



PRIME MINISTER

MESSAGE FROM THE PRIME MINISTER

AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL FLAG DAY

Each year on 3 September Australians commemorate the day in 1901 when we first flew our National Flag.

It's a day to unite around our shared love of this nation, and our shared hope in its future. It's a moment to consider our history, and to remember the people and events that have shaped our nation's story.

I'm always very proud to stand beside the Australian flag, and to celebrate the nation we have become – a place of fairness and unity, freedom and prosperity, built on the resilience and skills of our people.


Seeing our national flag held aloft by Jess Fox and Eddie Ockenden at the Opening Ceremony of the Paris Olympics was a thrilling moment for our people and a proud tribute to our modern, diverse and democratic nation.

Australia is the greatest country on Earth. And we have what it takes to make Australia even greater still.

We live in the fastest growing region of the world, and we have extraordinary natural resources. The talent and determination of our people are second to none. We work hard and dream big. Our diversity is a national treasure, and our nation is home to the oldest continuous living culture on earth.

The opportunities before us are unparalleled. In that spirit, I encourage Australians to work together with renewed energy and confidence to build an even better future for ourselves and generations to come.

This is the Australia that our forebears dreamed of when they unfurled our nation's flag 123 years ago. This is the nation we celebrate today.



The Hon Anthony Albanese MP
Prime Minister of Australia

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