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Dear Parents, Grandparents, Family members and Carers,

Diversity Week 30th – 4th October 2019

Following on from last year's successful and enjoyable event, St Francis School is holding a Diversity Week from Monday 30th September – Friday 4th October 2019. Throughout this week children will be researching experiencing and learning about diversity in numerous ways and we need your help to make their learning as interesting as possible.

To begin our Diversity Week on Monday 30th September – we invite children to attend school dressed in clothing that celebrates them as individuals. It could reflect cultural traditions, hobbies or interests. The children will have the opportunity to share their chosen outfit with their class as we discuss and celebrate our diverse community.

Like in previous years, we are planning to hold an International Fair on Thursday 3rd October (9.10 – 11.30) in the hall with different stalls representing the nationalities of our school (including England, Ireland, Scotland, Wales, etc.) sharing information, language, traditions and traditional costumes and typical foods of the country.

As well as the International Fair, we are also looking for volunteers to visit our classes during this week to offer some of the following:

- Talk about their culture or country
- Teach some basic expressions of a foreign language (including Gaelic, Welsh, etc.)
- Share, perform or teach a traditional craft, hobby, dance, music, musical instrument
- Tell, read or perform a traditional story
- Talk about their childhood, life experiences, job
- Share their religion
- Teach children their favourite prayer or prayer in a different language
- Share experiences of disabilities or learning difficulties, i.e. dyslexia, dyspraxia, ASD, etc.

If you are able to support us as a volunteer in class or during our International Fair please contact the office via phone or email and I will contact you to discuss further.

Thank you for your support

Mrs S Edwards, EAL Coordinator

Yours sincerely,

Mrs E Blanden

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