



Celebrating our Diversity at Werribee Primary School: Wednesday March 21st

Australia is a vibrant and multicultural country — from the oldest continuous culture of our first Australians to the cultures of our newest arrivals from around the world.

Harmony Day is a celebration of our cultural diversity – a day of cultural respect for everyone who calls Australia home. The message of Harmony Day is ‘everyone belongs’ and we are inviting our school community to come together and join our celebrations on Wednesday March 21st.

The following events are planned for our Harmony Day celebrations:

- A **Cultural Expo** will be set up in the gymnasium with interactive stalls featuring the artefacts of different cultures for classes to visit and explore. If you have any artefacts to contribute to our expo such as costumes, toys, artworks or musical instruments please complete the slip below or see Karen Trofin in the EAL room or Di Smith in First Aid.
- Students are invited to **dress up** in cultural costumes, some example could be Sari, Akubra, Kilt or your child could wear the colour orange which is the colour chosen to represent Harmony Day. It signifies social communication and the encouragement of mutual respect. Year levels will parade their costumes at the expo during an allocated time, to be advised.
- A **special lunch** will be available – a pre-paid lunch order form will be given to each child.
- We will be compiling a **Community Recipe Book** and ask members of our school community to send along a family recipe. Please write out a family favourite and place your recipe in the Recipe Drop Box, located at the office.

Our cultural diversity is one of our greatest strengths and is at the heart of who we are. It makes Werribee Primary School a great place to be.

We look forward to celebrating this community event with you on March 21st.

The Harmony Day Committee

Please return the slip below if you are able to add any cultural artefacts to our expo.

Name: _____

Child’s class: _____

Contact Number: _____

What cultural artefacts can you feature in our expo? _____

What country are they from? _____