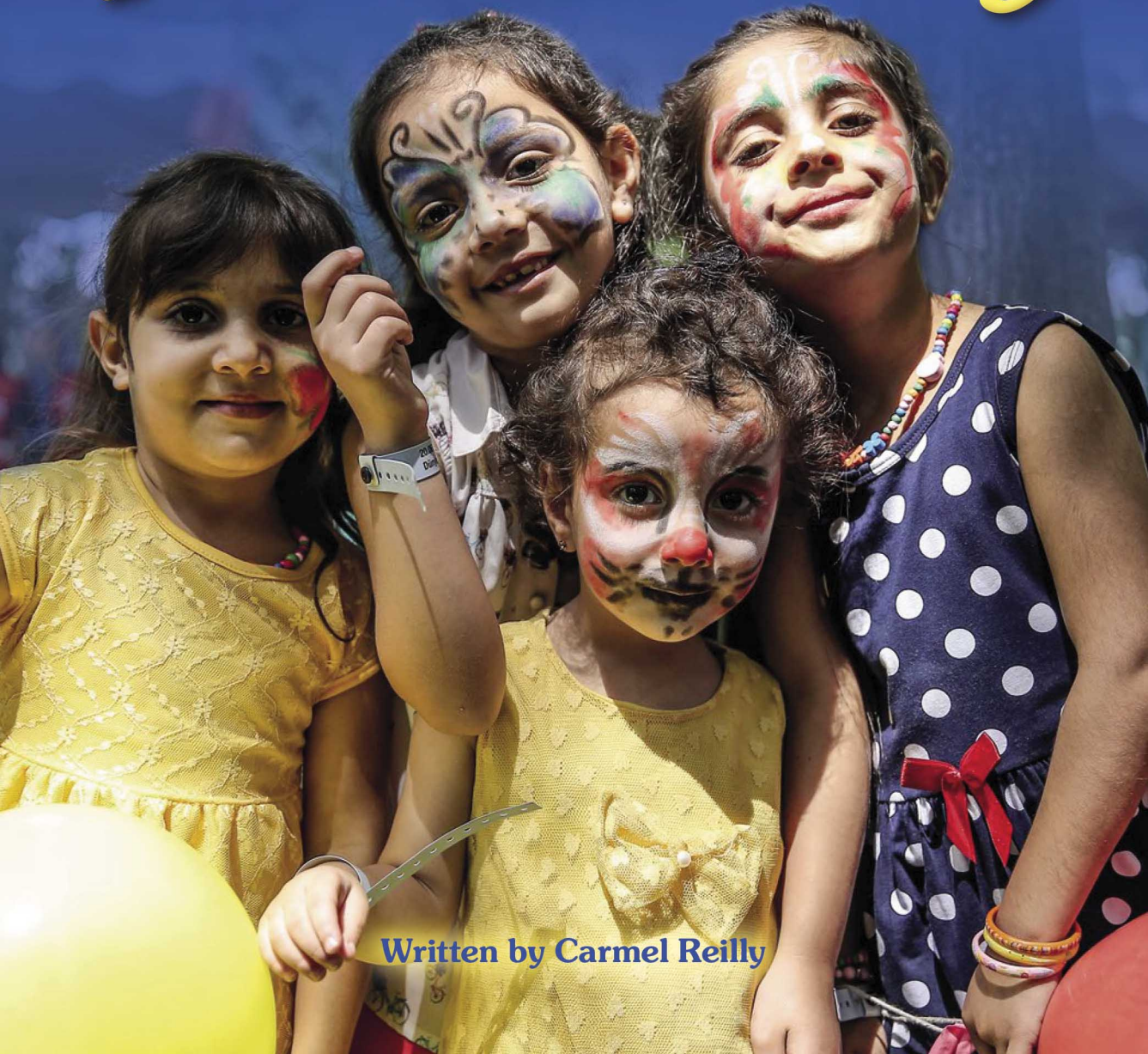
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Why Take Part in World Refugee Day?

World Refugee Day is on 20 June every year. This date was chosen by the **United Nations** in 2001 to help us learn more about refugees. Refugees are people who leave their homes to look for safety in another country. They leave because they are threatened by war, disasters or **persecution**.

I believe it is important to take part in World Refugee Day because it is a great opportunity to learn about refugees. World Refugee Day gives us information to help us understand why people become refugees. We can learn about where they come from and where they will go next. We can see what refugees bring to their new communities. World Refugee Day also reminds us that we are all responsible for refugees and tells us how we can help.

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World Refugee Day in Turkey.

Learning about Refugees

Taking part in World Refugee Day helps us to learn about refugees and their experiences. Each year, many community groups and schools organise special events for World Refugee Day. There are also programs on the radio and TV.



This African refugee is speaking to the media about the difficulty of finding housing.

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Many refugees left Somalia, in Africa, to escape drought and conflict between 2011 and 2014.

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What is it Like to be a Refugee?

Refugees often have to leave their homes quickly without taking money or belongings. When they reach a new country, they have no homes or jobs. Often they don't speak the local language. Many people live in refugee camps with thousands of other refugees. They must rely on **organisations** to give them food and shelter until they can return home. More than half of refugees are children. Many do not have an adult to look after them.