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Dear Parent

Re: Ramadan – the month of fasting

I am aware that you and your family may be celebrating Ramadan from next week, and of course the school will make every effort to meet the needs of Muslim pupils.

In the past, during Ramadan, teaching has been made very difficult because children have been inconsistent in choosing what they do or do not do in school. I am sure you can understand the problems this causes teachers. In order to run the school effectively and teach in accordance with the National Curriculum, I am asking that those parents who want their children to fast or withdraw from an activity in school inform me in writing in order that we can decide what arrangements may need to be made. If your child has school meals, could you please inform us in advance which days your child will be fasting so that the kitchen can make appropriate arrangements.

Many of our children who do fast often come to the office during the day feeling ill. From a health and safety point of view, we are not in a position to assist the children and so when this happens we will contact you immediately in order that you can collect them from school and take them home.

If we do not receive your written instructions, we will take this to mean that you wish your child to be included in all school activities. If you need to discuss any concerns with me, I will be very pleased to see you. Thank you for your co-operation.

We strongly suggest that Year 6 pupils do not fast during the week of their SATs exams from 13th to 16th May.

Finally, on behalf of the school may I wish you and your family a peaceful and blessed month and a very happy Eid-al-Fitr.

Yours sincerely

Mr P McEntee
Headteacher

