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Welcome to Clifton Community School

We hope that you and your child feel welcome and happy at Clifton Community School. We want you to feel a sense of belonging, to know that every child and family is valued and supported here.

We would like to continue our partnership journey together by finding out more about you and your child. We know that our parents and pupils, have a rich, cultural knowledge and experience and we would like to learn more about this, so that we can celebrate our diverse school community and develop a deeper understanding about the things that are important to you.

We believe we can learn as much from you, as your children will learn from us. To offer our parents an opportunity to share with us their skills and knowledge, With Me in Mind and Clifton Community School are working together to host several cultural exchange community events throughout the year, which may include some of the following:

Food tasting - sharing a favourite dish from your cultural influences.

Cultural dress - students and parents wear traditional dress and talk about their clothing and significance.

Show and Tell – An object or instrument is brought in and talked about e.g. sitar or prayer mat.

Country profile - photos and information about a country that influences your life. **Languages** - Learning a new language -basic words/ phrases learnt such as hello, goodbye and thank you etc.

Poetry, music or dance - playing an instrument, playing a piece of music or reading a poem/spoken word.

Sharing of skills from another country/ culture, e.g Henna painting, draping a saree etc.

We have decided that our first cultural exchange event will be focused on food from around the world. The focus of events following this, will be decided by the parents and the students themselves.

Our first event will be held at Clifton Community School on Wednesday 18th October at 2pm for approximately an hour. During this first event, we will be asking our parents to come into school, to join their children and share a favourite recipe or bring in a favourite dish for a minimum of 10 people to taste. As people move around the room, tasting different foods, it would be nice if you could explain how the dish is made and whether the food has any significant meaning for you, your family, or your culture. We are also hoping that local caterers and businesses might support this event, by donating some food samples. We can offer free publicity on our social media and at the event, for those who can get involved.





We really hope you will support Clifton Community School and With Me in Mind with this event. We are looking forward to meeting you and working together to celebrate and learn about our diverse community.

If you can attend our first cultural exchange event at Clifton Community School on Wednesday 18th October at 2.00 p.m. please return this completed slip to Mrs Leng *or* email **info@cliftonschool.org** stating your name, your child's name and form and what food you will be able to bring. If you know of any local businesses who may be able to support our event, please ask them to email Mrs Leng at the above email address.

Name:

Child's name and form:

I will be able to attend the first cultural exchange community event on Wednesday 18th October at 2.00 p.m.

I will be able to bring some food with me for others to taste. The food I will be sharing is ...

Thank you for your support.

