Monday 14th March, 2016

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

Every year Australia comes together to celebrate our country’s cultural diversity on Harmony Day. The day is about sending the message of inclusiveness, respect and a sense of belonging for all. This year’s theme is Our Diversity Is Our Strength and that everyone belongs. Alexandria Park will be celebrating the day with the following:

**K – 6 Assembly:** Our assembly will be held in the Denzil at 11.40. We will have guest speakers from Teachers for Refugees and the Asylum Seekers Resource Centre (ASRC), we will also be watching a short video and a group of students will be performing an item.

**Food**
A sausage sizzle and milkshake stall will be taking place on the day during Lunch 2 which commences at 1:40pm. There will be both chicken and beef sausages (Halal). Sausages will be $2 and milkshakes $3. Sausages will need to be pre-ordered. Please return the slip below with payment to your child’s classroom teacher.

**P & C Fundraising event**
The P&C will be running a cake stall on the day at Lunch 1. They will be selling a variety of sweets at a reasonable cost.

**Donations**
The SRC are asking families to provide donations of clothing, picture books and toys (no weapons) for the school to donate to Red Cross and dry foods (rice, pasta, grains) for the ASRC. All donations can be given to the front office on Harmony Day for the SRC to organise.

**Gondwana Choir Workshop**
The Gondwana Indigenous Children’s Choir will be running a free music workshop for Indigenous students from Years 3-9 from 10.00-11.00. Students will participate in a range of fun singing and movement activities. Interested students need to return their permission note to Ms Winfield as soon as possible to confirm a place.

**Classroom Activities**
During the day students will work in K-6 mixed groups to rotate around activities led by classroom teachers. The countries they will be visiting will be Fiji, Japan, Norway, Mexico, Italy, India, China & Egypt.

**Out of Uniform**
Students are allowed to wear their cultural colours, national dress or orange clothing (the colour representing harmony).

Yours Sincerely,

Debra Lade
Deputy Principal

Please return the slip below if you would like your child to order a sausage on the day by no later than **Friday 18th March**:

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**Sausage Sizzle Order Form**

My child ___________________________ of class __________________

[ ] Beef sausage  [ ] Chicken sausage

I have included payment of ___________________________ with my order