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Dear Parents/Carers

Culture Week – 17-21 March 2025

I am writing to inform you of our second annual 'Culture Week'. At Cardinal Heenan, we are hugely proud of the diversity of our school community. We are proud that our school reflects the Catholic community of Leeds and the global, multicultural nature of Catholicism as a faith and Leeds as a City. As Pope Francis states "Unity is not uniformity and the diversity of our cultural and religious identities is a gift from God". At Cardinal Heenan, we teach our students the value of the virtue of solidarity in line with Catholic Social Teaching.

Our Culture Day is a student-led celebration of the multiculturalism and diversity within our school community and within the community of Leeds and the global Catholic Church. This event was introduced by our prefects in the last academic year. In the build up to Culture Day, and particularly throughout the week beginning 17 March, our staff and students will be conducting a range of events to celebrate and promote multiculturalism and diversity. These events include: an art competition, dance workshops, assemblies and collating our first ever Cardinal Heenan cookbook – for which recipe submissions should go to Miss Serra.

These events will culminate with our 'Culture Day' on Friday 21 March where students are expected and encouraged to wear outfits that reflect and celebrate a part of their culture. This could be traditional dress, flags, colours associated with a certain country or flag or sporting attire. The outfits should still be suitable for a day of learning, age appropriate, suitable for moving around school safely and there should be nothing that could cause offence to others. We expect the highest standards of behaviour for learning in lessons and if students have PE on Friday they will be expected to change into their PE uniform to fully take part in the lesson.

We are looking forward to a wonderful week in the school calendar.

If you have any questions or would like any further information, please do get in touch with me on der@cardinalheenan.com.

Kind regards

Mr Easter
Associate Assistant Headteacher – Head of Pastoral

