Dear Parents/Carers,

**Re: Celebrating Diversity at West Acton**

I am excited to tell you about the events over the next couple of weeks here to recognise our diversity and deepen our understanding of the British Values.

Last Friday the PTA Eid Cake sale started off by raising over £400.00 for UNICEF Child Refugee Appeal. Thank you to everyone who supported that either by baking, selling or buying!

**This week** pupils in have had workshops and assemblies about Refugee week by Nola Ellen a youth practitioner, trainer and educator, who has worked in the NGO sector with young refugees for over 15 years. See [https://www.mybrightkite.org/](https://www.mybrightkite.org/)

**New week** we have a spoken word educator Thomas ‘GhettoGeek’ Owuoo holding assemblies on **Monday 17th June**.

After this the children will write their own Refugee inspired poetry. The aim of these activities is for pupils to develop empathy and understanding of different reasons why people may move, from and to one country or even within a country.

On **Friday 21st June** Pupils are invited to dress from their heritage and at **2.45pm** that day parents/carers are welcome into the classrooms and hear children share some of their poetry.

Finally on **Monday 24th June at 2.00pm** Kevin George from Show Racism the Red Card and Soccology will be delivering a workshop for parents/carers on: diversity and equality which covers: Beliefs, British Values, Unconscious Bias and Modelling.

If any parents/carers would like to share their story for example about moving to the UK or read stories or poems in different languages to our children then please do let me know via [admin@west-acton.ealing.sch.uk](mailto:admin@west-acton.ealing.sch.uk).

Yours faithfully,

Karen Kondo
Headteacher
Friday 21\textsuperscript{st} June – come to school in traditional dress from your heritage.

Does your family originate from a different country outside the UK? Please wear traditional costumes, clothes, colours, flags from that country.

Does your family originate from within the UK? You could google ‘traditional British’ clothes and make a costume, where clothes in the colour of the Union Jack or England flag. Or maybe you have visited a different country and want to show some clothes you bought or received from a friend.

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https://refugeeweek.org.uk/