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Dear Parents/Carers,

EUROPEAN DAY OF LANGUAGES; Wednesday, 26 September

Each year, on 26 September the Modern Languages department at Backwell School joins others around Europe to celebrate European Day of Languages.

There are over 6000 languages spoken in the world and behind each and every one of them lies a rich and diverse culture. That is what the European Day of Languages aims to celebrate by showing people across Europe how important languages are, and what fun can be had learning them.

This year, we are asking Year 7 students to help mark the occasion by making a charity donation of £1.00 and dressing up in the colours of a world flag (no face paints or hair dye) and there will be a prize for the best flag outfit in each Year 7 tutor group. Payment should be made in cash on the day and will be collected by your child's form tutor during morning registration.

The money will be given to support the charity Bristol Refugee Rights which aims to provide a place of welcome in Bristol where asylum seekers and refugees can meet and be supported to play a full part in the life of the wider community. Information about the charity can be found the website www.bristolrefugeerights.org.

We are hoping to run a Year 7 inter-form boules competition during the week of the event and the canteen will be putting on some culinary delights inspired by recipes from different countries on the day.

We hope that all Year 7 students will fully embrace the day and will enjoy finding out how languages and world cultures can enrich our lives while donating to a very worthwhile cause!

Yours sincerely,

Miss Helen Young
Head of Modern Foreign Languages