

Kew Primary School

Who We Are

For the first part of the term the Senior School students will be looking at the theme of 'Who We Are'. Year 6 will have a focus on how 'Leadership impacts a community and the way it functions' which will be through the Billy Cart Programme. The leadership expectations and experiences include communication, teamwork, flexibility and resilience. Year 5 will be looking at how 'Through small actions, everyone can make an impact'. Both central ideas bring in many aspects of the curriculum including Personal and Social capabilities, Design and Digital Technologies, Science, Ethics and Critical and Creative Thinking.

How The World Works

Towards the end of the Term, both Year 5 and 6 will come together to collaborate on the theme of 'How the World Works'. The students will inquire into the human impact of scientific and technological advances on society and on the environment. We will specifically be inquiring into the structure of the solar system and questioning whether habitation on another planet could be possible.



Coding has started again this term with ScopelT Education, where the students are building on previous skills and applying and integrating this into the curriculum. Please make sure you have paid for this on COMPASS.

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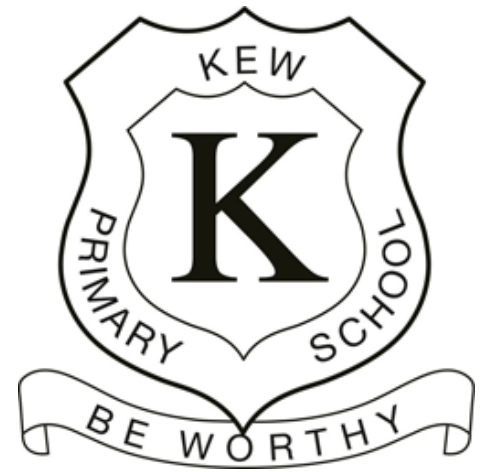
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Upcoming Events

22nd February

Interschool Sport Starts
(5weeks)

26 & 27th February

Meet the Teacher – book via
COMPASS

27th February

District Swimming

7th-11th October (Term 4)

Yr6 Canberra Camp

11th-13th November (Term4)

Yr 5 Camp

Reading

Students should be reading nightly for a minimum of 20 minutes.

In the Senior School students are becoming increasingly fluent but greater comprehension and exploration will be their point of growth.

Reading aloud with your child even in upper primary is critical and has many hidden benefits for comprehension development.

<https://www.greatschools.org/gk/articles/read-aloud-to-children/>

More Important News

Maths

The focus in Mathematics this term will be developing and strengthening our understanding of place value through rich tasks. Students will work in Targeted Maths groups to focus on foundational aspects of numbers and various problem-solving strategies.

English

Year 5

The focus in reading this term will be developing and strengthening comprehension strategies. These include making connections, predicting, questioning, self-monitoring, clarifying and summarizing. We will teach these strategies during whole class explicit teaching and reciprocal reading groups. During Library time students will be guided to 'just right' books where they are challenged to pick independent books that are not too hard or easy.

Year 6

The focus in reading this term will be Literacy Circles where students will explore features of texts to identify, describe, and discuss similarities and differences between texts. These include texts by the same author or illustrator, and evaluate characteristics that define an author's individual style. Students analyze and evaluate similarities alongside differences in texts on similar topics, themes or plots. They will also be using comprehension strategies to interpret and analyze information and ideas, comparing content from a variety of textual sources.

Inter-School Sport

Inter-school sport starts week 4. It will involve all of the Year 6 students and half of the Year 5's for Term 1 and the other half of Year 5's in Term 2. Students need to be promptly **at school at 8.40am on the Fridays** so rolls are marked and buses leave promptly by 8.55

The logo for 'Let's Sport' is written in a colorful, brush-stroke style. The word 'Let's' is in red, orange, and yellow, and 'Sport' is in green, blue, and purple.

Home Learning

Home Learning will start in Week 4 and will follow a two cycle. It will be given out on the Monday of the first week and due on the Friday of the second week. It will also be posted on Google Classroom.

Week 4 & 5

Week 6 & 7

Week 8 & 9

Home Learning will include a reading, writing, maths and inquiry component.

Number fluency will be the focus and we are trialing Sunset Math rather than Athletics for Home Learning this year.