

## **Hindu Temple of Central Indiana Balagokulam Field Trip to Fair Oaks Dairy Farm**

On November 9, 2008, HTCI's Balagokulam conducted a field trip to Fair Oaks Dairy Farm in Northern Indiana (2 hours from Indianapolis). The all day event (8:30 am to 5pm) consisted of a group of parents driving mini vans filled with approximately 20 Balagokulam children to the farm. The theme of the field trip was "Cow Sewa." The children got the opportunity to see the importance of cows and the benefits they provide.

In addition, they were able to take a tour of the farm which illustrated the cow milking process, birthing of calves, and watching how cheese and milk is made. The children were quite impressed seeing how well the Farm takes care of their 30,000 cows. They also participated in fun activities such as watching a 4-D movie, cow-culus Class, and an interactive game station. Parents and teachers also attended the trip and enjoyed it along with the children. Overall, it was enjoyed by all and worthwhile field trip.