

September 2023

Dear Parent/Carer

Year 8 Religious Education Trip to Islamic Exhibition Centre, Birmingham
Tuesday 17 October: 8E, 8R and 8S. Thursday 19 October: 8A and 8H. Thursday 26 October: 8C and 8G

As part of the **KS3 curriculum,** we are visiting the Islamic Exhibition Centre in Birmingham. Pupils will explore the five pillars of Islam, family life and Islam's contribution to the West. It is very important that your child attends this trip.

The date your child attends the trip is dependent on their teaching group. You will see their date when paying via ParentPay. On the day of the trip pupils must arrive to school at the normal time of 8.40am. We will travel by coach from Hall Green Library at 9.10am and will arrive back to school by 1pm, in time for Form time, lunch and Period 5 in the afternoon. Pupils will need to bring a drink and snack to be eaten during break time at the Islamic Centre. Full school uniform must be worn.

Entry to the Islamic Centre is free of charge, but we require a payment of £7.00 (non-refundable) for return coach travel. Please pay via ParentPay and the deadline to pay is **MONDAY 2 OCTOBER**. In exceptional circumstances, if you do not have access to the internet, you can request a barcode from school to enable you to pay in a shop that offers PayPoint.

It is **ESSENTIAL** that all payment deadlines are adhered to; **any student that has not paid by this date will not be permitted to participate in this trip.** Deadlines are set to ensure the school can make payments to the organising company in advance of the trip taking place. **Payment also signifies parental permission for the pupil to attend the trip.** If your child is eligible for the Pupil Premium we may be able to help meet part of the cost of this trip. If financial help is required, please contact Mrs Dickerson via the usual school number.

The trip is offered to all students, and during trips and visits members of the public often comment on the good behaviour of our pupils and how they are ambassadors for our school. However, if your child fails to meet the school's Expectations for Learning, displays unacceptable behaviour in or out of school, or shows a poor attitude towards staff, the privilege of attending may be revoked at any time at the Head teacher's discretion. Should this happen, your child's Head of House will contact you to discuss this further. No refund of any monies paid will be made and your child must attend school as usual, on the day.

IMPORTANT: We will use the emergency contact details and medical records for your child that we currently hold on file. If there have been any recent changes to either of these, please inform the school as soon as possible.

Yours sincerely,
Mr Rizwan - Head of RE

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