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Harmony Day

Thursday 11th March, 2021

Dear parents and caregivers,

Harmony Week is about inclusiveness, respect and belonging for all Australians, regardless of cultural or linguistic background, united by a set of core Australian values.

Harmony week will be celebrated at Werrington Public School in the week beginning Monday 15th until Friday 19th March.

On **Thursday 18th March** children will be requested to either **wear cultural dress** to school or weather-appropriate clothes with **the 'colour orange'**. Students are required to wear enclosed shoes and their school hat. On this day children will be requested to provide a *gold coin donation* which will fund prizes and be contributed towards the school's well-being week.

Orange is the colour chosen to represent Harmony Week. Traditionally, orange signifies social communication and meaningful conversations. It also relates to the freedom of ideas and encouragement of mutual respect.

During the week children will have the opportunity to participate in the following activities:

- Wear cultural dress/the colour orange on Thursday 18th March
- Engage in stage appropriate lessons, about Harmony Day; designed by class teachers;
- Decorate poster sized letters with their class for the words 'Harmony Day' and 'Everyone belongs', which will be displayed in the hall;
- Record personal messages for Harmony day, on a pathway in chalk;
- Participate in a poster/colouring competition for Harmony day with canteen vouchers as a prize; and
- Have photos of outfits worn and activities undertaken during Harmony week, which will be uploaded to Facebook for each class (for those children with permission to publish). Thank you for your ongoing support towards this special celebration.

Yours sincerely,

The Harmony Day Team

Chris Avery

Principal

