

# Staffordshire Newsletter

## Mum helps to bridge the cultural divide

AN URBAN Indian dancing was the lesson of the day at a Hixon school where pupils were given a chance to experience a different culture.

Dr Chithra Ramakrishnan, a parent at St Peter's Primary, visited the school last week to teach Bharatnatyam, a classic dance of India.

It is hoped the workshop can become a regular event for parents and pupils after it proved to be a success.

Headteacher Sally Wilmet said: "I was delighted when Dr Ramakrishnan contacted me and had no hesitation in arranging for our children to experience this wonderful form of the expressive arts."

"Every pupil in the school was able to take part and they thoroughly enjoyed the experience. For our children to be involved first hand in another culture has really enriched their learning."



**DANCING**  
DOC: Dr Chithra Ramakrishnan, Lili McMahon, nine, and Sruthi Ramakrishnan, five. Jon Thorpe