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Dear Parents and Carers,

I am writing to inform you that on **Monday 23rd February**, the first day back after the February half-term break, we will be welcoming visitors from **Jamia Gillingham Mosque** into school to lead assemblies for our pupils.

The visitors will be talking to the children about Ramadan in a child-friendly and age-appropriate way. Ramadan is a special and important month for Muslims, when they spend time focusing on kindness, self-discipline, prayer and helping others. Many Muslims fast during daylight hours as part of this time, and families come together to reflect on their faith and values.

As part of the assemblies, the visitors will also demonstrate how Muslims pray, helping children to better understand this important part of Muslim daily life. There will be an opportunity for our Muslim pupils to participate if they wish.

At Barnsole Primary School, we are proud of the rich diversity of our school community. Events such as these help children learn about and respect different beliefs, cultures and traditions, supporting our wider work on understanding, inclusion and mutual respect.

Parents and carers are very welcome to attend these assemblies and join the children. The assemblies will take place on Monday morning as follows:

- **Year 3 & Year 4:** 9:10am – 9:30am (Junior Site)
- **Year 5 & Year 6:** 9:40am – 10:00am (Junior Site)
- **Reception, Year 1 & Year 2:** 10:15am – 10:30am

Thank you for your continued support. We look forward to sharing this valuable learning experience with the children and our wider school community.

Yours sincerely,

Mr J Smales
Headteacher

