## Building reconciliation in your school shows your respect for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples and Cultures.

Begin your journey...

## FIVE DIMENSIONS OF RECONCILIATION



Overcome racism with a positive two-way relationships built on trust & respect.



EQUITY & EQUALITY

Renew focus on Closing the Gap with Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Australians participating equally & equitably in all areas of life.



HISTORICAL ACCEPTANCE Widespread acceptance of our nation's history & agreement that the wrongs of the past will never be repeated.

UNITY Australia's First Peoples cultures & heritage are a valued & recognised part of a shared national identity & recognised in our Constitution.



INSTITUTIONAL INTEGRITY The active support of reconciliation by the nation's political, business & community structures.

www.reconciliationnsw.org.au

## Start the conversation in your school

How many checklist actions can you tick?

| Do you display the Aboriginal and the Torres Strait<br>Islander Flag?                   | Do you build relationships with local Elders, Aboriginal artists and story tellers. Invite them to your school? |
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| Do you recognise the Traditional Custodians of the land? <ul> <li>On signage</li> </ul> | Do you visit local Aboriginal sites of significance?  |
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- In acknowledgement of Country at important school events
- On the school website
- Do you commemorate or celebrate Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples history and contributions? You can do this by holding events for:
- The Schools Reconciliation Challenge
- National Apology Day
- National Sorry Day
- National Reconciliation Week
- NAIDOC Week
- Do you build awareness and understanding of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples history and culture for students and staff?

- Aboriginal languages, or consider re-naming parts of your school environment?
- Have you considered making a mural to represent Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples culture, stories or history?
- Do you have a Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP)? There are 39 RAP actions that relate to respect, relationships and opportunities to help you commit to reconciliation. For more information, go to www.narragunnawali.org.au
- Do you take action against racism? Build awareness of racism, its impacts, and how to respond effectively.

