

# SMKS Newsletter



*Ass-salāmu `alaykum wa rahmatu l-lāhī wa barakātuh, my dear respected elders, mothers, brothers, sisters and not forgetting the younger members of our community*

**March 2022**

**Sha'ban 1443**

**Issue 015**

## Our Vision Statement

**We have spent some time debating what our community's common vision should be and consider the following to be our vision;**

- to enhance the quality of life in our community through individual, family and community services which promote respect, understanding and cooperation while working to eradicate all forms of discrimination

- to restore and empower the youth to become responsible citizens with distinguished moral principles and leaders of our community while providing them with Islamic principles through enriched education, knowledge and skills for community service projects

- to inspire individuals to be involved in activities which develops social skills, discipline and manners that will nurture them through life

## Ramadhan Mubarak to you all

Ramadhan is soon upon us, and after the unsuspecting Covid-19 pandemic which hit the world all over back in 2020, we are at least in the UK seeing our everyday life returning to normal. During the difficult two years, where we were in either full or partial lockdown, life was disrupted beyond anyone's imagination.

Ramadhan and all the associated religious activities were challenging times during 2020 but did become easier last year.

As the President of our society, it gives me great comfort that we are able to start providing services back to our community now that all restrictions have been lifted. During this Ramadhan, we should remember in our dua's all those who are no longer with us (maybe victims of Covid-19) with special gratitude to those who are still with us.

Our volunteers will be out again delivering newsletters, collecting fees and any donations that you may wish to make.

## Programme for Ramadhan 2022

### Isha Salah -

Will commence from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2022, Subject to the moon sighting at SMKS, 127 Mere Road Leicester.

**Azaan - 9:20pm      Jamaat – 9:30pm**

Please note the times of Salah will be changing during the month of Ramadhan

### Taraweesh -

It is with great pride that we can confirm that the Huffaz leading Taraweesh this year are from our Khalifa Community and they have stepped up to perform Taraweesh prayers for the benefit of us all.

Programme		
Date	Timing	Topic
Sunday 3rd April 2022	12:00 – 1:00pm	Men's Programme, followed by Zuhr Salah
	2:30 onwards	Mothers & Sisters Programme
Sunday 10th April 2022	12:00 – 1:00pm	Men's Programme, followed by Zuhr Salah
	2:30 onwards	Mothers & Sisters Programme
Sunday 17th April 2022	12:00 – 1:00pm	Men's Programme, followed by Zuhr Salah
	2:30 onwards	Mothers & Sisters Programme
Sunday 24th April 2022	12:00 – 1:00pm	Men's Programme, followed by Zuhr Salah
	2:30 onwards	Mothers & Sisters Programme

**We hope that everyone will give their wholehearted support and full encouragement to all taking part**

## Fee's Payment

Your fees are more important this time, since lockdown our volunteers have not been able to visit you all due to Covid-19, so please when they do call, kindly get your fees up to date.

Why not pay your membership fees by Standing Order?

To set this up, ask for a Standing Order form from your local bank to make a Standing Order to:

Account to be credited:

Surati Muslim Khalifa Society

Bank/Branch address:

BARCLAY BANK PLC

Branch Sort Code:

20-49-11

Account Number:

80846252

Remember to include your membership number

## Keys Aspects of Ramadhan

### For Fasting;

- Stay away from all types of sins regardless of them being small or big, as these will either make a fast Makrooh or even make it void.
- Ensure all fasts are kept to the best of one's ability, this will ensure the most reward.
- Increase in all kinds of worship including all prayers are prayed on time, making Dua at a time where Dua's are regularly accepted and increase in one's tilawat of the Holy Qur'an.

### For Taraweeh;

- Praying taraweeh increases in reward and expiates sin as the prophet (Peace be upon Him) states in a saying: "Whoever stands in prayer during Ramadhan due to faith and seeking reward, his previous sins will be forgiven." Sahih al Bukhari and Sahih Muslim
- Praying in congregation is better than praying individually as the reward of it is increased as The Prophet lead the companions on several nights.

### For Eid-ul-Fitr;

- Making sure that ghusl is made before Eid Salaah and wearing the best **clothes one has, eating dates before going out to Eid Salaah as it is a Sunnah of The Prophet (Peace be upon Him),** going to the masjid in using one route and coming back via another.
- As stated in Surah al Baqarah 2:185 saying Takbeer on the day of Eid, this should be done from one's house to the masjid and back. Ensuring that Zakaat al-Fitr is given before Eid Salaah.
- Offering congratulations to each other and exchanging gifts, this was a custom of The Prophet (Peace be upon Him) and the companions.

## Ramadhan

Find all the words!

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SALAHAH  
SAUM  
SUNNAH  
TAKBEER  
TARAWEEH  
ZAKAT

## Word Search

Here's a simple word search for our younger members of the community.

Name:

Age:

Address1:

Address2:

Please cut out the word section and send your winning entries to SMKS, Leicester, 127 Mere Road, Leicester, LE5 5GQ

Closing Date: **27<sup>th</sup> April 2022** (25 Ramadhan 1443)

**A Islamic Establishment voucher to the handpicked winning entry**