

Social Justice

Celebrating Multiculturalism



Years 1 & 2

Your students will learn about the traditions, celebrations, music and cuisine of groups that make up multicultural Australia. They consider the importance of acceptance, understanding, respect and fairness as they create mobiles. Your students will work as a class to collate an 'Embracing Multiculturalism Book'.

Rationale

As a member of a multicultural society, we are more likely to be fair when we understand and value the similarities and differences between cultures.

Essential questions

- What do different cultural groups contribute to Australia?
- How can we appreciate and get the most out of living in a multicultural society?
- In what ways can we treat all people fairly and with respect?

Glossary

acceptance, country, culture, different, fair, kindness, language, migrant, respect, same, tradition, understanding

Rich assessment task

Students will research two countries and consider what food that they would like to taste, clothes that they would like to wear, a greeting or common expression that they would like to learn and a celebration that they would like to attend. They will compile their research into an 'Embracing Multiculturalism Book'.

Future action

Through an immersion into a range of cultural experiences, your students will develop an appreciation of multicultural Australia. They will embrace the different foods and traditions from cultures other than their own. They will show respect for those who sound, look and act differently to themselves. They will understand that although we are all different, we all hold very similar values, with love, friendship and care for the family being highly regarded in all cultures.