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## **AUSTRALIA DAY IS FAST APPROACHING** **COMMUNITY LANGUAGES SCHOOLS GET INVOLVED!!**

Australia Day is fast approaching January 26, 2009.

Community Languages Australia encourages all its members, the thousands of schools, students, teachers and the communities around Australia to get involved in the celebrations.

We have so much to celebrate in Australia so much to be proud of.

Community Languages Australia Executive Director Stefan Romaniw OAM is one 125 Australian Day Ambassadors and at a recent event Victorian Premier The Hon John Brumby presented Mr Romaniw a certificate appointing him a *Life Ambassador for Australia Day*. Mr Romaniw has also recently been appointed a member of the Victorian Australia Day Committee

“This is a great time to reflect. Think about where we are, how we can contribute to make life better for those around and us and for ourselves!

During this Australia Day let’s reflect on issues of respect.” Mr Romaniw said

Respecting our indigenous people of this land,  
Respect in forging closer relations as communities around Australia, around our State, around our local community, around suburb and street’  
Think about how our community languages school and the mainstream school communities can work together to strengthen respect and cooperation.  
Respect that allows us to treat others as we would like them to treat us” Mr Romaniw said

“Respecting our elders our seniors, for they have done much to make Australia what is!

Respect for the many diverse cultures that make up great society

Respect for democracy and my commitment to making it work!

Respect for citizenship and committing to Australia, actively working in our communities to build bridges “Mr Romaniw said

“Many of us are involved in community activity through volunteering - Let’s be givers – Cheerful givers! Continue and strengthen this great ethos!

To our younger members, don’t be afraid to give of yourself – It’s a great feeling when you can do something for someone, make someone happy, show someone respect and to at times hear the words *Thank you!*

It probably beats many other feelings and emotions that you are exposed to – To do something for some one certainly is a great experience and feeling! Mr Romaniw said

There are many activities leading up to and on Australia Day Be part of it! Celebrate what’s great!

What’s’ on

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