

Ready for international day at Thor Heyerdahl upper secondary school.

On Wednesday the 10th of April Adel, Mohammed and the other from combination class will show you're their country



Adel Tofi (to the left) and Mohammed Abas will show you Kurdistan.

- Last year, many came to learn more about our cultures, it was a lot of fun. I'm going to braid hair and decorate those who want with henna paint, says Fosia Moalim from Somalia.

On Wednesday, April 10, Fosia and students from, among others, Eritrea, Afghanistan, Kurdistan, Thailand, China, the Philippines, Turkey and Syria stand ready to show you their culture, language and religion. In total, there are 13 nationalities in the Combination Class at THVS.



Here are some students who shows what they are proud of from their countries. We create an arena for talking together, and I think it is very valuable for students to tell from their home countries. It may contribute to less skepticism and interest in other countries, says Kari Brekke Nilsen, team leader for the Combination class.

Bente Hoel, coordinator of internationalization at THVS, says that the school participates largely in international activities, in line with the government's guidelines

Many activities

On the ground floor of Thor Heyerdahl's building you can wander between the different countries, with tastings, music and various activities.

In addition, the exchange students at THVS talk about what it's like to work in another country. Kjell Østby at Larvik Learning Center and environmentalist Abdul-Ilah Karim Ahmad talks about cultural meetings / culture shock and Canadian Julien S. Bourrelle talks about cultural inequalities.

- I am really looking forward to this. I joined last year too and it's a great way to showcase Kurdistan," says Adel Tofi. He shows the plans and presentation he and Mohammed Abas made, who is also from Kurdistan. The students explain what is the colors and symbol of the flag mean, what kind of clothes are common to women and men and they tell about the different cities in the country. They will also cook something, which Mohammed is best at. For him is the first time he is on International Day, while Adel joined last year.

- It will be exciting and fun to be part of this, says Mohammed, who has been in Norway since 2015.

Adir has been here for two years and four months.

Creates more understanding

International day is an important arena for creating greater understanding of the different cultures we have at school



-We work internationally in many areas of our school, both in terms of language learning and exchange of students in both study preparation and vocational subjects. We are working to highlight that diversity and International Day is a great opportunity.

Teacher Kari Brekke Nilsen has a clear call:
- Join and celebrate the diversity of our school!

International Day – The Program:

1st floor at 11-13:

The combination class has stands with food, music and activities from "all over the world". The restaurant and food processing program make tastings from Italian and Norwegian traditional dishes. Presentation of the Erasmus + project «Migration in Europe». The students who have language subjects tell about their language journeys.

Look, hear and taste!

In the Audio Kon Tiki at 08: 30-10: 00 and at. 10: 00-11: 30:

«Destination Norway - Cultural meetings / Culture shock?» By Kjell Østby and Abul-Ilah Ahmed and others

Erasmus + exchange project; THVS students talk about it is to work in another country.

Kon Tiki at 12: 20-14: 00:

Julien S. Bourrelle, Canadian rocket scientist who is passionate about diversity and communication, gives lectures. He will talk about his experiences with Norwegian culture and the importance of learning about cultural understanding. We repeat the success from last year! Enrollment here (Students and teachers must register separately)