

Dear Families and Students,

On **Tuesday 21st March** students and staff at Peakhurst West Public will celebrate Harmony Day, which is part of a Commonwealth initiative to encourage us to:

- Think about our community's success as a multicultural society.
- Commit to showing respect, inclusiveness, belonging and understanding between Australians of all backgrounds.
- Say "NO" to racism.

Over the coming week, students will be involved in a range of classroom activities to develop these understandings.

On **Tuesday 21st March**, students are invited to **wear mufti clothes** (NO SCHOOL UNIFORM). This could include orange socks, orange t-shirt, orange shorts or even just an orange ribbon. Students may also like to wear traditional clothing from their cultural background. No coloured hairspray or face paint please. Traditionally, orange signifies social communication and meaningful conversations. It also relates to the freedom of ideas and encouragement of mutual respect. The canteen is supporting Harmony Day with lunch packs on the day.

The School Leadership Team and SRC members would like to raise money to support Stewart House. Stewart House provides educational and health services for NSW children in need. Teachers and students are asked to bring a gold coin donation to help support this event.

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