

Dear Respected Parent/Guardian Assalaamu alaikum - Peace be with you 16<sup>th</sup> March 2022

# Pre-Ramadhaan launch

We pray and hope that you and your family are in good health, Insha-Allah (God willing).

As we prepare for the Holy and Blessed month of Ramadhan, we pray that it brings love, affection, unity, and prosperity for all of us, Ameen.

This year the majority of Ramadhan will be during the Easter Holidays. This will not give us considerable time to engage our pupils in spiritual development within the school.

Therefore, we are delighted to inform you that we will be having a packed month of March dedicated to a Pre-Ramadhan programme, in which pupils can attend lunchtime or after school enrichment clubs. In addition to this, on Wednesdays during PM registration time, we will be dedicating the sessions to the preparation of Ramadhan.

During Ramadhan we will have additional activities, Insha-Allah (God willing). We would like to share with you the activities that will be taking place below:

## Faith activities Pre-Ramadhan

- Study of Shamaail Mohammadiyyah. This will give pupils the chance to explore the lifestyle of our Beloved Prophet (Peace be upon Him)
- Ramadhan Journal. To keep track of their spiritual development during the Month of Ramadhan. It is important to assess our daily routine
- Ramadhan Art & Crafts. Decorating artefacts with the Ramadhan theme
- Figh of Ramadhan. This will help pupils to understand the Do's and Don'ts of fasting
- Display Board competition for Year 7 & Year 8 with the Ramadhan theme. Prize to first, second and third place will be awarded
- Pupil assembly about Ramadhan

## Form time and other activities

- World Book Week: We will be focusing on the Holy Book The Quran. To bring awareness of the connection of the Quran with Ramadhan
- Spirituality day: On this day we will have lessons about Fasting, its benefits and healthy diets

## Faith activities during Ramadhan

- Study of Shamaail Mohammadiyyah. This will give pupils the chance to explore the lifestyle of our Beloved Prophet (Peace be upon Him)
- Stories from the Quran. We will be choosing inspirational and motivational stories from the Quran to share with our pupils
- Pupil assembly about Ramadhan
- A special Ramadhan Challenge during the holy month

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- Quiz on the 99 Names of Allah
- Activities for Eid-UI-Fitr, which marks the end of Ramadhan
- Fundraising for charity: We will be asking each student who is fasting to consider offering their lunch money to charity each day. Further details will be provided mid-March
- Eid Gift for class peers: We are encouraging pupils to exchange Eid-Gifts after Ramadhan. The value of the item should not exceed £5. Pupils will be able to opt out.

#### **Eid Programme**

We will be holding an Eid day party in the school on **Friday 6<sup>th</sup> May 2022**. More information will follow.

#### **Charity programme**

In addition to the daily acts of donating lunch money (outlined above), we will also have an official Ramadhan Charity Programme to raise funds for our Trust Charity – Shine. You can see the projects and work that our charity is contributing towards by clicking <u>here</u>.

We have set a target of a minimum £25 per pupil to fundraise during Ramadhan. The deadline for all ParentPay donations is **Monday 25<sup>th</sup> April**. Further details provided on the attached letter from our CEO, Sir (Mufti) Hamid Patel CBE.

Ramadhan is a time to be grateful for the countless bounties with which we have been bestowed. It is a time for giving and gaining extra reward as each good action is multiplied during this noble month. It is also an opportunity to remember those in our communities and around the world who are in great need and are not as fortunate as ourselves.

We hope that you will encourage your daughter to participate in these activities fully. Thank you for your vital support with this – we sincerely appreciate it.

We pray that you all will have a wonderful Ramadhan.

Please keep us and the school in your blessed prayers.

Yours sincerely,

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