

18 November 2023

Dear families

### **Culture Day 2023**

On Friday 17 November, we held our Culture Day as a celebration of the cultural diversity of the academy. We have 55 nationalities and 63 languages spoken across the school. It was an amazing day with students experiencing the chance to learn from their peers about many different backgrounds, beliefs, and cultures. Our students led this part of the day and set up stalls to show cultural clothes, artefacts, flags and provide an opportunity to sample savoury and sweet treats. We also had traditional music, dancing and singing during different sessions and at breaktime.

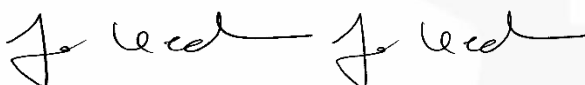
In lessons, each department created lessons learning about different countries and cultures:

- English (African cultures)
- Maths (Arabian culture with a focus on algebra)
- Science (Arabian culture with a focus on medicine)
- RE (Italian)
- ICT/ Computer science/ Business (Scottish)
- Geography (Icelandic culture)
- History (Romanian culture)
- MFL (Chinese culture)
- Drama (Indian culture)
- Food (Irish culture)
- PE (South American cultures)
- Art (Irish culture)

Our fantastic catering team served up a delicious lunch with Japanese Katsu Curry, Mexican Nachos, and Italian Penne Pasta. Have a look at some of the fantastic pictures of the day below, and follow us on Instagram to see more news about the school – [academy\\_stfrancisofassisi](https://www.instagram.com/academy_stfrancisofassisi)

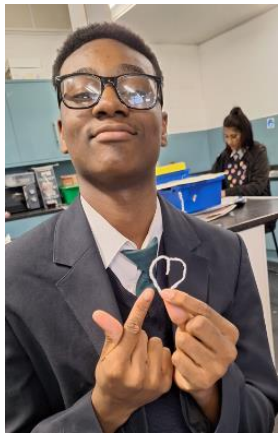
Thank you to everyone involved in helping organise this special day especially our young people who ran the stalls, and Mr Maguire who was magnificent in his organisation of the day. We hope this will be the start of other opportunities to celebrate our diversity and uniqueness as a school of sanctuary and warm welcome.

Your sincerely



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