

Dear Parents,

On Thursday June 16th, the school will hold a Jubilee Festival of Friendship & Culture in honour of Queen Elizabeth II (70 years since the accession). As a monarch she has always extended the hand of friendship across the world and we would like to build on this theme in order to celebrate the fact that dozens of countries across the world are now represented by pupils at The Roche School. We aim to honour and celebrate our pupils as global citizens who are being educated in one of the greatest cities in the world.

There will be dance workshops in the morning reflecting different cultures and decades, stalls at lunchtime, a special meal from Chef Michael and a party in the afternoon in the playground for the whole school (steel band included!). Within year groups, teachers will be working art projects honouring traditions of art from all over the world.

Our first request is for every child in the school to make an A4 flag, double sided, on paper (landscape format). These will be used to decorate the playground. Please bring your chosen flag into school by the 10th of June at the latest, so they can be laminated and ready for use. The children may make a flag associated with any country to which they feel an affiliation - somewhere they have lived, where their families have lived or even where they wish to go in future!

The flag needs to be on

- A4 white paper.
- Landscape orientation.
- Double sided.
- It could be painted, or collaged, or any other media.

This day will be a non-uniform day. Children are encouraged to wear something referencing their cultural heritage (from kilts to kaftans), or if they prefer they may dress in the colours of the Union Jack. Everyone takes part in a little parade with prizes for those who have pushed the boat out!

Regrettably, due to considerations of space, we are unable to ask parents to join us but we will be filming it for posterity and this film will be made available to you all.

Kind regards,

Vania