



Dear Parents/ Guardians,

Our school will be celebrating Languages Week in Week 8 Term 3. During Languages Week we would like to raise awareness of the benefits of language learning, highlight the linguistic diversity in our community and celebrate the work of our students.

Learning a language encompasses much more than language proficiency. Knowing a language means knowing about the culture that is the foundation of that language.

Our world is becoming increasingly interconnected and interdependent. Language learning is an essential skill for life in the 21st century and it helps us to broaden personal, social, cultural and employment opportunities. More than 270 languages and dialects are spoken in Western Australia today and Languages Week provides an opportunity to explore and celebrate language learning.

As part of Languages Week we would like to produce a video that shows the diverse languages spoken at our school. If you are happy for your child to participate in the video and share a sentence in their native language, please translate and practise the sentence below and fill in the permission form below. **Please return this form to the front office by Friday, 7 August 2020**

“Hello, my name is _____. I speak _____.”

Translation: _____

Kind regards,

Lisa Merta, German Teacher

Languages Week 2020 Video Permission Form

My child may participate in the Language Week 2020 Video *[please tick if you agree]*

Child's full name: _____

Language spoken at home (other than English): _____

Translation of phrase: _____

Parent/guardian's full name: _____

Parent/guardian's signature: _____

Date of signing: _____