

KEW PRIMARY SCHOOL



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Kew Primary School acknowledges the Wurundjeri people, Traditional Custodians of the land on which we gather today, and we pay our respects to their Elders past present and aspiring.

Diary Dates	
February	
Tues 27	School Photos
Wed 28	Parent/Teacher Meeting: 3.40pm - 6pm
Thurs 29	Sibling Photos Parent/ Teacher Meeting: 3.40pm - 6pm Peppercorn BBQ: 4 - 6pm
March	
Fri 1	Assembly - 3pm Uniform Shop 2.30 - 3.30pm
Mon 11	Labour Day - Public Holiday
Tues 12	Preps at School Full Time MiniBOSS Incursion—Yr 3
Wed 13	Yr 3 & 5 Naplan (Writing) Yr 3 Naplan (Reading)
Thurs 14	Yr 5 Naplan (Reading) Yr 3 & 5 Naplan Convention of Language)
Fri 15	Yr 3 & 5 Naplan (Numeracy) Assembly - 3pm Uniform Shop 2.30 - 3.30pm

Term Dates 2024

9:15am

Parent Helper Course -

Thurs 21

Term 1: 29 Jan - 28 March Term 2: 15 Apr - 28 June Term 3: 15 July - 20 Sept Term 4: 7 Oct - 20 Dec

Curriculum Days 2024

Term 1: Thursday 28 March
Term 2 Friday 7 June
Term 3: Friday 26 July (variation to school day-3 Way conference)
Term 4: Monday 4 November

Message from the Principal

I would like to extend a warm welcome to all families as we begin an exciting year of learning at Kew Primary School. If you are new to our Kewmmunity, we are so pleased that you have joined us and hope you enjoy the learning journey. We would like to especially acknowledge our new Foundation (Prep) students and their families and congratulate you on successfully completing the first few weeks at Primary School.

As a school our focus is on promoting learning growth for all students across the entire <u>Victorian Curriculum</u>. The Victorian Curriculum F–10 sets out what every student should learn during their first eleven years of schooling. The curriculum is the common set of knowledge and skills required by students for life-long learning, social development and active and informed citizenship. At KPS developing literate, numerate, happy and engaged learners is very important to us and we employ the Inquiry methodology outlined in the <u>International Baccalaureate Primary Years Programme</u> (IBPYP) to help us get there. Our staff look forward to working with you to meet these goals.

There are several planned community events in the coming weeks that have been scheduled to celebrate the start of the new school year, share information, and build community. These include:

- A very special Welcome to Country took place on Thursday 1st February
 with Arbup Peters leading this beautiful ceremony for our students, staff
 and families that could attend. It was such a privilege for us to learn more
 about the Wurundjeri people and the lands on which our school is located.
- Parent / Teacher meetings will be held on Wednesday 28th February and Thursday 29th February at which time important information about your child's learning can be shared with the teacher. Families should be aware that these conversations last for about 10 minutes so if more time is needed a longer meeting should be scheduled for another time.
- The Peppercorn BBQ will also be held on Thursday 29th February and will run from 4.00pm to 6.00pm to coincide with our Parent/Teacher meetings. All families are welcome to come along after school to buy a snag, a drink and icy pole and enjoy the company of other Kew families.

Our school collects, uses, discloses and stores student and parent personal information for standard school functions or where permitted by law, as stated in the Schools' privacy policy. Please take time to read our school's collection notice, found on our website. We ask parents and carers to review the guidance we provide on how we use Microsoft 365 for Education safely at the school and what parents can do to further protect their child's information. If after reviewing the guidance, you have any questions or concerns regarding your child using Microsoft 365 please contact the school. For more information about privacy, refer to: Schools' Privacy Policy Schools' privacy policy: information for parents (education.vic.gov.au) . This information is also available in ten community languages: * Amharic, * Arabic,* Dari,* Gujarati,* Mandarin,* Somali, * Sudanese,* Turkish,* Urdu and* Vietnamese

This newsletter is produced and distributed on Compass fortnightly and is one of the ways that we work towards building a strong home/school partnership. Throughout the year information about events and activities will be included as well as insights into the programs and pedagogy (learning and teaching approaches) being implemented at Kew Primary School.

Pete deWacht

Principal

Dear Parent / Carers

Thank you to those of you who have already volunteered to be a Class Rep for your child's class. This is a very special and important role that not only enables you to be become more involved with your child's class but also with the school community.

