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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

March	
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
Wed 20	Yr 6 Billy Cart Race
Thurs 21	Classroom Helper Course - 9:15am
Wed 27	Easter Raffle Assembly - 3pm Uniform Shop 2.30 - 3.30pm
Thurs 28	Curriculum Day
April	
Mon 15	Term 2 Begins
Thur 25	ANZAC Day - Public Holiday

Message from the Principal

It certainly has been a great week of learning and teaching here at Kew Primary School and I want to thank all our students for the way you have been applying yourself to your studies. It is hard to believe that our Foundation (Prep) students will soon be attending school full time.

For those who are not yet aware we love to talk about how we can work together to promote learning growth at Kew Primary School. At the heart of the work is our learning and teaching model which has been developed by our staff over the last five years. We use the model to help us to build consistency and coherency in our pedagogy (teaching and learning) across all curriculum areas from Foundation to Year 6. The model provides the structure and phases of a lesson which are:

- Data analysis and Planning
- Whole class engagement
- Explicit Teaching
- Shared Skill Development
- Independent Skill Development
- Whole Class Plenary (Reflection stage)
- Assessment and Reporting

We will spend time in the coming weeks unpacking aspects of the model and will discuss how families can support each stage of the learning and teaching model at home.

Thanks to all families who provided such positive feedback about the parent/teacher meetings last week. This was certainly a special time where important information was shared between the home and school. Please remember that this is an ongoing conversation and our team really welcome your thoughts, feedback and encouragement.

The work on the pathway and playground area near the Junior School building is well and truly underway. It has been so exciting for us to watch through the fence as the team constructs the pathways, puts the spoon drain underground, builds retainer walls out of mud rock and logs, installs seating and transforms the space. For those who may have been a little concerned please note that the sandpit, cube and gaga pit will be available again at the completion of the works. Also please keep an eye on the works happening behind the fence near the chicken coop. The end result is going to be beautiful.

Term Dates 2024

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

A quick shout out to Klara (one of our amazing teachers) and the [Southside Flyers](#) as they had a great win on Wednesday night against the Boomers and have now progressed to the WNBL Grand Final series. Let's make sure that all of the Kewmmunity is supporting the team as they go the next level. I hope everyone has a lovely long weekend with family and friends and we look forward to seeing you on Tuesday next week.

Pete deWacht

Principal

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.





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