

RYDALMERE

New wave of young Aussies

HARMONY DAY A COLOURFUL CELEBRATION



Husna Omarzal, 6, Giovanna Phang, 4, Hilal Saffie, 5, Priscilla Moon, 4, Terry Tahatos, 7, and Misha Kim, 4, celebrated Harmony Day at Rydalmere Public School. Picture: JOHN FOTIADIS

Caryn Metcalfe

STUDENTS at Rydalmere Public School dressed up in their national costume for Harmony Day last Tuesday.

The entire school took part in activities, including planting a garden of their handprints and enjoying a multicultural feast.

Principal Bek Zadow said they also planted an orange tree. "It was a tradition that started last year in relation

to Harmony Day, with the colour being orange," she said. "They did their first planting last year and it was just a class that did it, but because we wanted it to be a tradition, everyone knew about it and we did it with the whole school.

"If we continue, in a few years we should have a nice little orange orchard that shows we're a multicultural school and celebrate our differences."

Mrs Zadow also arranged for an African Drumming and Dance Explosion performance.

She said Harmony Day celebrations brought the school's cultures together.

"It makes us appreciate as a school community exactly what our variety has to offer in a positive way," she said.

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