WALTON HIGH



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Dear Parents

Walton High is celebrating our second **Diversity Day** on Tuesday 23 April at both campuses. After a very successful event last year, this student-led event run by our Year 10 Student Councils aims to celebrate our diverse community and share with each other aspects of our heritage and culture, including our languages, our music and our traditional dress.

This year's event on Tuesday 23 April will not require students to wear their uniform and encourages students to wear their national dress or traditional clothing if they wish to. Students who do not have access to traditional clothing may choose to bring an item from their identified culture or tradition to show others with parental permission. Further details of what is acceptable clothing which can be worn on this non-uniform day is provided at the end of this letter.

Students have planned events at lunchtime, including a showcase of music and a fashion parade and there will be an opportunity to sample the food from a variety of cultures in the Cafe. Students have also created a quiz which will take place in tutor time and across the curriculum lessons will include activities to raise awareness of the diversity of our global society and school community.

At the gate in the morning there will be buckets to collect a donation of £1 which the Student Council have decided will be donated to Save The Children who work here in the UK and around the world to support the wellbeing of children from a range of backgrounds who find themselves in challenging circumstances.

Look out for news of how our Diversity Day went on our website www.waltonhigh.org.uk in the coming weeks.

Kind regards,

Brooklands Year 10 Student Council

Walnut Tree Year 10 Student Council

Miss Bolam

Vice Principal, Brooklands

Mr Butlin

Assistant Principal, Walnut Tree

Frequently asked questions about the non-uniform element of the Diversity Day:

What can students wear?

Students may wear their own clothes or a traditional clothing from their culture. This should be appropriate for a school environment. Unless part of traditional clothing, there should not be strappy tops and bared shoulders, or cropped tops with mid-drifts visible. Trousers and skirts should be a minimum of knee length. We ask students to keep accessories to a minimum.

Are we allowed to wear team sport shirts?

You may wear a sports top with jeans or appropriate tracksuit trousers, but you must not wear a full sport kit of shorts and top for the day.

Are we allowed to wear trainers?

Yes, for this day only. Any footwear worn must be appropriate for the school environment and for lessons to take place safely.

Can we wear make-up or have extreme hair styles?

The normal rules apply for make-up and hair styles on this day.

My child has PE on this day - do they need to bring their Walton High PE kit?

Yes. Students should bring their school kit to change in to as appropriate.

I am unable to make a donation. Can my child still come in non-uniform?

We encourage everyone to give as little or as much as they can and are recommending a donation of £1 to the charity Save The Children. If you are unable to contribute your child will not be treated any differently.