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Dear Parents / Carers,

We are very excited to announce our All Through School Belonging Day – Different Together, which will take place on Friday 23rd January.

This special day is designed to bring our whole school community together for a break from regular lessons and will be dedicated to celebrating our differences as members of the St Mark's community.

The day will be formally opened by our Local MP, Satvir Kaur. We then have planned a range of exciting activities for the children across the school, including African drumming, Indian dancing, inclusive games and food tasting, as well as visits from inspiring guest speakers. These include Gold Medal-winning Paralympic Champion Aaron Phipps, Commonwealth Games medal winner Kelly Simm and local community award nominee DJ Ali Beg.

All pupils and staff are encouraged to wear something that represents their own community, group, or just something that represents them. This could include a traditional cultural outfit, a Scouts or Guides uniform, a colour that represents them or clothing linked to their personality. However, please ensure that your child wears school appropriate clothing (no rude/offensive slogans, short skirts, high heels etc) and which is suitable for the weather on the day. Jewellery must also be as per our policy due to health and safety.

Lunch will take place as usual and a special menu is being created. Please look out for more details.

Thank you for your continued support. We are very much looking forward to celebrating this special day with the children.

Yours sincerely,

Stephanie Bryant
Executive Headteacher