Harmony Day 23 March 2016

On Harmony Day we celebrate living in a community that strives to live in peace and harmony by showing respect, understanding and kindness towards others.

On Wednesday 23 March, 2016 students are asked to try and wear something orange as a symbol of peace and harmony. If any student wishes to wear their traditional national dress we encourage them to do so.

We are planning to hold a multicultural food tasting event for the students in each classroom at 1pm, and would appreciate it if families could send along a labelled dish of food in the morning to share at lunch. If you do wish to make a hot dish, please assist by bringing it up to your child’s classroom by 12:30pm as we have limited heating facilities. Children are asked to bring a plastic/paper dish or plate and spoon to use on the day. Parent helpers to assist with sharing lunch on the day would be appreciated. If you can help, please indicate below.

After lunch the students will be doing a variety of language activities relating to Harmony Day and its importance.

We hope you will help us to celebrate Harmony Day and promote peace!

Yours Sincerely,
Mrs Alison Cornall
ESL Teacher

Mr Matt Hobbs
Principal

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Please indicate below, if your child can bring a dish to share with his or her class members for lunch on Harmony Day. Notes are to be given to class teachers, thank you.

My child will/will not be able to bring a dish to share on Harmony Day.
I can/cannot help with serving lunch between 1pm and 1:45pm on the day
(Parent/carer’s name) _________________________________
PRINCIPAL'S REPORT—WEEK 7

Congratulations to our school teams who took part in the Literacy Quiz challenge held last Friday. One of our school teams was successful in winning this regional event and will now be moving onto the National final in Sydney later this term. Well done to all students on being outstanding representatives of Armidale City Public School, you should be very proud of your efforts. Thank you to parents and teachers for supporting the participation of our students in this event.

We have had students representing Armidale City Public School at North West swimming and tennis during the last week. Well done to students on their efforts — again you are all wonderful representatives of our school and congratulations on your achievements.

We had a very productive P&C meeting last Wednesday. Thank you to all members for coming along and contributing to the discussions. The P&C has a number of events coming up and are always looking for new members to become involved. The next P&C meeting will be the Annual General Meeting and will be held on Wednesday, 6 April in the library from 6.30pm. Our School Council will meet next Monday, 14 March from 7pm. All council members are encouraged to attend.

Parents and family members are reminded that if they volunteer in any capacity at the school they should complete the volunteer working with children check which can be done online and then completed at the RTA. This includes if you assist with transport for an excursion. The working with children check is a NSW legislative requirement and copy of each check must be kept on file at school. If you have any questions regarding the process please contact the School Office.

Thank you to parents for their positive support of our school and for the assistance you provide in ensuring our students have great educational opportunities. It is vital we work together and the staff at Armidale City Public School is committed to working with parents in a constructive manner. If you would like to have a conversation at any time you are always welcome to do so. Following this procedure helps staff plan their week and teaching time can be very busy and it amazes me how well Kinder Red are focusing on learning the letter names and sounds of the alphabet and how to write each letter correctly, as this helps us become better writers. In guided writing we had lots of fun writing about ‘Octopuppy’ by Martin McKenna. We also got to make our own Octopuppy. If you haven’t seen them yet, come into Kinder Red and have a look!

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KINDER RED NEWS

Wow, we cannot believe how quickly this term has gone already! Kinder Red have settled into their class and school routines with gusto and made lots of new friends along the way.

It has been a very busy term and it amazes me how well Kinder Red are following our school routines and enjoying extra activities such as Crazy Hair Day and the Life Education Van visit. We learnt lots of new things about healthy living from our visit to Healthy Harold on Monday and had lots of fun too!

We are learning about our You Can Do It keys and how we use them both in the classroom and the playground. We are focusing on using our ‘Getting Along’ key and learning how to get along nicely in work and play activities.

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