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Dear Parents/Guardians,

We would like to inform you of our upcoming Culture Appreciation Day.

The school will be holding our annual Culture Appreciation Day on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> April. This annual event has been part of the R6 calendar for several years and was introduced to the whole school last year. It was a fantastic day where students celebrated one another and their cultures. Students are encouraged to wear cultural clothing or appropriate non – school uniform so we can celebrate and appreciate different cultures across our community. Culture is “the ideas, customs, and social behaviour of particular people or society” and the Culture Appreciation Day will provide an opportunity to understand, recognise and enjoy the good qualities of someone or something.

Students will be asked to donate a voluntary £1 which will be donated to the R6 Challenges abroad trip supporting the Future Sense foundation in Tanzania, Nepal, Thailand and Cambodia. Nineteen students in Year 12 will be travelling to each of these destinations to support local schools and live amongst the community representing Ridgeway as Global Citizens.

Students will attend assemblies in the run up to the event by the Student Heads of School to look at culture appreciation. Mentoring activities on the day will also support this.

We encourage students on the day to:

- Wear cultural clothing or clothing that represents you! *For Example: Represents your interests, hobbies, religious beliefs, ethnicity or nationality, or appropriate non-school uniform.*
- Share food
- Ask questions
- Share language, stories and history

The day will be led by the Student Heads of School and R6 Student Leadership Team and will focus on information around culture and why it is important to share values and experiences from all backgrounds.

Reminders will go to students through mentoring in the run up to the event.

We look forward to celebrating all cultures of the Ridgeway family.

Any questions please let us know,

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