

# Cultural Diversity Day, 18 June 2019



On **Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> June**, you are invited to attend our 4<sup>th</sup> annual Cultural Diversity Day. All three schools will once again be coming together to celebrate our internationalism and we hope that families and our community will join in the festivities. Our theme this year is:

## **Connections: How we develop our identity through cultural commonalities**

The morning will be inquiry-based with students in both the primary and middle school focused on activities related to our theme. This will be followed by a celebration of culture beginning with a parade and then an opportunity for the community to come together with music, dance and food. High School students will have normal classes until 12:15.

In preparation for the day, we would like to ask the primary and middle school students to participate in a **Cultural Heritage Scavenger Hunt!**

*The **cultural heritage scavenger hunt** should include the following:*

- 1) *The continents you and your family live/have lived on in terms of your cultural heritage?*
- 2) *Samples of visual patterns from any cultures that form your identity. (These can be found on cloth, ornaments, pictures, etc.)*
- 3) *Songs or music from any cultures that form your identity.*
- 4) *Words you use from any cultures you identify with that are important to you, or words you use for celebrations.*
- 5) *Colours that relate to any cultures that form your identity.*

Primary students, with the help of their parents, can collect and bring their cultural items to class in a bag or box. Middle school students may want to bring more of their items digitally with a photo collage. Scavenger Hunt items should be brought to class by Monday 17<sup>th</sup> June.

### National dress

All students are encouraged to bring flags and wear traditional costumes from their country if applicable.

### Food

Food is also always a popular option that students or families may wish to contribute for the day. Finger food would be most ideal and can be warmed in microwaves if necessary. Small donations will be taken for food and any donations raised as part of food sales will be donated to charity. We encourage every family to bring something to share. Please label the food: name of dish, country of origin, and ingredients in case of dietary restrictions—anything with nuts must be labelled clearly. Please also remember to put your names on your serving dishes.

### Cultural dance, music performances

We encourage families to share performances with the community if you are able. Traditional dance, music or song would be great additions to the festivities and can be shared on a stage in the oval during the celebration.

Parents and members of the community are most welcome to attend, assist and/or volunteer at the event alongside their children. If you wish to contribute in any way, please fill in the [Cultural Diversity Day – Volunteer and donation form](#). We will confirm your donation by Friday 14 June.

Please see a *preliminary* timeline for the day below:

Kl.0830 onwards	Food drop offs to the high school <i>kantine</i>  *please ensure names of food, country and student are clearly marked on the dish		
Approximate timings	<b>PS</b>	<b>MS</b>	<b>HS</b>
AM	PS students – inquiry into “developing identity through cultural commonalities” theme using their scavenger hunt items	MS students – individual inquiry into “developing identity through cultural commonalities” theme using their scavenger hunt items	regular classes in session
Lunch	Lunch in classrooms	students bring their own lunches. Kantine closed	
Kl 1300	Opening Ceremony, Parade		
Kl 13:45	Celebration of culture (food stands, dance presentations etc)		
Kl 1600	Event ends		
1600-1630	Event Clean up		