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## Principal's Newsletter

6 February 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,



What a talented group of pupils we have at Liverpool College! I attended last night's production of Oliver! and it was a delight to behold: a totally uplifting spectacle of musical talent and acting acumen with so many outstanding performances from our secondary phase pupils - and from Elsie the School Dog of course!

Mr Bishop has unsurprisingly selected our **musician of the week** from the Oliver! performers:



*There are so many cast and band members taking part in the production of Oliver! who are worthy of this week's musician of the week award, however we must recognise Heidi S (Ch10) who performed the role of Nancy on Thursday evening, singing a stunning rendition of 'As Long As He Needs Me'.*

*Her performance was real, emotional and chilling, really bringing the harrowing nature of Nancy's reality to life. Due to a slight miscommunication and the artistic mantra of 'the show must go on' due to no fault of her own, she missed the start of the famous 'Oom Pah Pah' song at the start of Act 2, only to make a grand entrance, know exactly where we were up to in the music, and proceeded to 'own' the stage and finish the song in style. Well done Heidi!*

There is still time to catch a performance of Oliver!: this evening's show is sold out but there are a limited number of tickets available for Saturday's matinee performance at 1pm – click on the link for tickets: <https://www.trybooking.com/uk/FWKX>

Congratulations to our debating team who last night took part in the regional round of the Oxford Schools Debating Competition at Manchester High School for Girls. Miss Jones reports on their success:

*Cori D (C10) and Ismail A H (C12) have progressed to the finals in Oxford, coming first out of 58 other teams from 19 other schools across the north of England. An incredible achievement.*

*The other competitors were also a credit to themselves and to the school. Grace F, Orla Den and Marina V M (C10) and Orla C (C12) competed for the first time in British Parliamentary style debating and argued with confidence.*

*A notable mention to Harry R (C9) who was left without a debating partner on the night but still wished to take part (in his very first debating competition!) Thankfully, a student from Manchester High School for Girls stepped in to partner him, so that he didn't have to deliver two speeches by himself! He showed great courage and perseverance competing as a Chapter 9 student amongst mostly sixth formers.*

Well done to all our competitors on this fantastic achievement, and thank you to Miss Jones for all her work on preparing and coaching the team.

I was delighted to read Mr Stamper's report of a new series of cultural reflections in primary:



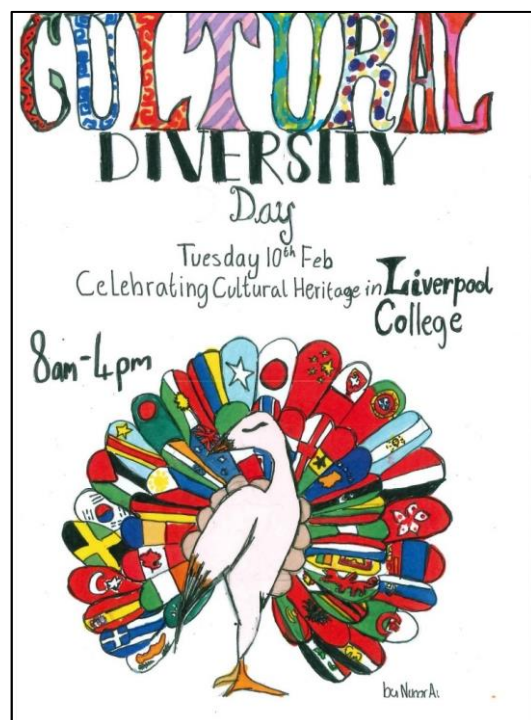
*In Primary Reflection this week, we began our new Cultural Assemblies initiative with a brilliant talk all about Pakistan. Children who themselves and their families are from the Pakistani community shared lots of really interesting information about Pakistan including its history, food and clothing, and we even got to see some! At the end, we had a Q&A session, and the children's knowledge and passion for their culture was really inspiring.*

*A huge thanks to Ms Alam for helping to put together the assembly, and to the children who took part - you were amazing!*

Our celebration of the vast cultural heritage that is shared by pupils and students at Liverpool College continues next week with our annual **Cultural Diversity Day**.

A reminder from Mrs Kelly about arrangements for the day: *On Tuesday 10 February, we will be hosting a Cultural Diversity Day. Parents and carers are invited to briefly attend and have a glimpse at our celebration. You will be able to visit from 8:00- 8:20am only - we realise that this is a small slot; but for all of the secondary pupils to share in the activities the timings are tight.*

*If you would like to visit, you will be able to enter the premises through the pedestrian entrance in the main car park where you will be guided to walk down the side of the school to the Sports Hall. All visitors must leave at the end of their allocated time for the safety of the pupils.*



Next half term has many events to look forward to including the Secondary Phase's Speech Night and Prize Giving at Liverpool Cathedral on Thursday 19 March, but before this we have our wonderful annual **Share Ramadan** event on Friday 6 March (5-8pm) in the Dining Hall:



*Liverpool College PTA - in collaboration with MSE- would like to warmly invite you and your family to join us for our Community Iftar.*

*As a non-profit charity, we aim to bring together members of our school community and the wider local community to celebrate the blessed month of Ramadan.*

*You can purchase your tickets and get full information about the event on <https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/liverpool-college-pta/t-ldnpmoa>*

*For sponsorship enquiries please email [pta@liverpoolcollege.org.uk](mailto:pta@liverpoolcollege.org.uk)*

May I wish you and yours a dry and warm weekend.

**Yours sincerely,**

**Mrs A Haynes  
Principal**