

# Living in Harmony

## Harmony Day...

...is Australia's way of reflecting on, and celebrating our cultural diversity.

It is a day for rejecting racism and racial discrimination.

Harmony Day coincides with the United Nations International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination.

This special day is celebrated on 21 March each year, but events are held all around Australia any time during March – from Broome to Burnie, and Geraldton to Grafton.

## Why celebrate Harmony Day at your school?

Take a look around at your school mates. Where were they born? Where were their parents or grandparents from?

Chances are many of your friends' families came from many different parts of the world.

Harmony Day encourages everyone to focus on what an exciting and diverse country we live in and take pride in our community:

**YOU + ME = US.**

You can take a stand against racism, prejudice and intolerance and help build a peaceful society.

## So what can you do?

The challenge is here! It is up to you to **SAY 'NO' TO RACISM.**

Ask your teachers to help host a Harmony Day event at your school.

Go to [www.harmony.gov.au](http://www.harmony.gov.au) to get tips and ideas. Use the website to find out what other schools have done in the past and tell us about the event you are holding.

Or ring us on **1800 33 1100**. Get copies of the Tips & Ideas from our website for more ideas! Find out what other schools have done in the past.

## Start Surfing!

With your teachers, visit:

- [www.harmony.gov.au](http://www.harmony.gov.au)
- [www.racismnoway.com.au](http://www.racismnoway.com.au)
- [www.bullyingnoway.com.au](http://www.bullyingnoway.com.au)
- [www.hreoc.gov.au/index.html](http://www.hreoc.gov.au/index.html)
- [www.curriculum.edu.au](http://www.curriculum.edu.au)
- [www.un.org/pubs/cyberschoolbus/index.html](http://www.un.org/pubs/cyberschoolbus/index.html)
- [www.unesco.edna.edu.au](http://www.unesco.edna.edu.au)
- [www.unesco.org/shs/againstdiscrimination](http://www.unesco.org/shs/againstdiscrimination)
- [www.minister.immi.gov.au/cam](http://www.minister.immi.gov.au/cam)

