



2023 SCHOOLS Reconciliation Challenge

Building Reconciliation in your school shows YOUR RESPECT FOR ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT Islander peoples and cultures.

Begin your journey...

## **FIVE DIMENSIONS OF RECONCILIATION**



RACE RELATIONS Overcome racism with a 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.



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



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



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

## Start the conversation in your school. How many checklist actions can you tick?

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- you display the Aboriginal and the Torres ait Islander Flag?
- Do you build relationships with local Elders, Aboriginal artists and story tellers? Invite them to your school?
- Do you visit local Aboriginal sites of significance?

Do you recognise the Traditional Custodians of the land?

- On signage
- 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:

- 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 cultures for students and staff?

## www.reconcilationnsw.org.au

- Do you encourage students and staff to learn about local 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' cultures, stories or history?
- Do you have a Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP)? There are 40 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.

