Cultural Experiences

There are many opportunities throughout the year for social interactions and integration, as we maintain a close association with community organisations such as Expanded Horizons, Multicultural Family Organisation, The Migrant Centre, and The Smith Family. These community based organisations provide invaluable support—for example, providing our students with opportunities such as attending swimming and surfing lessons, joining a homework club, going away on camping trips, and the opportunity to apply for various scholarships. Our students are also given the opportunity to meet many native Australian animals during the annual school visit from Wildlife Rangers.

Each year, we also celebrate Harmony Day, which highlights the multicultural diversity that exists here at Keebra Park State High School. Maya Angelou once said that “we all should know that diversity makes for a rich tapestry and we must understand that all the threads of the tapestry are equal in value no matter what their colour.” Equity is the heartbeat of our EAL/D Unit. We do our best to ensure that every student feels valued, nurtured, and encouraged to make the most of every opportunity.

Harmony Day

Harmony Day is celebrated on March 21st every year across the country. Here at Keebra Park State High School, we dedicate one full week to celebrate the diverse cultural backgrounds of our students. Each year, students have the opportunity to participate in a variety of events, competitions, and cultural displays. Students have the opportunity to:

- Contribute their artworks to the annual Harmony Day Art Competition;
- Organise a bake sale to share the foods of their culture;
- Choreograph a traditional dance item or prepare a song; and
- Participate in the annual Students versus Teachers Harmony Day Soccer Match.

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Harmony Day is a celebration of all the different cultures in the world. It is important to celebrate different cultures because Australia is a very multicultural land, and the Australian people have good relationships with other peoples. I most enjoyed the presentations that celebrated the different cultures here at Keebra because we learnt that every culture is special.