

# The Armstrong

# Diversity Council



## Who We Are

We are educators and parents from a range of nationalities who work collaboratively to enhance the lives of Armstrong students. The goal of the Diversity Council is to help students, parents, and educators learn about each other's culture. We accomplish this by identifying ways to celebrate the uniqueness that each child and their family bring to our school community.

## "Parent Partnership"

If you are new to the area and have questions about school or the local community, we can help. Mrs. Sweet, the Armstrong secretary, can be reached weekdays at 508 – 836 – 7760. In addition, the Council also organizes **Parent Partnership** which is a group of current & past members who are happy to try and answer your questions. Please contact Mrs. Hart or anyone listed below during the school year or summer with questions about school, local amenities, activities for children.....

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## Parent Meetings

The Diversity Council meets several times per year in the AES cafeteria. If you are interested in coming to a 7:00 p.m. meeting, please email Mrs. Hart at [harti2@westborough.k12.ma.us](mailto:harti2@westborough.k12.ma.us) so that we can be sure to extend a warm welcome upon your arrival.

## Student Involvement

The cafeteria at Armstrong is a place where children meet daily to eat and socialize with friends and this is where you will find the Diversity Council's wall display entitled "It's a Small World After All". The perimeter of the cafeteria is adorned with beautiful flags from many countries. Artwork, posters, information and artifacts (oftentimes brought into school from the students' home) are featured.

Every two months, the Diversity Council arranges for groups of parents and their children to get together to create a beautiful and informative wall display. In the days following the launch of a new country, students whose parent(s) participated in creating the display are invited to join Principal Mendes for morning announcements and greet the student body over the public address system in their native language. If you would like us to feature your country, please contact Mrs. Hart.

To date, we have featured: Russia, Korea, India, China, USA, Puerto Rico, and Colombia.

## Photo Gallery



# Photo Gallery - Continued



