



22<sup>nd</sup> February 2024

Dear Parents and Carers

### Ramadan 2024 and Wider Curriculum

At Swanshurst, student leadership is a significant part of school life; supporting pupils to grow into future leaders in their adult lives. Many of the events in our calendar are organised by our superb student leadership team. As Ramadan 2024 approaches, we would like to invite pupils to one of these student-led events which brings everyone in our community together. This year, the event is an opportunity to reflect on more than one event in the faith calendars of our diverse community.

We are pleased to announce that we will again be hosting the 'Annual Grand Iftar' on **Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March 2024 from 6-7.30pm**. The evening will allow students and staff to open their fast together as well as invite anyone who wishes to experience Ramadan's importance as a community.

To attend the event, students and staff members will be able to purchase tickets through our Scopay system <https://www.scopay.com/landing.html>.

The cost of a ticket is £8 which enables the event to take place as well as generating a great deal of money for one of our school's chosen charities for 2023-2024. There will also be a bake sale and Mehndi stalls on the evening run by our Senior Prefects. If your child would like to purchase a cake or get Mendhi they will need to bring some additional change, to further support charity fundraising.

We really do hope as many pupils can attend as possible. The tickets will be sold as a first come first serve basis, with 500 tickets available in total. The closing date for tickets to be purchased is **3pm on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March**. This deadline is needed so we can confirm the order with our caterers and finalise the organisational aspects of the event.

As part of this month's reflection project students have been asked to express their thoughts on what Ramadan, Easter and Holi means to them. This will be done through using the reflection boards in Upper Foyer which aim to highlight important events and topics that students would like the opportunity to learn more about and/or explore further.

For students who are fasting during Ramadan, it is important that they continue with the full school routine and curriculum. To support pupils who are fasting, we will be making a few alterations during Ramadan 2024. In PE lessons our curriculum has been adapted in line with the AFPE (Association for Physical Education), so that during this time the physical intensity of lessons will be adjusted and if weather is warm, appropriate shade will be provided.

These changes will ensure that our broad and balanced curriculum can continue, and our pupils who are fasting will be able to participate accordingly.

If you have any further queries, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

Miss R Dyson  
Assistant Headteacher

Mr M Dunn  
Headteacher

### Swanshurst School

Brook Lane Billesley Birmingham B13 0TW

**Phone:** (0121) 464 2400

**Email:** [enquiry@swanshurst.org](mailto:enquiry@swanshurst.org)

**[www.swanshurst.org](http://www.swanshurst.org)**

Headteacher: [Mr. M. Dunn](#)