

A group of diverse children are reaching up to touch a large, realistic globe of the Earth. The globe is held high above their heads, and their hands are spread across its surface. The background is a clear, bright blue sky. The children are wearing casual clothing, including green shirts.

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# World Children's Day

World Children's Day was first established by the United Nations in 1954 as Universal Children's Day. It is celebrated on November 20 each year to promote international awareness of children's rights and to inspire everyone to work on behalf of upholding children's rights and improving child welfare worldwide.

Around the world, millions of children are denied their rights and deprived of everything they need to grow up healthy and strong because of their place of birth or their family of origin; because of their race, ethnicity, or gender; or because they live in poverty or with a disability, according to the UN.

As such, World Children's Day is a reminder to adults that to create a better future, they must address issues that threaten the well-being of younger generations, including climate change, poverty and hunger, access to health care and education, and racism and discrimination.

## Resources:

United Nations: [www.un.org/en/observances/world-childrens-day](http://www.un.org/en/observances/world-childrens-day)

UNICEF: [www.unicef.org/world-childrens-day](http://www.unicef.org/world-childrens-day)

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