



# **NORTHLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL**

## ***Firm Foundations, Future Learnings***

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Date: 14 July 2017

Letter to Parents : 93 / 2017 (All Students) **updated**

Through The Principal

Dear Parent,

### **RACIAL HARMONY DAY 2017 – “The Singapore Way”**

On 21 July 1964, Singapore witnessed the racial riots. Racial Harmony Day serves to remind us that:

- It is important for us to be friends with people of other races and religions.
- In Singapore, people are treated equally regardless of their race and religion.
- It is essential to appreciate the different cultures that make up Singapore.

The theme for this year is “The Singapore Way”. As we make the journey from tolerating differences to embracing diversity, our Singapore identity continues to develop. It is important that Racial Harmony is part of this identity and way of life. We continually strive to deepen bonds across and amongst communities. It is important that our youth, on whose shoulders our future lies, make racial harmony a key aspect of their hopes and dreams for what Singapore is and could be.

Our school will commemorate Racial Harmony Day on **Friday, 21 July 2017**. All staff and students are strongly encouraged to put on **cross-ethnic costumes**. There will be a best-dressed competition for students during morning assembly.

As part of the commemoration, we will be organizing recess activities for all students on that day. During recess, students will learn more about the traditional ways of festival celebration of the various races.

We would like to take this opportunity to encourage you to reiterate the importance of Racial Harmony to your child by discussing with them the roles each of us play as citizens of Singapore. We should understand Singapore’s unique challenges, constraints and vulnerabilities and develop a sense of unity and pride as Singaporeans.

Thank you.

**MRS JOYCE LOW**  
**Northland Primary School**

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