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## Charity Programme 2023 (Ramadhaan 1444 AH)

Respected Parents / Guardians,

Assalaamu Alaikum (May peace be with you)

As you are aware, each year, our parents and pupils raise thousands of pounds for charity during the month of Ramadhaan. During the past year, conflict and suffering in several countries, compounded by natural disaster, means that our charitable giving is even more important than before.

I am writing with details of how your child and you can support vulnerable people through our annual Ramadhaan Giving Programme.

Ramadhaan is a month for giving and gaining extra, as the reward for each good action is multiplied. It is also an opportunity to remember those in our country and around the world whose lives are blighted by poverty, conflict, displacement and illness. The noble Prophet Muhammad (Peace Be Upon Him) said: "The best charity is given in Ramadhaan."

Last year, in partnership with each of Star Academies' Muslim Faith Schools, we raised over £172,000 for charity over Ramadhaan. Please find a summary overleaf of how this money has been used to support vulnerable people at home and abroad.

This year, we are working with Shine Charity once again to alleviate suffering in the UK and Syria.

## Project 1 – Supporting children and families in the UK (Lillah and Sadqah-e-Nafl)

Through this Ramadhaan Giving Programme, we will support each of the communities around our schools. This will provide food vouchers, food packs and hygiene kits to impoverished families.

## Project 2 – Supporting children and families in Syria (Lillah, Zakah and Sadaqah)

In Syria, the devastating earthquake in February 2023 compounded hardship for families who have endured civil war for several years. Aid has reached recipients in Turkey more easily than those in Syria, where the infrastructure has made it difficult for relief to be delivered. Through this Ramadhaan Giving Programme, we will fund a scheme to support Syrian families as they rebuild their homes and lives in the aftermath of natural disaster.

You can donate to each of these important projects through Parent Pay. Please donate generously – each pound is worth so much more during this auspicious month and this difficult time. Please note that 100% of your donation will go to the cause.

The deadline for donations on Parent Pay is Tuesday 25 April.





I pray that you are rewarded abundantly for your kindness and end this letter with a request for your prayers during the month of Ramadhaan for peace, comfort and harmony across our world.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Shazia Akram

Principal