

To Whom It May Concern:

As requested by many schools, this letter is to confirm the Islamic rulings regarding music and singing.

It is unlawful as a Muslim, male or female, child or adult, to listen to or take part in music and singing containing musical instruments. This is a unanimous ruling according to all schools of thought.

A Muslim can only sing in two required conditions:

1. The singing is not supported by musical instruments
2. The lyrics do not contain anything unlawful, vile, sexual, profane, blasphemous, rude or disrespectful to another person, religion or sect.

We request you respect the child's right to practice religion and if the above conditions of singing cannot be met then we urge you cater for the Muslim children by means of other activities or a separate session which abides by Islamic law.

Let us take this opportunity to remind you that if a child is forced to partake in any event against the rulings of their respective religion, action can be taken by U.K. law as guaranteed by Article 9 against the teacher in question and the school.

This letter is being written after children complained that their plea to not take part in singing as it is forbidden in Islam was brushed aside by the teacher by means of ridicule and with threats of detaining students during lunch or after school with detention.

Parent's consent:

I, the parent/guardian of _____ [child's name] do not wish my child to take part in singing or music that contains instruments.

Name: _____ Date: _____

Signature: _____

Islamic Organisation's Approval:

Name of Organisation: _____

Contact: _____ (tel, mobile, email or web)

A few sources for rulings and information:

www.muftisays.com (Muftisays - London)

www.daruliftaa.com (Darul Iftaa – Institute of Islamic Jurisprudence - Leicester)

www.askimam.org (Ask Imam – Zambia)

www.idauk.org (Islamic Da'wah Academy – Leicester)