Dear friends, let us love one another, for love comes from God. Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God. **1 John 4:7**

Difference and respect

Equality

Freedom to be...

- Freedom gives us the power or right to act, speak, or think as we want!
- It allows us to be individuals and to be who we want to be!



Which one is the cheerleader?







Could Samuel L. Jackson be a Cheerleader?

Could the president of the USA be a cheerleader ?



Could a blind person be a **Cheerleader?**

Diversity...

- When we have freedom to live and be who we want to be, it results in an interesting mix of people.
- **Diversity** is a mix of things...

- Everyone is loved by God
- Everyone is welcome in our school

Diversity...

World without diversity

World with diversity



Which is more interesting?

World without diversity

World with diversity





More interesting...

World with diversity



Diversity in the UK

- Down to our deepest historic roots, Britain has always been a diverse nation with people arriving here from all over the world! Just as people born in Britain travel and emigrate all over the World.
- All Unique –all with their own talents.
- Everyone is loved by God
- Everyone is welcome in our school.



Diversity in the UK

 As people from around the world arrive in Britain, they all contribute their own ethnic and cultural influence to our society...

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A mix of food



A mix of music and dance







A mix of fashion



Ethnic diversity

- Ethnic diversity has made our society rich in culture and contributed to our economic, social and democratic development.
- Can you imagine our country without all the amazing food, music, dance, sports, fashion and people that diversity brings?
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Without ethnic diversity, some England players wouldn't live here!

Respecting difference

- With freedom and diversity comes a need to respect difference!
- Do you want to live in a world where we can be who we want to be, listen to the music we like, eat the foods we enjoy, dress how we like to dress etc?
- Then we must remember that the person next to us has the freedom and right to do the same.
- And they are likely to be different...and that is great.
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Be proud

- It is important to remember we are ALL different and it is our differences that make us unique and special, and that makes our country interesting.
- Be **proud** and **confident** in your differences!
- **Respect** and **celebrate** difference in others!



Remember...



- If we didn't have freedom to be who we want to be and to be different, the world would be a boring place...
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Time to reflect

- Think about all our friends here in St. Gerard's and your family and friends how are they different to you, how are they the same?
- Think about how it makes them unique and special and adds to our diverse and interesting culture!



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