



THE ROYAL COMMONWEALTH SOCIETY
AT THE COMMONWEALTH CLUB

COMMONWEALTH DAY 2012

An extra special multi-cultural celebration for the Diamond Jubilee year.

2 BILLION PEOPLE. 54 COUNTRIES.

ONE VERY SPECIAL CELEBRATION.

JOIN US FOR COMMONWEALTH DAY 2012.

WHAT IS IT?

Every year, on the second Monday in March, 54 countries join together in celebration of the links they share as members of one diverse and dynamic global family - the modern Commonwealth.

In your school or youth group, you can celebrate Commonwealth Day wherever you live!

1. Get creative and take part in the digital Diamond Jubilee gift for the Queen. The **Jubilee Time Capsule** is a unique collection of memories from people all over the Commonwealth and your school or youth group can take part until 6th June 2012 here: www.jubileetimecapsule.org. Tell your story to the Queen!
2. Test your Commonwealth knowledge in a **quick quiz** at www.youngcommonwealth.org/game-1
3. Be a leader for the day and debate global issues like inequality and maternal health in a **Model Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting** – find out how at www.thercs.org/youth/summits (you can also download a “taking part guide”, some lesson plans and a student activity book.)
4. Listen to the **Queen’s Commonwealth Day Message** and discuss it with your friends. What would you say if you could address the world?
5. Get together with your classmates, wear the colours of different Commonwealth county flags and organise a Sport’s Day... or your own **Commonwealth Games!**
6. Organise a **Commonwealth Feast** with lots of tasty foods from around the world.
7. Thousands of different **languages** are spoken around the Commonwealth – learn to say ‘hello’ in five of them



- Learn about other Commonwealth countries or this year's Commonwealth Day **theme** and tell your school all about it in an assembly (www.commonwealththeme.org). The Commonwealth Day Observance takes a different theme each year and, in 2012 – the year of Her Majesty's Diamond Jubilee – it will be '**Connecting Cultures**'.
- Download the full [teaching resources pack](#) on the Commonwealth and the Millennium Development Goals called "Antigua to Zambia: Getting to Know Your Commonwealth".

