



8 July 2022

Dear Parents & Carers,

Our Diversity Drop Down Day is fast approaching and as such, we would like to share with you the plan and focuses for **Monday 18th July**. Each year group has a particular focus, based on a particular Protected Characteristic from the Equality Act 2010. For example, in Year 7, students will be developing their knowledge of physical disabilities through participating in a workshop, led by speaker Nathan, who has cerebral palsy. In Year 8, students will be going on their own pilgrimage (religious journey) to significant Holy sites around the world, exploring how faith is experienced in the 21st Century. In Year 9, students will be developing their compassion as they hear from refugees who have fled their countries of origin and lastly, in Year 10, students will be exploring the idea of macho-culture, led by journalist Chris Hemmings. We hope this will be an enjoyable and informative day for students, who will have the opportunity to discuss key issues and develop their own worldviews.

Below is an outline of the topics we plan to deliver throughout the day:

Timing	Year 7 – Disability	Year 8 – Religion	Year 9 – Race & Ethnicity	Year 10 – Gender
Tutor Time	Introduction to Physical Disabilities	Introduction to Religion	Introduction to Race	Introduction to Gender
9:00 – 10:00	Veucan Workshop – Raising Awareness of Disability	Visit to the Kaaba	Introduction to seeking refuge	Keynote Speaker
10:00 – 11:00	A Blind Experience	Visit to the Meditation Room	How to be Anti-Racist	Workshop with Speaker
BREAK				
11:20 – 12:20	Paralympic Games	Visit to the Western Wall	Exhibition on Refugees	Gender, Sex and Gender Expression
12:20 – 1:20	Terminology	Visit to the Sistine Chapel	Exhibition on Refugees	Gender Stereotypes in STEM
LUNCH		Visit to the Langar		
2:05 – 3:15	Poetry Competition	Newspaper Article	Diary Entry	Gender in the 21 st Century

Please note – Year 7s ONLY will be in their PE kits for the whole day. The rest of the Year Groups 8 – 10 will be in normal school uniform.

For further information or guidance on these issues, please consult the resources listed below which you may find helpful to support the work we are doing here at Hinchbrooke:

- Physical Disability - <https://veucan.co.uk/>
- Religion around the World - <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/subjects/zh3rkqt>
- Refugee & Asylum Seekers - <https://www.refugeecouncil.org.uk/>
- LGBT and Gender - [BBC Radio 4 - Woman's Hour - How NOT to be a man](#)

Similarly, if you would like to get in contact with the Diversity Champions, please contact us by email, where we will be happy to answer any questions or listen to suggestions. Thank you for your ongoing support to promote diversity, equality, and inclusion here at Hinchbrooke. We look forward to sharing the successes of the day with you in the future.

Yours sincerely,

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