

March 2024

Subject: PARENT HELPERS NEEDED TO SUPPORT CELEBRATION OF WORLD CULTURE DAY JUNE 28TH 2024 1300-1530 & GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE DAY

Dear Families,

We are seeking to get the local community involved with one of our ERA days this year. As a part of our activities week we would like to immerse Year 9 students in a range of world cultures. We are seeking volunteer parents and adults from across all year groups to support our second year of holding this event. It will be done through classroom based activities and a community event in the afternoon. Having previously taught in an international school and the celebration of World Culture Days were real highlights. I have included some photos of similar events from the internet which I think exemplify what I was thinking of.



What are we asking?

We are looking for parents to put on a stall to celebrate a particular aspect of their cultural experiences. This might take the form of food, artefacts, games, crafts, languages, clothes, but really it is anything you think celebrates your cultural experiences. This does not necessarily mean you need to have grown up in that particular culture, just that it is something you might have experienced, either from time living in that country or maybe frequent visits to that county.

We would ask that you set up a small stall together with an information board (we will provide these) about your culture/nation of choice from 1330pm on Friday 28th June. From 14.20 onwards, our Year 9 students along with staff will then come to speak to stall holders and find out about the wealth of cultural experiences the Horsham community has to celebrate.

Next steps

If you are at all interested or would just like to find out more then please complete this [form](#). This will be the second year we run this event and we would like to build on the success from last year with even more stalls. We have also secured a stall from a representative from Museum& who will be providing stories and foods from her childhood of growing up in Nottingham having arrived from St. Kitts & Nevis.

After we have received information from families, we will be in contact to discuss this with you further.

Additional information about the plans for the 3 days.

The theme for Wednesday is to study biodiversity with a rewilding theme. We have representatives from Knepp rewilding coming in to talk about their projects. We will also have students planting around our school site.

Timings: Normal School day

Dress code: Clothes suitable for gardening.

The theme for Thursday is to study world human diversity. On this day we have Teach Me Kung Fu Schools coming in to do a lesson with students. Students will also be cooking a dish from around the world and there will be lessons put on by staff to educate on their own cultural backgrounds.

Timings: Normal School day.

Dress code: Loose clothing, suitable for PE

The theme for Friday is to celebrate bio and human diversity. On this we have Catherine and her team coming to speak to students about their experiences coming to and growing up in the UK, originating from St. Kitts & Nevis. It is also on this day we hope parents will be able to support with the end of the day celebration event.

Timings: Normal School day.

Dress code: Bright clothing, where possible that has cultural significance to students.

Should you have any specific questions, please do not hesitate to contact me directly at awright@bohunthorsham.com

Yours sincerely,

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