



6<sup>th</sup> June 2023

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Dear Parents/Guardians of Students in Years 7-10 & 12

### **Celebrating Culture and Diversity Week 12<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup> June 2023**

We are delighted to advise you that next week we holding a culture and diversity week which has been planned in collaboration with our students and staff. As part of our inclusion and equality focus within school, this week will give us the opportunity to celebrate diversity and individuality which are embedded in all aspects of school life.

During the week we have arranged for activities, including:

- Author and writer Seth Burkett delivering an assembly
- Bhangra dancing
- Different continental themed school lunches
- Subject culture and diversity links within classes
- Workshops delivered by Solihull Cultural Educational Partnership
- Non-school uniform day on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> June

With regard to the non-school uniform day; the students can wear clothing to represent their culture, their heritage, their diversity - any colours that they feel represent them. For this, we would ask for a contribution of £2.00 per student and the monies raised will go to charities, chosen by the students. Please make your contributions via ParentPay – if you wish to contribute more, please feel free to do so. As always, please can you ensure your child's clothing/shoes are appropriate for a school setting.

The themed school lunches next week will be:

- Monday – Indian/South Asian
- Tuesday – Chinese/Thai
- Wednesday – African/Caribbean
- Thursday – European
- Friday – British

We are delighted that this celebration week will now be an annual event and we would welcome your suggestions regarding activities that could be included.

We very much hope the students enjoy the week and that the focus will further embed our ethos and values relating to culture and diversity.

Yours sincerely

**Mr Hooper**  
Deputy Headteacher

