



Lydgate Junior School

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Dear Parent/Carer

Y5 EID Festival Day

Y5 will be taking part in a special **Eid Festival Day** on **Thursday April 18th**. It will be a whole day of activities, culminating in an Eid feast of authentic finger foods, made by our Lydgate Junior School community of mothers. Our parental community has links with Egypt, Syria, Libya, Mauritius, Turkey, Morocco, Yemen, Jordan, Somalia, Bahrain, Iraq and Pakistan and we are very lucky to have great team of helpers that have volunteered to support this day and help run activities.

As part of the Eid day and as a **Rights Respecting School**, Year 5 will be raising money to support a charity called Families for Relief. We hope to raise money by:

- **Donating bags of used clothes** to areas in desperate need. Bags of clothes and shoes can be brought into school on Thursday morning to be collected and sent to countries in crisis.
- **Giving a pound** to wear 'best' clothes to celebrate Eid which is traditional for Eid celebrations and **50p** for the decorated cookie. We are very grateful to Taylor Shaw (our school meal provider) who have kindly supported the pupils in providing us with the cookies.

On the day itself, the children will listen to a presentation by Mr Gooljar who is an ex Lydgate Junior parent who runs the charity, Families Relief in Sheffield and has been part of inter-faith work in Sheffield for many years.

If any parents want to contribute to the food and volunteer to help on the day please let the class teacher know.

We already have a list of pupils with allergies in school, however, if any parents have any concerns regarding any of the foods which the children will be trying, please contact the school office via the email address below. *All foods brought in will have an ingredients list.*

We will also have a henna tattoo station (children will only receive a very small henna tattoo on one finger). If you **do NOT want your child to have henna**, please email enquiries@lydgate-jun.sheffield.sch.uk before **Tuesday 16 April**.

Yours sincerely,

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