As a Class Rep all you need to do is distribute your new Class Friendship List which I will provide you with and create your class WhatsApp group. The Class Friendship List and WhatsApp group enables us to keep in contact with one another and for the class children and parents/carers to keep in touch with another. You are also encouraged to arrange at least one social activity per term which could be a morning tea, after school play at the park, school holiday social events, dinners, movie night etc. There are so many ideas of things you can choose to do with your class. The PTA will also request some help from you with various events that are run throughout the year.

Ideally, we need two class reps per class so this is perfect to do with a friend and it's a very easy and rewarding role.

There are currently no class reps for the following classes:

PAA, PDP, PEL, 1LK, 1NO, 2KB, 2NC. 3CL, 3MD, 3MS, 4AB, 5CB, 5DB, 6JS, 6SD

There is currently 1 class rep for the following classes:

PSA, 4CA, 4EW, 5AC

If you have not already volunteered and would like to do so or if you would like more information, please email Amelia Horne at ameliapeel@hotmail.com our Class Rep Coordinator with your name, your child's name and class and your mobile number.

Amelia

2024 Class Representative Coordinator

Been meaning to check out the Kew Primary school 2nd Hand Uniform Shop?

Well, two more chances this term.

Open 2.30 – 3.30, every school assembly.

Term 1:

Friday 1st March &

Friday 15th March

ALL ITEMS \$5 - Clothes, bags, hats, everything you need.

The shop is located inside the Main Building between the Gym and the front office. (Look for the clothes rack and ask one of our friendly assistants for directions.)

We are currently overflowing with donations and would love a few extra helpers for our next session (Fri 1st March) to sort and fold.

If you are available, please come along just after 2 (no prior notice needed).



Lastly, we would also like to say a massive (and slightly late!) thank you to everyone who was involved in the shop last year (all shoppers, donate-ers and volunteers).

Together we raised just over \$4K for the school.

(That is 800 items reused by the school community.)

THANK YOU and hope the shop is even more of a success in 2024.



2024 Photo Day Online Order Instructions

Dear Parents and Students of Kew Primary School,

Your school photo day is on 27-02-2024 and your school prefers orders to be placed online. It is important that the ordering instructions below are followed, and all students are photographed regardless of purchase.

** IMPORTANT PLEASE NOTE - ONLINE ORDERING FOR SIBLING PHOTOS WILL CUT OFF ON 28-02-2024 **

ONLINE ORDERING: Your child's school photos are now available for secure online purchase only

4 EASY STEPS TO ONLINE SCHOOL PHOTO ORDERING

Step 1: Click Here. - Click on this link if you are using a supported device - OR - Go to www.advancedlife.com.au before photo day and enter your school code [87G 1R5 HPG]

Step 2: Enter your student's details

Step 3: Choose the package that best suits your needs (all orders will be delivered to the school for collection)

Step 4: Pay for the photos via the shopping cart (upper right corner of the page)

**Online Orders have a 1.5% merchant fee applied when using Visa, Mastercard or PayPal.

Please note: If you miss photo day, portrait and group packages can still be ordered online for 7 days afterwards with no late fees. After that time, late orders will require separate processing and handling and therefore will incur a \$15.00 late fee per package.

FAMILY / SIBLING PHOTOS:

EASY ONLINE FAMILY / SIBLING PHOTO ORDERING

- Go to www.advancedlife.com.au before photo day and enter your school code [87G 1R5 HPG]
- Family/Sibling photo orders online close on 28-02-2024

Please Note: A portrait and a class group photograph will be taken of every student at the school, regardless of purchase. Photographs of your children taken as part of a class group are only permitted to be distributed within their own class. Your child's name will appear on the class group photo. If you <u>DO NOT</u> wish your child to be photographed, please contact your school office with your instructions prior to Photo Day.

Please feel free to contact us via email or phone should you have any queries regarding your child's school photo order.

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RACE INTO KEW LITTLE ATHLETICS FOR 2024

Summer season **returns** Saturday February 3rd, 2024

Free come and try sessions on Saturday 3 February and Saturday 10 February for new athletes ONLY

Fees cover summer and winter Cross Country Season.

Cost: \$100

includes mid-week training and Saturday competition



One to one Teaching - Individualised Learning program

Core Skills English & Maths Program, Year 1-Year 10

Extension, Reinforcement and Remediation

Scholarship and Selective Entry Program

Assessment, Skill Development and Exam techniques

Sessions: Monday 4:00pm - 5:30pm

5.30pm - 7.00pm

Tuesday 4:00pm - 5:30pm

5.30pm - 7.00pm

Venue: Balwyn Community Centre,

412 Whitehorse Road, Balwyn





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