

We've been having difficulty sending our weekly email announcements mail-out. Here's some information about the events in the immediate future. We'll update with more when we can so please keep checking the website for events.

Dharma Day Festival!

Dharma Day is the second of the three major Buddhist festivals of the year. It marks the momentous occasion when the Buddha first taught, setting in motion the great wheel of the Dharma. We'll be celebrating at the Birmingham Buddhist Centre **this Sunday, July 17th from 10am - 5.30 pm**, all welcome.

As well as meditation and the opportunity for creating sand mandalas, Kalyanaprabha will be evoking the significance of the day in a talk. We'll conclude with a festive puja when six people will mark their decision to practise as Buddhists within the Triratna community through the simple but very meaningful mitra ceremony. We hope many Order members and mitras and friends will be there to welcome **Kara Moses, Sheena Peters, Anne Marie Allen, Sharon Halleron-Kerr, Bernadette Piggott and Ellie Williams** as new mitras.

Programme:

10am	Doors Open
10.30am	Meditation
11.30am	Tea
11.45am	Sand art or meditation
1pm	Lunch (Please bring vegetarian lunch to share)
2pm	Talk 'Lovely in the beginning, lovely in the middle and lovely at the end' by Kalyanaprabha
4pm	Puja with Mitra ceremonies
5.30pm	Finish

Also this weekend:

'The Edwardian Cello' concert, Friday 15th July 7.30pm prompt (Padmakumara would like a little help with this if possible – call him on 0121 449 5279 if you would like to)

Centre Open Day, Saturday 16th July, 2-5pm