



**Interim Executive Headteacher: Dr J Lane**

16<sup>th</sup> June 2017

Dear Parents/Carers,

**MUFTI DAY in support of volunteer work in India**

**Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2017**

*'In imitation of our Master, we Christians are called to confront the poverty of our brothers and sisters, to touch it, to make it our own and to take practical steps to alleviate it.*

**Pope Francis**

As many of you are aware, The Holy Father has asked us to give spiritual and practical support to our sisters and brothers around the world, who are deprived of the most basic needs, e.g. education, food, water, clothing and shelter.

This summer, Miss Jolliffe is travelling to Delhi to volunteer in the slums to teach children where school is simply not an option, as they work in the streets with their parents selling goods, foraging and performing to make a living. There are estimated to be over 100 million street children living in India. This volunteer work provides these children with a basic education and new opportunities that they would otherwise be deprived of.

This term, we would like to hold a **Mufti Day** in order to raise money for this charity to provide children with resources and help towards the local community. This will help communities who are grateful for the new perspectives and lessons learned from volunteers.

Miss Jolliffe will be presenting special assemblies to the children in Key Stages 1 and 2. The children will have the opportunity to learn more about life in these communities and the challenges that they face. On the day, the children will also have the opportunity to explore the rich and varied culture of India, through a variety of exciting and stimulating activities.

**We invite all of the children in the school to come in on Thursday 22nd June wearing cultural clothing of India or colours that represent the flag of India.**

**We would suggest a donation of £2, or whatever you can afford.**

NB. If your child has PE on that day, we ask that they dress in suitable clothes and footwear for PE.

Thank you very much for your support!

Yours sincerely

**Miss A Jolliffe**  
Year 4 class teacher

**Mrs M McDonnell**  
Religious Education Leader