

9th April 2024

## Dear parents and guardians

I hope you are all well and had a restful Easter. I just wanted to contact you to remind you of our Culture Day that we are holding on Monday April 15th. We are looking forward to celebrating our second Culture Day at Redhill school following on from the success of last year. Our student team has been working hard planning the day and we have lots of brilliant activities planned for our students and staff. The day will start with an international breakfast for the whole school and will then revolve around assemblies and themed lessons based on different continents for different year groups. We have external speakers and workshops planned for the day and are excited to welcome Tok Ahmed who is the lead for the Princes Trust Global Diversity and Equality division to the school. We have a range of cultural activities for students to try at break time and the highlight will be the international food marketplace at lunchtime that is being held in our gym. All students are encouraged to attend in either their traditional dress representing their cultural heritage or wear the colours or flags of their country. We would like to take this opportunity to remind our students that dress should still be modest; clothing should not have inappropriate logos or emblems on them, and football shirts are not suitable for the day. Last year our students and staff looked fabulous, it was a real delight to see so many proudly wearing their traditional dress and countries flags and colours. We are sure it will be the same this year.

We are raising money for Childrens Aid and all donations towards food and activities in the marketplace will go towards that charity, so students need to make sure they bring some change with them on the day. We are very grateful to the parents and guardians who are supporting their children in making all the lovely food and to those of you who have volunteered your time on the day to come in and run stalls as well. If you are a parent or guardian who wishes to come in on the day to run stalls or are bringing deliveries of food for the lunchtime marketplace, please contact me directly to let me know so I can make sure we meet you and take you over to the right place at the right time! All food deliveries need to come to main reception by 12.50 at the latest so we can get these to the gym and get the stalls set up. Parents who are staying to help will need to sign in and we will then take you over to the gym to get you set up.

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Please contact me via my email below if you have any questions, queries or want to help on the day. We are really looking forward to the 15<sup>th</sup> April! Towards the end of this week, we know that Ramadan will be coming to an end, and I would like to wish all our families involved a wonderful Eid which I know will be taking this week.

Yours sincerely

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