### What is the Multicultural Fair?

The Franklin Multicultural Fair is an annual event where we celebrate the diversity of our school community and feature our many international origins, cultures and traditions! It takes place on the school yard in the early evening and is attended by students and their families.

### I want to participate, what is involved?

Participating involves finding a way to share your family's heritage, cultures and traditions. You can do this by hosting a table or by organizing a performance.

Hosting a table allows you to be creative in how you showcase your culture. Use the space to offer samples of traditional food or drink, showcase cultural artifacts, be educational (e.g. maps/flags/trivia), set up a craft, or play some games. For example, in the past the India table has fed everyone samosas, given out bangles, and administered Henna tattoos. Be creative! You can do as much or as little as you like.

*Organizing a performance* involves providing a live performance on the evening, appropriate to be performed on the school yard. This could be individual or in a group, and could involve a dance, song, or another type of performance. Audio facilities will be available.

# How many visitors should I expect?

Last year we had around 400 students and families attend.

# What will the event provide?

We will supply a table, tablecloth, napkins, a flag to represent your country, and a stamp to use on kids passports when they

"visit". We are also offering a small stipend to help with items you supply, upon request.

# Someone is already representing my culture, what can I do?

Don't despair, join in! This is a great way to meet others in the community with a shared background and also to divide and conquer on finding the best way to represent your culture. Either reach out directly, or let us know and we can make the connection for you.

# Sign me up! But, how?

If you want to host a table or organize a performance, <u>sign up here</u> If you want to join the organizing committee, email Liz Mair (elizabeth.r.mair@gmail.com)



