



**Hazel Wood**  
High School

Respect Responsibility Aspiration

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> November 2024

Dear Parent/Guardian,

**Re: Eid al-Fitr Religious Observance**

I am writing to you in order to inform you of a change to the school calendar for this academic year in relation to the scheduled Staff Training Day in January 2025.

At Hazel Wood, we place great importance on considering the religious and cultural needs of our students, staff and the local school community. As such, we are keen to ensure children and adults from different faith backgrounds are able to celebrate religious festivals at the appropriate time they occur throughout the school year.

Therefore, and following consultation with staff and student groups, we have made the decision to move the Staff Training Day scheduled for Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2025 to **Monday 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025**, which coincides with Eid al-Fitr. We have been unable to accommodate a date in line with Eid al-Adha this academic year due to GCSE examinations but will look to hold a staff training day in line with this in 2026.

This means that your child will be expected to return from the Christmas break for a normal school day on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2025 and will not be required to attend school on Monday 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025 as this will be a school holiday.

Kind Regards,

Mr. P Greenhalgh  
**Headteacher**

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