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Dear Parents / Carers

Year 5 are visiting Hounslow Jamia Masjid Mosque as part of their RE topic on Islam.

The visit will take place in two groups on two different days.

On **Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March** – **Turtle Dove** and **Vulture** Classes

On **Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March** – **Mink** Class

The children will be accompanied by their teachers and some support staff from school. However, in order for the visits to go ahead, we will need a number of parent volunteers. If you are able to help please let your child's class teacher know.

The children will be using the experience to conclude their study of the Islamic faith this year. It will be interesting for them to see the mosque and to learn first-hand how Muslims worship. Some children will be familiar with this and will have their own personal experiences to share with us. Later in the year we will be comparing this to the way in which Christians worship.

The children will be walking to the mosque, so please ensure that they bring coats to school and are wearing sensible school shoes. They will be back at school in time for lunch.

Some information about the visit:

When entering a mosque, everyone is asked to take off their shoes and to cover their heads. The children and adults will be shown around the mosque and get to experience a prayer being read aloud, but no-one is expected to take part. In previous years this exciting and enriching trip has been enjoyed by all.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to ask your child's class teacher.

The Year 5 Team