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Dear Parents/Carer

Ramadan 2019

Ramadan is expected to start in the evening on Sunday 5th May and end in the evening on Tuesday 4th June. This will overlap with the period of internal and external school exams for many pupils.

I am writing to ask you to let the school know if you son will be fasting during Ramadan so that we are aware and able to offer appropriate support as necessary. Please email the school at sknight@lrqs.org.uk

Ramadan and the normal school day.

During Ramadan the Chaplaincy Centre will be available as usual as a cool, quiet, food free place and IB5 will be available for pupils to pray at lunchtimes. We will also inform staff of students fasting so that, if necessary, they can make adjustments in lessons such as PE and Games.

During the revision period

Fasting and staying up late for prayers may affect concentration and academic performance. For students who are taking external examinations I would respectfully remind families that Islam does give allowances for pupils to break a fast, and make it up later, if they feel fasting may jeopardise their performance. Students who are unwell also have these exemptions.

In the Exam Room

In our exam rooms we will make sure that invigilators are briefed on how to respect a student's fast whilst also ensuring that students are carefully monitored and that rooms are cool and well ventilated.

Yours faithfully

Mr I Whitehouse
Second Master