



# Kings Langley Public School

Excellence in Scholarship, Citizenship & Personal Development



At Kings Langley Public School we deliver an excellent education in a friendly and nurturing environment. We are especially proud of our success in literacy and numeracy teaching and our highly acclaimed music and performing arts program.

We have qualified teachers, who support innovative programs that come from being part of the largest education system in the southern hemisphere. As a NSW government school we are open and accountable in meeting local needs and statewide standards.

Our school has excellent facilities and is surrounded by attractive, landscaped grounds. We have a well-resourced library and a state-of-the art Technology Centre. Our well equipped hall supports our successful music, drama, sport, public speaking and debating programs.

Located within the school grounds is a preschool and an out of school hours centre. The out of school hours centre provides care from 7.00am to 8:30am and in the afternoons from 3pm to 6pm. Vacation care is also available during the school holidays.

Parents are invited to contact the principal and discuss how Kings Langley Public School can provide the best education for their child.



## Professional and caring teachers

Our teachers are highly qualified, skilled and dedicated. We regard each child as special and provide learning programs and enrichment activities that meet individual needs and interests. Our staff includes specialist teachers in Gifted and Talented education, English as a Second Language and Support Teacher Learning Assistance. We make sure that our teaching is inclusive of differing views and beliefs, reflective of contemporary Australian life and sensitive to the rich history shared by all Australians.

## What students learn

**English** – an emphasis on reading, writing, talking and listening builds literacy skills quickly and effectively. Students needing extra assistance are identified early and receive specialist help. We have a successful Home Reading Program and Macquarie Reading Program.

**Mathematics** – a challenging ‘real life’ problem solving approach builds positive attitudes and skills in Mathematics.

**Science** – enjoyable, meaningful opportunities are provided for students to investigate the world around them.

**Technology** – students are taught to utilise information technology to support their learning in all subjects. The school is fully networked with computers in each classroom and a specialist Technology room.

**Human Society and its Environment** – students gain understandings about people and their social and physical environments.

**Creative and Practical Arts** – our music and drama programs provide learning and performance opportunities that develop skills, self-esteem and confidence. Visual Arts and Crafts encourage creativity and foster self-expression.

**Personal Development, Health and Physical Education** – each grade is taught age-appropriate courses in personal development, nutrition, good health habits and physical education.

## Sport

Children have a choice of competitive and non-competitive sports depending on their age. The emphasis is on participation and enjoyment. Students are placed in sports houses and participate in sports carnivals during the year. Kings Langley Public School competes in inter school (PSSA) competitions in a number of sports. Our school has also been successful in AFL, Indoor Soccer and Basketball competitions.

## Values and citizenship

Through daily social interaction as well as specific learning experiences, our teachers help students develop their capacity for moral reasoning and judgement and encourage ethical behaviour and social responsibility. We offer community programs that fundraise as part of our ‘citizenship’ education. Due to our generous fundraising and community spirit we have been given recognition for our efforts. Our student representative council comprises elected students from every year group. Students develop confidence and self-esteem through participation in democratic processes and public speaking.

## Enrichment programs and activities

Students at Kings Langley Public School enrich their learning through educational excursions, visiting performances, environmental programs and opportunities to debate, perform in choirs and musical ensembles. Our gifted and talented program extends classroom learning for academically advanced students. We also provide the opportunity for children to be selected for advanced classes in Years 5 and 6.

## Caring for our students

Our student welfare policy aims to provide a safe, secure environment in which our students will achieve success in learning and develop self-confidence and positive relationships with others.

