



KENT ROAD PUBLIC SCHOOL

BLUE GUM NEWS

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Term Four Week 5

Friday 11th November 2022

Important Dates & Notes

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Dates To Note

MAD Night
Mon 5th Dec

Term Dates

Term Four
Mon 10-10-2022 -
Fri 16-12-2022
Last Day of school
2022 Fri 16th Dec

Dear Kent Road Parents and Carers,

Our Year Six student leaders have had a busy week. They attended NSW State Parliament on Wednesday where they met our local member for Ryde and Minister for Customer Service, Mr Victor Dominello. Whilst at State Parliament, our students bumped into the Minister for Education, Mrs Sarah Mitchell, who they met at school last week.

Year Four students completed their Public Presentation Skills program presented by the Drama Toolbox team. All students K-6 have participated in either drama or public presentation skills workshops throughout the year. Many thanks to Alex and the Drama Toolbox team. We have seen students' confidence levels in speaking and performance increase, particularly after the previous two years of disrupted learning.

Our school gardening program is reaping great rewards with the garden beds thriving under the care of the students who have been caring for the plants.

Years Five and Six students participated in an environmental incursion building homes for insects. Their insect homes will be installed around our school.

Thank you to everyone who offered assistance when a member of our school community had a fall on Herring Road earlier this week. Your kindness in offering assistance is much appreciated, and the family member is recovering in hospital.

COVID CAUTION

Whilst we are all enjoying the relaxation of the covid rules, I ask parents to be mindful of the increasing numbers of covid cases in the community. According to media reports the new strains are generally mild, however for a person who has compromised health, a diagnosis of covid could be very serious.

Students are required to stay home if unwell, and do a rapid antigen test every two days if they have been in contact with someone who has tested positive to covid.

ASSEMBLY HALL ROOF WORK INCOMPLETE

Unfortunately the assembly hall roof replacement has not yet been completed. Advice this week that the hall would be handed back to the school has not eventuated.

MAD NIGHT – 5th DECEMBER

A note has been issued today via Compass to students who are in our school performance groups. Please return the note as soon as possible to indicate if your child is able to participate in MAD night, which will commence at 5.30pm and finish by 7pm.

Performing at MAD night will be:

- ♦ the school's dance groups
- ♦ the school's Training, Concert and Performance bands
- ♦ the school's String group
- ♦ some individual performances
- ♦ guest appearances!

LAST DAY OF TERM FOUR FOR STUDENTS

Last week the NSW government announced the last day of this term for students will be Friday 16th December. The following Monday 18th December and Tuesday 19th December teachers and staff will participate in professional learning in preparation for the implementation of new syllabus documents.

SELECTIVE HIGH SCHOOL 2024 APPLICATIONS – CLOSING WEDNESDAY

Parents of students who are currently in Year Five who wish to apply for their child to attend a Selective High School in 2024 are reminded that the application process is now open.

Applications must be submitted by 16th November 2022 at <https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7>

All candidates are required to sit the Selective High school Placement Test to be held on Thursday 4 May 2023.

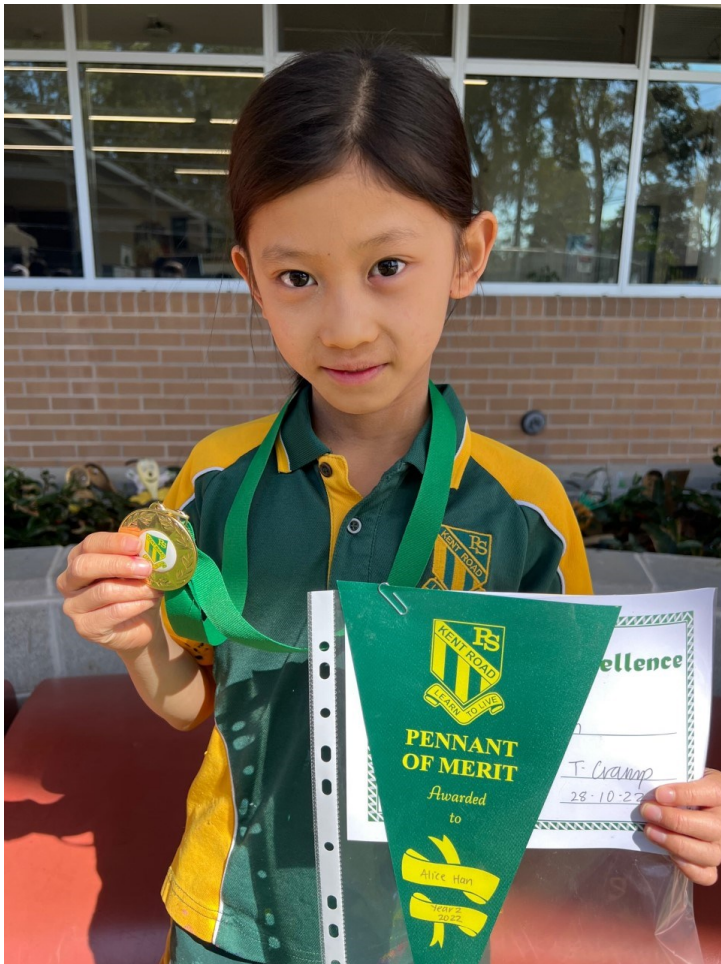
Please be aware that **late applications will not be accepted by the Selective High School unit.**

K-2 ASSEMBLY AWARDS

Congratulations to the students who were presented their gold medals today. Great work everyone!

