

THE ECCLESBOURNE SCHOOL

'Learning Together For The Future'



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FAO: Parents / Carers of students who will be participating in Ramadan 2023

Dear Parents / Carers

With Ramadan beginning on the evening of 22nd March 2023, I wanted to write to you to let you know of the support that will be available to your son/daughter.

We know that this is a profoundly spiritual experience which unites Muslims around the world but can present challenges in non-Muslim majority countries. The School will allocate a space for students to pray; staff will be made aware of when students will be fasting, and be asked to show increased patience and empathy for young people who may find themselves becoming tired during the school day. In addition, non-Muslim students will be encouraged to support their peers through our messaging during assemblies.

The space that we allocate for prayer and reflection will depend on the number of students who wish to use it. If you could drop me an email to let me know if your son/daughter will be utilising this facility. I will then let them know where in the school we have dedicated for this. My email address is

<u>hgreen@ecclesbourne.derbyshire.sch.uk</u>. Can I ask that if you wish for your child to not participate in PE during this time that you let me know of that as well. In those cases, students will work in the Sports Hall doing work on their laptops or may go to the Library.

For those to whom it is relevant, can I take this opportunity to wish you Ramadan Murabak.

Yours sincerely

Helen Green

Assistant Head: Diversity, Equality and Inclusion