All are welcome at this school where diversity is celebrated and songs, stories, talents, and traditions are shared.


Read Across America this month:
Start the school year off right when you welcome students and families with books and reading fun! When you share All Are Welcome, you deliver the important message that school is the place where every child is welcome. Follow the example in this book and host a community-building back-to-school event that opens opportunities for talking about individual differences, diversity, and how we can learn from each other and have fun together even if we are different. Include a reading of All Are Welcome at a back-to-school potluck picnic along with:
• students and parents making welcome banners to decorate your school
• a photo booth with props that say “welcome” in all the major languages spoken in your community
• an opportunity for families to sign up for a public library card
Plan ahead for more Read Across America reading fun:

Work with parent and community groups to host a multicultural festival that celebrates reading and opens windows on the world. Set up stations for students and families to learn more about cultural diversity in your community and around the world. Food, clothing, music, games, stories (including titles in this calendar) and performances give families the opportunity to taste, see, smell, and hear the richness of world cultures. Plan this event for Read Across America Day in March and follow the fun by providing a variety of multicultural titles that families can choose and take home to keep or check out from your school library.

Find more titles and resources to set the tone for the school year at readacrossamerica.org