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Dear Parents/Carers

RAMADAN 2024

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 CF28. Student washing facilities are available near the room.
- It will be open between 3.00pm and 3.30pm each day from Friday 11 March until the end of term.
- A member of staff will be available to support students and to ensure that the space is calm.

If students would like to access this facility, they should ask their tutor to let Mr Smith know, so that we know how many students to expect.

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 3.26pm at the earliest. These timings have been taken from the Islamic Relief timetable for Bristol.

All students at BFS will also have information through their tutor programme which discusses 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 K Smith

Assistant Headteacher and Teacher of RP

