

MESSAGE FROM THE PRIME MINISTER

EID UL-FITR

I am pleased to send my best wishes to Muslims in Australia and across the world who are celebrating Eid ul-Fitr.

Australian Muslims will join millions around the world in celebrating the festival of Eid at the end of the holy month of Ramadan.

By fasting, and through acts of charity, Ramadan encourages Muslims to remember those less fortunate than themselves.

Beginning with the sighting of the new moon, Eid ul-Fitr celebrates the end of Ramadan.

Eid ul-Fitr is one of the most joyous days in the Islamic calendar and is characterised by compassion, gratitude and generosity.

The breaking of the fast is a time of joy to be shared with family and friends.

Australia has long been an exemplar of how people of different faiths and cultures can live harmoniously together and find unity in diversity.

I send my best wishes to everyone celebrating Eid ul-Fitr.

Eid Mubarak.

The Hon Tony Abbott MP Prime Minister of Australia

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