

# International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples

## 9 August

## **Background:**

The International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples celebrates the rich cultures of Indigenous peoples, raises awareness of the challenges they face, and encourages action to support their rights, inclusion, and well-being. The day is celebrated annually on the 9<sup>th</sup> August.

Globally, there are an estimated 476 million Indigenous people across 90 countries, representing around 5% of the world's population. In Australia, nearly 800,000 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people make up approximately 3% of the national population.

This day provides an important opportunity to **honour the culture**, **history**, **and ongoing contributions of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples** to Australia's past, present, and future.

For more information visit: International Day of the World's Indigenous People

#### Physical Activity: Taba Naba

Join in singing and dancing to <u>Taba Naba</u> with The Wiggles and Christine Anu during group time to explore the **Torres Strait Islander language** and learn **traditional dance movements** through song. It's also a great way to support the development of bilateral coordination, as the actions encourage children to cross their midline while they move.

#### Little Yarns by ABC Kids

<u>Little Yarns</u> is a co-listening podcast series designed for preschoolers. it is perfect for families to enjoy together at home or as a listening resource in early learning centres.

The series celebrates the diverse languages, stories, and Countries of Indigenous Australia and offers a fun and engaging way for young children to connect with First Nations cultures.











