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Dear Parent/Carers

## RAMADAN – Thursday 23 March to Friday 21 April 2023

I am writing to you with information about the arrangements in place at BFS for students who are observing the month of Ramadan.

As part of our commitments to including all members of our community and to celebrating the diversity of the BFS family, we are pleased to provide Muslim students and staff with a space for prayer afterschool during the month of Ramadan.

- The Prayer Room will be in Room DF14. Student washing facilities are available opposite the room.
- It will be open between 3.00pm and 3.45pm each day from Thursday 23 March to Friday 21 April.
- A member of staff will be available to support students and to ensure that the space is calm.

Since the Zuhr prayer begins at the end of one of our lunch breaks (both before and after Daylight Saving Time is applied), it will not be possible for us to provide a space for students to pray during lunch as they would miss a significant part of their Period 5 lesson. The Zuhr prayer can be completed afterschool as the Asr prayer will not begin until 3.35pm at the earliest.

We will also have a charity box available for students who wish to give sadaqah to our House Charities.

All students at BFS have also had a recent assembly during which we discussed Ramadan and its importance to Muslims.

If you would like to discuss the school's support for your child during Ramadan, please email Mr Smith via the school email address: admin@bristolfreeschool.org.uk.

Yours sincerely

Mr D East

**Deputy Headteacher** 

