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Dear Parents/Carers,

# RE: Ramadan structure of the day

Assalamu Alaikom.

I hope this email finds you in good health and strong Imaan.

I am writing to remind you of the changes to the timing of the school day during Ramadan.

This year the beginning of Ramadan is expected to fall on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> or Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> March. The Ramadan timetable will start on Monday 11th March.

# **Office Opening Times**

The school MMPS office will be open from 7:30am until 3:45pm every day.

## **Breakfast Club**

**7:30 am**: Breakfast club will be as usual and parents are asked to accompany their child/ren to the school reception area.

## **Early Provision**

Drop off: 8:15am - 8:30am

Early provision will be in place for working parents who are not able to drop off their children at the later Ramadan starting time.

Children can be dropped off between 8:15 am to 8:30 am via the MMPS gate where staff on duty will register them.

## Ramadan Timing

**9:20 – 9:30am** Arrival of children who do not need the early provision. Access to school via MMPS gate.

School will close at the usual time of 3:00pm.

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# **Fasting Children**

From past experience we have found that many of our older pupils are very keen to fast. However, we do advise parents to send in an 'emergency lunch box' just in case.

We don't expect our younger pupils to fast but will allow Key Stage 2 pupils (Yr 3- Yr 6) to make the decision not to have their lunch and to fast until the end of the school day. Therefore, if a parent does not want their child to fast, it is imperative that they let school know via phone call to admin in the morning to avoid situations arising in which children claim to be fasting and may not have parental permission to do so.

Equally, should a fasting pupil feel unwell, they will be encouraged by staff to break their fast.

Please note that, although the school recognises the importance of providing opportunities for pupils to fast, parents must ensure their child is only fasting if they can manage it during school time. The days are still lengthy for a child.

## KS1 Mini fast

Our younger pupils are usually very keen to join in the fasting experience and can therefore participate in a Jummah (Friday) mini fast.

They are asked to bring in their fruit and a date on a Friday. They will break their fast in the class-room before lunchtime. (11:30am).

## **Final reminder**

There are no after school clubs or school lunches from Monday 11<sup>th</sup> March.

We wish all our parents and children a blessed month of Ramadan.

Jazak' Allah khair,

Kind regards

Wasalaam

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