At Kings Langley Public School we believe that in order



to learn effectively, students have rights that must be respected, and, similarly, they have responsibilities to themselves and others. To instill these values we have:

### **Kings Langley's Code of Conduct:**

- Be prepared for school each day and learn all you can
- Take pride in your school and your uniform
- Play safely and consider the safety of others
- Respect other people, their rights and property
- Be truthful, caring and kind

### **This is achieved by;**

- Providing a happy ,co-operative environment conducive to learning;
- Maintaining cohesiveness through a K to 6 philosophy;
- Providing equal opportunities for all students;
- Implementing a caring, supportive pupil welfare program;
- Expecting high standards of achievement;
- Providing quality teaching/ learning programs presented by a dedicated, progressive, flexible staff;
- Promoting the professional development of staff;
- Working in partnership with the school community;
- Managing effectively;

Parents are important partners in our student welfare program and are contacted immediately by the teacher if an issue arises with their child. Parents should contact the principal if they have concerns that need further consideration. A school counsellor is available at the school two and a half days a week.

## **School uniform**

Teachers, parents and students participated in developing the Kings Langley Public School dress code and the design of the uniform. We believe the wearing of school uniform helps to promote school pride and encourages

the students to feel part of a cohesive and supportive community. We seek parent support in ensuring their child wears the appropriate uniform. No one should be disadvantaged and support may be available through the Student Assistance Scheme and the school Uniform Shop.

## **Organisation**

### **Summer Period**

- From the school year's start until Anzac Day April 25th  
Recommences Term 4.

### **Winter Period**

- From Anzac Day to the end of Term 3.

*\* Note - The principal may change these times in the event of unseasonable weather. A 'buffer' zone where winter or summer uniform may apply when necessary.*

## **Summer uniform**

### **Boys**

- Lemon polo shirt with embroidered emblem
- Bottle green shorts
- Black leather school shoes with over the ankle white socks
- Bottle green school hat

### **Girls**

- Check school dress with green tie at collar OR
- Tailored shorts with lemon polo shirt with embroidered emblem
- Black leather school shoes with over the ankle white socks
- Only green hair ribbons or school-check scrunchies or headband can be worn
- Bottle green school hat



## Winter uniform

### Boys

- Lemon polo shirt with embroidered emblem OR
- Long sleeve lemon shirt OR optional lemon skivvy
- Bottle green gabardine trousers OR school trackpants
- Zip jacket with emblem OR V neck sloppy joe with emblem
- Black leather school shoes with over the ankle white socks
- Bottle green school hat

### Girls

- Bottle green gabardine trousers OR school wool blend pinafore
- Long sleeve lemon shirt OR optional lemon skivvy
- Track pants with lemon polo shirt with embroidered emblem
- Zip jacket with emblem OR V neck sloppy joe with emblem
- Black leather school shoes with over the ankle white socks
- Bottle green school hat

Parents may order/purchase uniforms and hats from the school Uniform Shop in the canteen on Tuesdays from 8:30 - 9:30 am.

## Sports Uniform

Sport shirts and sport shorts available from Kings Langley Public School Uniform shop.

Sport shoes and white ankle socks (soccer socks available from Kings Langley Public School Uniform shop).

Track suits may be worn with sports uniform if required.

Sports tracksuits to be only worn at sports events.

General

1. It is expected that all uniforms will be in good

repair and a high standard of neatness is required.

2. Long hair must be tied back from the face.
3. Jewellery and nail polish are not permitted.
4. Sleepers or studs only allowed in pierced ears.
5. Parents will be contacted over breaches of the agreed uniform code.

## A dynamic school community

Kings Langley Public School values the high level of involvement and support from our parents and volunteers. Many parents also enjoy assisting in the classroom with reading groups, Macquarie Reading and Developmental Groups in Kindergarten. They also assist in creative and performing arts activities, sport and on excursions.

At Kings Langley Public School we have a school visitors policy :

1. Parents must come to the office if they are picking up their child from school even if they have sent a note informing the teacher.
2. All helpers at the school must wear the visitors badge and sign the visitors book while they are helping at the school.
3. Parents must ring the office or write a note to let teachers know that they would like to make an appointment to see a teacher. Under no circumstances are teachers expected to give impromptu interviews.
4. Any invitation to visit the school will negate the necessity to get a visitors badge eg. Father's Day concert, Mother's Day concert, K-2 Christmas Assembly and Education Week.
5. On days of being invited to the school, parents will sign their children out on a class list in the classroom if they are taking their children out of the school early on these special days.



