



PRIME MINISTER

MESSAGE FROM THE PRIME MINISTER

VESAK

To all members of Australia's Buddhist community, I send my best wishes for a joyful and inspiring Vesak.

This celebration of the birth, enlightenment and passing of the Lord Buddha is a time of great spiritual significance; a moment to unite as a community and reaffirm your commitment to your faith.

In whatever way you mark this special day – from sharing food and singing hymns, to hanging lanterns and visiting the temple – the treasured traditions of Vesak honour your history, faith and identity.

Vesak is also a reminder of the vibrant diversity of our multicultural society, and the enriching influence Buddhist values and insights have on Australian life.

Ideals of peace and goodwill, of compassion and regard for others – these are important not only to those of the Buddhist faith, but to all Australians.

With these thoughts in mind, I wish everyone a wonderful Vesak.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Anthony Albanese'.

The Hon Anthony Albanese MP
Prime Minister of Australia

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