

Anniversary of National Apology Day 13 February

Background:

The Anniversary of the National Apology acknowledges that on 13 February 2008, Prime Minister Kevin Rudd made a formal apology to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, particularly to the Stolen Generations. Members of the Stolen Generations, along with their families and communities were impacted by government policies of forced child removal and forced assimilation.

For more information visit: National Apology Day

Physical Activity: Aboriginal music

Select Aboriginal musicians and music to share in class. Music can be contemporary or traditional. Encourage children to dance and move to the music. Facilitate discussions about music and dance, like how does it make me feel or when do I like to listen to music?

Healthy Eating: Aboriginal food diorama

Combine craft and culture with this activity where children make a diorama to represent the local environment, including animals, plants, and water. Yarn with children about land conservation and caring for country practices. Invite an Elder or community member in to speak about local caring for country practices, including food collection activities.

Refer to the <u>accompanying guide</u> for guidance on how to implement these activities in your service.







