



1 April 2021

Dear Parents/Carers & Students,

Ramadan begins in the second week of the holidays and when we return, we would like to invite our whole school community to share the Iftar experience online. The event will be held on Wednesday 28 April, beginning at 7pm and ending just after sunset (8.29pm). Ismaeel Akram, a former Bristol Cathedral Choir School student and Project Manager of the Community Iftar Project, will be joined by guest speakers, discussing the topic of Ramadan around the World. During the event you will be able to use the Q&A function to send in questions that the speakers will answer. The event will be closed with a live call to prayer.

We are very lucky to be able to hold this as a joint event with Bristol Cathedral Choir School and Trinity Academy. This year staff, students and parents/carers from Bristol Brunel Academy will be joining us. The Iftar is free and open to all St Katherine's students and families of all faiths and none. This is the fifth anniversary of the event and it will be the second time that St Katherine's has taken part - we very much hope that by next year, we'll be able to enjoy this event in person!

Should you like to join us, please complete this Google Form. You will be asked to include the email address of the student who attends St Katherine's so that the web link for the event can be sent to them for you to access. You will be able to indicate if you would like to pre-order Iftar meals for your family. The meals are being prepared by Bristol Sweet Mart on St Marks Road in Easton: details of how and when to collect your meals will be provided after the holidays. Please complete the Google Form by no later than Tuesday 20 April. Please also note that CST cannot accept responsibility for any of the food that is being prepared; this is to be enjoyed at your own risk.

Over the past year, the importance of community has resonated more than ever. We would like to celebrate our community by collecting Ramadan recipes from our community to collate into a cookbook. If you would like to share a favourite recipe, please make yourself a copy of this template, fill in your details and share it with jeffersonj@skdrive.org and benchamas@skdrive.org.

We hope to see you at the virtual Iftar. If you have any additional questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Ramadan Kareem

Yours sincerely

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