Present: Darren, Lorraine, Sarah Mc, Sue and Urmila

Diversity Working Party purpose

Aim:

To monitor and support the implementation of a diverse and multicultural curriculum and learning environment.

This will include...

- Looking for evidence of diversity in pupils' work and resources.
- Auditing the learning environment in terms of multicultural references.
- Liaising with the Church School Council to ensure the pupils' voice is heard.
- Implementing an action plan to raise the profile of diversity / multiculturalism.
- Exploring extra-curricular opportunities to promote diversity across the school.

Action Plan

The summer term action plan was agreed. New targets include

- Continue the use of multicultural stories in assemblies read in the appropriate language as well as English.
- Questions about diversity to be added to the annual parent questionnaire.
- Pupil perceptions about diversity to be gathered.
- Story Harvesting project to run this term, funded by IOA.

Other points

- Lorraine will come up with a list of sayings and wisdoms from different cultures for Darren to add to newsletters.
- Darren will talk to the Year 6 teachers about offering an India themed session (supported by Urmila and Satveer) as part of their activities week. This could involve dressing in saris, preparing traditional food, henna designs etc.
- The multicultural craft project previously discussed will be scheduled for the Autumn term.
- Children already answer the register in different languages. We will consider launching a 'Language of the Week' initiative in the Autumn term.

Next meeting: Tuesday 21st June at 3.30pm in Classroom 1M