School Philosophy Policy

Vision:
Kew Primary School is a dynamic and supportive learning environment, enabling the school community to fulfill the academic, social, emotional and physical potential of all students. Our purpose is to develop compassionate, resilient, confident, and creative thinkers with a lifelong love of learning.

Mission:
Kew Primary School develops knowledgeable, inquiring and caring young people who strive to create an interconnected and respectful world, through cooperation, acceptance and excellence.

The School works in partnership with staff, parents, students, and the local and wider community to develop engaging and academically rigorous programs to support students to achieve their personal best.

The School strives to ensure a successful entry to and exit from school by working with pre-schools and DET secondary schools to deliver an effective transition program for students.

The School creates an inclusive environment that acknowledges and celebrates individual differences to encourage students to become interdependent, responsible, life-long learners.

Values:
Our core values of Cooperation, Acceptance, Respect and Excellence guide the decisions of all members of our school community.

Philosophy:
Kew Primary is committed to providing a holistic educational experience for all students, encouraging them to reach their full potential. The school goals are:

1. To maximize the achievement and growth of each child, in their academic, social and emotional learning.
2. To foster student agency and social responsibility with the wider world.
3. To provide a welcoming and warm culture that values and celebrates success and effort.
4. To develop a strong sense of community that celebrates and cultivates a deep respect for diversity.

Our school vision is to provide a teaching and learning environment where all students can flourish - academically, socially, and emotionally in the development of their character.

Principles And Practices Of Australian Democracy:
The programs of, and teaching in, the School will support and promote the principles and practices of Australian democracy including a commitment to:

- An elected government
- The rule of law
- Equal rights for all before the law
- Freedom of religion
- Freedom of speech and association
- The values of openness and tolerance.
Enactment of School Philosophy:

Kew Primary School believes that parents and staff, in partnership, are the essential cornerstones needed to build caring, resilient, engaged learners in the 21st century.

This partnership is strengthened by the interconnecting mortar between parent - student - teacher of acting responsibly and providing equal voice to all, in line with DET requirements.

The partnership can be represented in the Kew Cornerstone/Bricks and Mortar Diagram:

The School is committed to actively preventing and addressing bullying, including cyber bullying.

In all documents, in all practice by students and teachers, in work with the School Council and the community, in all teaching and learning programs, in all school initiatives, in all internal and external interactions, in all organizational structures and practices the vision of the school sits at the centre and there are expectations about all work aligning with the school vision. Regular evaluation processes are in place to measure performance in all areas of the school with respect to the implementation of the vision and values of the school.

Evaluation:

- This policy will be reviewed as part of the school’s three year review cycle.

This policy was ratified by School Council – September 2016

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