## Reporting to parents

- Parents are invited to make an appointment to see their child's teacher at any time to discuss progress.
- A copy of the school annual report is available on request at the office.
- At the beginning of Term 1 parents are invited to an Orientation Meeting to discuss classroom routines and organisation for the year.
- A formal interview to discuss their child's progress will take place at the end of Term 1.
- At the end of Term 2 and Term 4 parents are provided with a formal report on their child's work.
- Teachers will request an interview in Term 3 if deemed necessary to discuss their child's progress.
- Parents will be invited to visit their child's classroom in Education Week and Week 10 of Term 3.

## Achievements

We are proud of our success in fostering happy, self-confident students who achieve well academically. Our results in statewide tests for literacy and numeracy are excellent and well above the state average.

Students from Kings Langley Public School achieve outstanding results in debating and public speaking competitions.

Our school choirs, dance groups, sporting teams and bands perform regularly for the community during Education Week and at district concerts. Each year students from Kings Langley Public school are selected to perform in the Hills Music Festival, Yamaha Festival, Blacktown Music Festival and NSW Band Festival.

## Useful information for parents

**Voluntary contributions** - school contributions are not compulsory. However we encourage payment as they enable our school to continue its innovative programs and provide resources for your child.

At the schools discretion text books could be requested to be purchased by parents. When purchased through the school a discount will apply.

**Absences** – children are legally required to be at school between the ages of six and 15. Absences need to be explained in writing by parents. Please state in the letter child's name, class, date of absence. There needs to be a valid reason to explain the absence ie. ( medical appointments, family holidays, funerals). It is not appropriate to not give a reason.

A Home/School Liaison Officer visits our school on a regular basis to check rolls for any high absentee rates. If this occurs without a reasonable explanation the officer visits the home for further consultation.

**School hours 9:05-3:00**

**School newsletter** is distributed on a Thursday. It can be accessed on the School Web site [www.kingslangley.ps.education.nsw.gov.au](http://www.kingslangley.ps.education.nsw.gov.au)

**Canteen** - The Healthy School canteen is run by the P&C. It is opened daily and is staffed by voluntary workers. The canteen cannot operate without strong parental support. Assistance from as many parents as possible is essential.

Canteen price lists are updated and issued at the beginning of each term or when needed. Please refer to our Home Page [www.kingslangley.ps.education.nsw.gov.au](http://www.kingslangley.ps.education.nsw.gov.au)

Lunch orders should be written on lunch bags, stating clearly the child's name, class and the order. The correct money should be placed inside the bag and orders placed in the plastic bin in the administration block each morning.

Occasionally a child forgets to bring lunch or lunch order money to school. If we are unable to contact parents in such cases, the child is provided with a sandwich at the



canteen and a note is sent home to parents requesting payment.

**Calendar** - A Term calendar is issued in the school newsletter at the beginning of each term.

**Executive Staff** - Our school currently has:

A Principal who is responsible for the whole school.

A Deputy Principal who collaborates with the Principal on whole school initiatives.

Four Assistant Principals who directly supervise classes and take other specific responsibilities.

**District Office** –

Nirimba Education Precinct  
Building T3C, Eastern Road  
Quakers Hill NSW 2763

### Testimonials - Why Kings Langley Public School?

It has been a privilege to work as a Teacher Librarian at Kings Langley Primary School for the past fourteen years. During this time I have witnessed first hand the qualities and values that make this the great school that it is.

The curriculum is always updated and is kept relevant and appropriate for all children's needs. The professional and caring staff really values the pupils in their care. They continually seek to update their teaching skills.

The outstanding parent body enables the school to achieve high standards in all areas through their support and enthusiasm.

**Lynne Henze, Teacher Librarian  
Kings Langley Public School**

Kings Langley School is a fantastic school that has a very enthusiastic, experienced staff. We provide many different opportunities for students to enjoy learning and participate in many activities such as – debating, choir, dance group, cultural groups, Student Representative Council, Premiers Reading Challenge, Spelling Bee competition and many more.

