Building reconciliation in your school shows your respect for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and cultures.

Begin your journey...

**FIVE DIMENSIONS OF RECONCILIATION**

- **RACE RELATIONS**
  - Overcome racism with a positive two-way relationships built on trust & respect.

- **EQUITY & EQUALITY**
  - Renew focus on Closing the Gap with Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Australians participating equally & equitably in all areas of life.

- **UNITY**
  - Australia’s First Peoples cultures & heritage are a valued & recognised part of a shared national identity & recognised in our Constitution.

- **HISTORICAL ACCEPTANCE**
  - Widespread acceptance of our nation’s history & agreement that the wrongs of the past will never be repeated.

- **INSTITUTIONAL INTEGRITY**
  - The active support of reconciliation by the nation’s political, business & community structures.

To learn more about each of the dimensions visit www.reconciliation.org.au/what-is-reconciliation/

**Start the conversation in your school**

How many checklist actions can you tick?

- Do you display the Aboriginal and the Torres Strait Islander Flag?

- Do you recognise the Traditional Custodians of the land?
  - On signage
  - In acknowledgement of Country at important school events
  - On the school website

- Do you commemorate or celebrate Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples’ history and contributions? You can do this by holding events for:
  - Schools Reconciliation Challenge
  - National Apology Day
  - National Sorry Day
  - National Reconciliation Week
  - NAIDOC Week

- Do you build awareness and understanding of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples’ history and cultures for students and staff?

- Do you build relationships with local Elders, Aboriginal artists and story tellers? Invite them to your school?

- Do you visit local Aboriginal sites of significance?

- Do you encourage students and staff to learn about local Aboriginal languages, or consider re-naming parts of your school environment?

- Have you considered making a mural to represent Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples’ cultures, stories or history?

- Do you have a Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP)? There are 40 RAP actions that relate to respect, relationships and opportunities to help you commit to reconciliation.
  - For more information, go to https://www.naragunnawali.org.au/rap/actions

- Do you take action against racism? Build awareness of racism, its impacts, and how to respond effectively.