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Dear Woodberry Down Families,

**Re: Eid Celebrations and Authorised Absence**

As we approach the end of Ramadan, I would like to take this opportunity to extend my warmest wishes to all of our Muslim families who will be celebrating Eid next week. When the time comes, I wish you and your families a very happy and peaceful Eid Mubarak.

We understand that Eid may fall on either Thursday 19th March or Friday 20th March this year. The school will authorise absence for pupils who are celebrating Eid with their families on whichever day the celebration takes place.

If your child will be absent from school to celebrate Eid, please inform the school office in the usual way.

While we are happy to authorise absence for the day, we kindly ask that families avoid bringing children to school in the morning and collecting them at lunchtime. Due to the number of staff who will also be celebrating with their families, we will not have the capacity to collect children from classrooms or the playground during the school day.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

The children will also have an opportunity to celebrate the end of Ramadan and Eid together in school. On Tuesday 24th March we will be sharing a special lunch so that pupils can come together and recognise this important occasion.

Once again, Eid Mubarak to all who will be celebrating.

Kind regards,

Derek Hewie  
Headteacher