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Welcome to this latest edition of the newsletter and updates regarding forth coming events. It was great to see and meet so many of you at our Diwali meeting and we hope you enjoyed the event. On behalf of the Committee and Trustees, we hope you had a restful and enjoyable Xmas with family and friends and a wonderful New Year's celebration. We wish all our members and your families the very best for the year ahead.

The Committee and Trustees are happy and proud to welcome as new members to the Committee, **Nandik Barbhaiya** and **Kalpana Bosamia**. We are extremely grateful and fortunate to have them on board and are confident you as members will also benefit greatly as a result. Contact details of all committee members and Trustees should you wish to reach out are available on our website and on each newsletter and flyer.

### Forth coming events:

The Committee have had fruitful meetings over last few months and decided to start making some small changes as you will see below.

#### Bhajan – Sangeet Sandhya and Bhojan:

Each year we host a day of prayers and Bhajans to remember, honour and celebrate lives of members our community and/or relations who are sadly no longer with us.

Date: **Saturday 22nd March**

Venue: Arya Samaj Hall,  
69A Argyle Rd, West Ealing, London W13 0LY

Time: 05.00pm to 06.00pm Havan performed by Shastriji of Arya Samaj  
06.00pm to 07.30pm Light meal / snacks  
07.30pm to 10.30pm Bhajans /Sangeet by music group.

This event is open to all members, family and friends and we sincerely hope to see as many of you as possible. Please note that there will be a havan performed earlier so if you wish to take part, please be punctual.

#### BMUK General Meeting:

As an interim meeting, there will be just a get together general meeting so we can meet more often and mingle over lunch and as an opportunity to plan ahead for other fresh events. We hope this idea will appeal to those perhaps unable to attend the Diwali /AGM meeting usually held in November for various reasons.

Our next meeting open to all members and family is scheduled for:

Date: **Sunday 6th July**

Time 12.30pm to 6:00 with lunch provided.

Venue: Blue Room Banqueting and Sport Venue  
220 Headstone Lane, Harrow. HA2 6LY

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### **Picnic in Park:**

A good occasion to be gather and still enjoy the summer. We could play games and have wonderful outdoor.

Date: Sunday: 24<sup>th</sup> August

Venue: To Be Decided, Most likely, Central London.

Any suggestions are welcome.

### **Navratri:**

Our annual Navratri celebrations event will be held as per usual at the same venue as before with live music. We hope all of you will participate in this colourful celebration and if you wish to bring friends that's fine – the more the merrier!

Date: Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> September

Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> October (Sharad Poonam)

Venue: Arya Samaj Hall,  
69A Argyle Rd, West Ealing, London W13 0LY

Time 06.30pm to 08.00pm Light snacks

08.00pm to 10.30pm Garba/ Raas

Please remember that dress code for Sharad Poonam should be white (if you can manage) and to bring your own dandiya so as not to be disappointed as we only have limited supplies on first come first serve basis.

Aarti thali will be available at the venue for a contribution of £11 per thali. Or if you wish, do bring your own highly decorative thali for aarti.

Please be punctual so we can make the most of the limited time we will have.

### **Diwali: Meet and Greet**

This year's Diwali meet and greet will have a different format and venue with further details to be announced very soon so keep an eye out and on our website. We would welcome suggestions from members for this meeting so please do reach out to Committee members. **Whilst venue and format are still tentative, but do remember to save the date**

Date: Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> November

Time 12.30pm to 6:00 with snacks provided.

Venue: To be Decided

Thank you to those members who have made efforts to keep their subscriptions up to date. We will of course be collecting subscriptions at the Diwali meeting for the forth coming year of 2026 and any arrears that may be outstanding. If you prefer to save time, we are continuing to collect subscriptions online for those who prefer this method. The process for online payment is easy: Go to the BMUK Website ([www.bmuk.org](http://www.bmuk.org)) and click on tab that says "Subscriptions", enter any details requested and pay! This system can also be used for donations and ticketed events as required.

### **Sponsorship**

If you would like to sponsor/ contribute to any event of part of it (e.g., lunch), or even a general donation please contact a member of the Committee. Your donations will be gratefully received.

We look forward to welcoming all of you to these events and more over near future.

### **— — OBITUARY — —**

With regret, we inform you that we have lost our pioneering founding member of BMUK.

**Mrs. Bhagirthiben Ramanlal Kshatri** passed away peacefully on Thursday 20th February 2025  
with family on her side.

She will be dearly missed by all at BMUK and who know her.