




Irish National Multicultural Awareness Week

November 8th - 12th





As Edmund Rice schools, we promote equality and a place where newcomers feel welcome and included. We have a great focus on being schools of sanctuary for the students. In the student leadership conference in March (2021) we discussed ways we can have a more welcoming environment in our school. One overwhelming idea was to have a multicultural week, and we want to combine that idea with all the ERST schools to have one week altogether.

We are inviting all ERST schools to join us in celebrating the beautiful cultural diversity within our schools. By hosting a multicultural awareness week in your school.



The Idea

- All schools would be having the Multicultural Awareness Week on the actual same week
 - Leaving the idea very open so each school can uniquely personalise for their schools needs
- Individually plan and brainstorm ways to spread awareness in your school
- Everyday of the week having a specific activity or 'theme' (example timetable)

Multicultural Awareness Week

sample agenda :)

Monday

Art Day

- Make/hang posters
 - Flag Bunting
 - Make decorations from festivals and holidays from different countries
- (use art class to create things)

Tuesday

Sports Day

- Class Groups divided into teams and are given a country (World Cup)
 - Soccer
 - Basketball
 - Sprints
 - Ext.

Wednesday

Get to know my Story

- Cultural Quiz
 - Flag Bingo
 - Speed Rounds
- (make and show a short school film of students stories)

Thursday

Cooking Day

- Have everyone bring in traditional foods
- Set up displays with pictures, art, music, memorabilia items, ext.

Friday

Music

- Play a song before class with an introduction (possibly in their home language)
- Music Bingo