandwich area. Groups of up to about 15 may use Earth Cafe. **Please book! 0161 834 1996.**

Other places to visit

There are 19 Buddhist groups in Greater Manchester! The Chinese Arts Centre, Cathedral and Muslim Youth Foundation's mosque are all within walking distance of us. For information on these, see the webpage on which you found this document, at www.clear-vision.org

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