There is an excellent culture of co-operation between teachers, parents and the community which enhances

the whole school environment.

The staff is dedicated to enhancing each child's potential and catering for their individual needs.

Teachers work together with the parents and regularly include the community in events.

Staff attend Professional Learning Courses to keep informed about new approaches to teaching and learning. This information is then presented to the staff to improve all areas of the curriculum.

Technology is used throughout the Key Learning Areas to complement the knowledge and skills being taught.

It is satisfying and rewarding to work in a school that has such a positive, caring and friendly environment. I feel proud to be part of such a great public school and am very happy that my own children attend this school.

**Julie Donovan, Classroom Teacher & Parent  
Kings Langley Public School**

My involvement with Kings Langley Public School dates back to 1985. During that time I have had the privilege to work at Kings Langley Public School as a teacher as well as experience our wonderful school as a parent, with my three daughters attending from 1987 to 1996. Kings Langley Public School provides many opportunities for students who learn in a happy and caring environment. The school is supported so very well by our active P & C providing equipment and resources while working harmoniously with our school staff.

**Steve Williams Classroom Teacher & Past Parent.  
Kings Langley Public School**

We heard many good reports of Kings Langley Public School and purchased our house in this area so our children could attend this school. Our neighbours had all sent their children to this school and only had good things to say about the standard of teaching and facilities available.

**Jenny Habek Parent  
Kings Langley Public School**



I chose this school because of the strong community base. The parent's involvement with activities that are organised throughout the school terms is encouraged and appreciated. The quality of teaching that the children experience is outstanding.

The school caters to the needs of the children. There is extra help available for those who need it.

The P&C supports the school by fundraising that enables the school to purchase equipment and resources.

***Cate Borazio Parent  
Kings Langley Public School***

Choosing the right school to place our children in was difficult as both my husband and I were educated overseas. We initially intended to place our eldest child in a private school but changed our minds and opted for Kings Langley Public School for two main reasons -

1. We were living in the area
2. Its excellent reputation.

We are very glad we chose Kings Langley Public School as the environment and staff are wonderful. You can't ask for a more dedicated staff at Kings Langley Public School – they are caring and hard working, putting the needs of the children as their main priority. I have always said Kings Langley Public School is like a "private school but with the word public in it."

Both my children have had a fantastic and rich experience at this school- academically, socially, culturally, and in leadership. This has prepared them well for High School.

As a parent of this school, I was always well informed as communication is of a very high standard.

Participating and helping in school activities and canteen was always fun and rewarding.

Kings Langley Public School has definitely played a very important role in our lives. It stands true to its motto "Endeavour" – Endeavouring to bring out the best in each and every student.

***Vivian Fanous Past Parent***

**QUOTES FROM STUDENTS**

"The teachers give up their time to think of exciting and wonderful ways to get the children interested in learning.

Our computer network is excellent as we have a computer room with a computer for every child.

Our teachers are keen to help us to learn in a safe and happy environment.

The Principal, Deputy Principal, staff and pupils love Kings Langley Public School."

***James Sheather Student  
Kings Langley Public School***

"Year 6 get the chance to show leadership and responsibility because our school elects captains, sports captains, prefects and Student Representative Council.

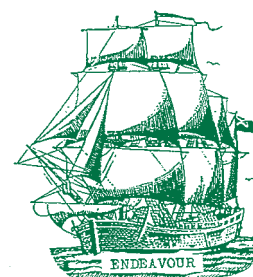
Our school shows consideration for charities, Cancer Council, Stewart House and World Vision by selling merchandise and raising money.

Kings Langley Public School offers a wide range of sport and always has people come to our school to do sports clinics with us.

At Kings Langley Public School we have a fine discipline system which rewards good behaviour.

On the whole our school is great and we would love you to be part of it."

***Alissa Baker Student  
Kings Langley Public School***





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