

THE ECCLESBOURNE SCHOOL

'Learning Together For The Future'

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FAO: Parents / Carers of students who will be participating in Ramadan (beginning the evening of Friday 28th February 2025)

Dear Parents / Carers,

With Ramadan on the horizon, I wanted to remind existing parents and inform new parents of the support that will be available to your son/daughter.

As a period of fasting, reflection and prayer we know that this month can present challenges for our Muslim students when they are going about their day-to-day business at school. We will allocate a space for students to pray – this will be one of the small classrooms in L Block which has wash facilities close by. As has happened in previous years, boys and girls will be able to use that room separately.

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. It may be that you wish to remove your child from practical PE lessons. If that is the case, please get in touch with the Head of PE, Mr Quail (oquail@ecclesbourne.derbyshire.sch.uk).

As always, our non-Muslim students will be encouraged to support their peers and they will be reminded of the purpose of the fast through an assembly which will be delivered to all year groups.

If you have any other requests regarding how we can provide further support, do let me know. My email address is: hgreen@ecclesbourne.derbyshire.sch.uk

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

Yours sincerely,

Helen Green

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