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Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope this letter finds you well. I am writing to inform you about the exciting event happening at the City of Peterborough Academy on Friday 3rd May - our Culture Day celebration. This will be our third event and we are looking to make this the biggest and best yet!

At City of Peterborough Academy, we take pride in our diverse community and believe in celebrating the rich tapestry of cultures that makes our Academy so special. Culture Day is a special occasion where we come together to recognise and appreciate the diversity within our student body that forms part of #CoPACulture

On Culture Day, we look forward to hosting the Punjabi Roots Academy - a group based in Bradford who have worked with the BBC, Channel Four, Channel Five and appeared on shows including Blue Peter and the One show. They will deliver an Indian creative arts and music workshop along with professional performances. The event promises to offer an education of Punjabi culture as well as a range of interactive and engaging activities leading up to a grand performance.

One of the highlights of the day will be the cultural dress-up, where students are encouraged to wear clothing that represents their cultural background. This allows our students to express themselves proudly and share their traditions with their peers.

We understand that not all students may have access to traditional cultural clothing. In such cases, students are encouraged to creatively represent their cultural heritage through accessories, colours, or symbols that hold significance to their culture, this could be a flag, a football shirt or even a t-shirt of a band or singer.

There are many different ways to express your culture and we encourage students to explore this. Our aim is to create an inclusive environment where every student feels empowered to celebrate their identity, regardless of attire.

Students will complete a 'normal' timetable but each subject will provide a cultural lesson which will provide students with the opportunity to explore cultural differences from around the world.

In addition to the cultural dress-up, lessons and visit there will be a variety of engaging activities planned for the week leading up to our Culture Day. We have shared this information with all students this morning in an online assembly, the schedule includes:

- Cultural Quiz: An opportunity for students to share their knowledge of cultures from around the world.
- Cultural Art Event: An opportunity to contribute towards a legacy art piece to celebrate culture at CoPA.
- Cultural Music: A space where students can enjoy music from around the world, immersing themselves in the rhythms and melodies of different cultures.
- Cultural Cook Off: An opportunity for students and staff to work together to create a cultural dish against the clock.

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We believe that Culture Day not only celebrates our differences but also promotes equality, diversity, and inclusivity among our students. It is a day where we can learn from each other, embrace our uniqueness, and strengthen the bonds within our academy community.

We encourage all students to participate in Culture Day by dressing up in their cultural attire and actively engaging in the week's activities.

Thank you for your continued support, and we look forward to celebrating Culture Day with you and your children on Friday 3rd May.

If you have any questions or would like to contribute to the event in any way, please don't hesitate to contact us on 01733 821440.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'K Beeby', with a large, stylized flourish underneath.

Mr K Beeby
Deputy Principal