



# Concord West Public School

## Harmony Day: Tuesday 16th March, 2021 (Week 8)

Dear Parents and Carers,

Next week we are having Harmony Day at school on Tuesday 16th March. This is a day to celebrate Australian multiculturalism, diversity and promote peace in our school. The message for Harmony Day is 'everyone belongs'. We will be learning about inclusiveness, respect and belonging for all Australians, regardless of a person's culture or language. This is part of Harmony week (15-21 March) which is happening across Australia. For more information you can go to [www.harmony.gov.au](http://www.harmony.gov.au).

### What is happening at school?

On Tuesday 16th March, students will be offered activities to do in class relating to multiculturalism, diversity and harmony. Here are some other things happening which are **optional**:

- **Wear something orange (gold coin donation):** Students are invited to wear orange to represent Harmony Day, such as an orange t-shirt, socks, ribbon or wristband. Traditionally, orange signifies social communication and meaningful conversations. It also relates to the freedom of ideas and encouragement of mutual respect. Australians can choose to wear something orange to show their support for cultural diversity and an inclusive Australia.
- **Orange hair spray (gold coin donation):** The Year 6 school leaders will have an orange hair spraying station at lunch time. Please let your class teacher know if your child **cannot** have hair spray.
- The **canteen** will also be selling special orange food on the day:
  - Orange Jelly - \$1.50
  - Frozen orange - \$1
  - Rockmelon Kebab - \$1
  - Carrot sticks 50 cents
  - Orange ice blocks - 50 cents

All donations are going towards supporting our sponsor child Khalid in Africa, who we support as a school through the charity 'So They Can'. You can find out more about the charity at [www.sotheycan.org](http://www.sotheycan.org).

We look forward to celebrating this special day with our students next week and we hope the day will also provide a good opportunity for families to talk about cultural diversity and harmony. We are proud to have such a multicultural school with so many different traditions, beliefs, languages and cultures and we strive to build a community of friendship and peace.



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