

## OUR SCHOOLS



Staff including Slade Headteacher Jenny Maskell serve food.



The Iftar brought many members of the community together.

## Slade's first Iftar highlights fantastic community spirit

In a world that often seems divided, it is heartening to witness moments of unity and understanding which transcend cultural and religious boundaries.

Such an occasion occurred at Slade Primary School where pupils, parents, staff and members of the local community came together to celebrate the holy month of Ramadan with a joyous school Iftar - the first in the school's history.

The excellent community spirit was evident throughout the event, which not only fostered a sense of communal harmony but also highlighted the school's commitment to diversity, inclusivity and mutual respect.

Mohammed Minhas, a teaching assistant at Slade and proud member of the local community who led the organisation of the Iftar, was keen that all cultures were included and opened out the Iftar to all of the families at Slade.

Slade's Head of School Danny Jones said: "The hall was transformed into a vibrant and welcoming space for the Iftar celebration during which our families and staff could enjoy a wide range of food. Prayers were held in the school studio and were led by a parent of Slade.

**"The school Iftar at Slade Primary was a shining example of how a diverse community can come together in celebration and solidarity. It demonstrated the power of education in promoting empathy, understanding and respect for all.**

"By embracing diversity and fostering an inclusive environment, Slade continues to nurture future generations of compassionate individuals who will contribute positively to society.

"This memorable event will undoubtedly leave a lasting impact on the hearts and minds of those who participated, reminding all of the beauty of unity in our diverse world."