* Aaron	1F		* Chloe	1R
* Yu Chen	1CP		* Henry	1S
* Saina	1F		* Niels	2I
* Maria	2W		* Alice	2A
* Felix	2C		* Isabelle C	2W





And the following students received a merit certificate today reflecting their hard work, respectful behaviour and showing responsibility. Well done everyone!

KC	Shanvi	Always being a kind and caring classmate and a lovely friend to others
KC	Yusen	His big improvement in staying focused and attentive in class
KD	Kexuan	Always trying her best during literacy groups
KD	Erin	Demonstrating confidence when sounding out new words while reading
KF	Joseph	Writing a detailed procedure on making fairy bread
KF	Lena	Improved fluency during reading
KG	Elsa	Being a kind and caring friend to all her peers
KG	Swechha	Writing a very detailed procedure on how to make fairy bread
KM	Jonathan	Being a critical thinker and creative learner who enjoys new challenges
KM	Anderson	Working hard and listening carefully at all times!
KN	Sophia	Making fantastic progress with her fluency when reading
KN	Erkhes	Showing enthusiasm during our lessons about volume
1CP	Shivansh	Settling into 1CP so well and being a lovely addition to the class!
1CP	Patrick	Improved listening and effort in class activities
1F	Milana	Her excellent story writing with improved spelling
1F	Jonathan	His wonderful enthusiasm during his speech about dinosaurs
1H	Tracy	Her determination and improvement when reading
1H	Vihaan	His great use of scientific vocabulary in our topic Light and Sound
1K	Emma	Being a kind friend to many in the class
1K	Aiala	Completing comprehension tasks thoroughly
1R	Narawin	Wonderful improvement in his writing skills
1R	Sparsh	Always showing an engaged attitude towards Mathematics
1S	Malavika	An interesting speech about her favourite pet
1S	Leo	For fantastic animal facts
2A	Bryson	Presenting an engaging persuasive argument
2A	Anar	Being an engaged learner during literacy groups
2C	Masrur	A great presentation about children doing homework!
2C	Natalie	Being an engaged learner during Writing!
2F	Andy	A very persuasive speech about Summer being the best season
2F	Anannya	Being a respectful and responsible class member
2I	Sumayya	Her fantastic attitude during literacy lessons
2I	Aaron	A very persuasive presentation on school uniforms
2S	Kayden	Using problem solving skills in maths
2S	Cooper	Always being a kind, considerate and helpful classmate
2W	Ethan	Being an engaged learner during Literacy groups
2W	Tristan	Being a respectful learner who is engaged in class discussions

BEING ACTIVE IN THE COMMUNITY FROM SAMANTHA YEP

Over the weekend four amazing Kent Road students participated in the Cancer Council Hornsby Relay For Life Teams were to walk for 24 hours from 10am on Saturday until 10am on Sunday Olivia (year 5), Emily (year 5), Ethan (year 6) and Brandon (year 3) joined the team and stepped up to the challenge.

Helping the team out and only sleeping from 3am till 6am

A fantastic result and huge funds were raised for Cancer Council

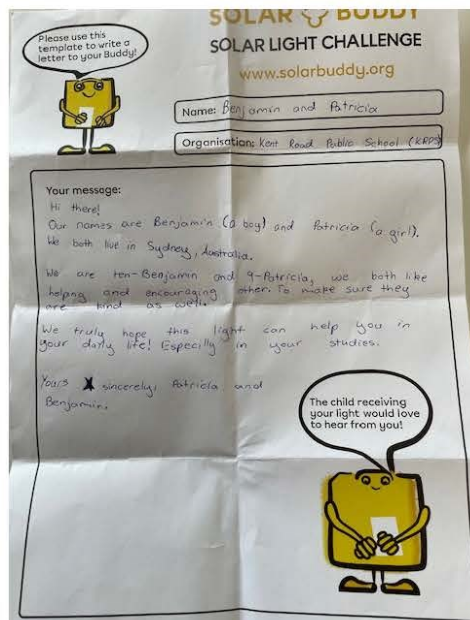


The team campsite. Each lap a team member did they planted a daffodil which "grew" Over the 24 hours

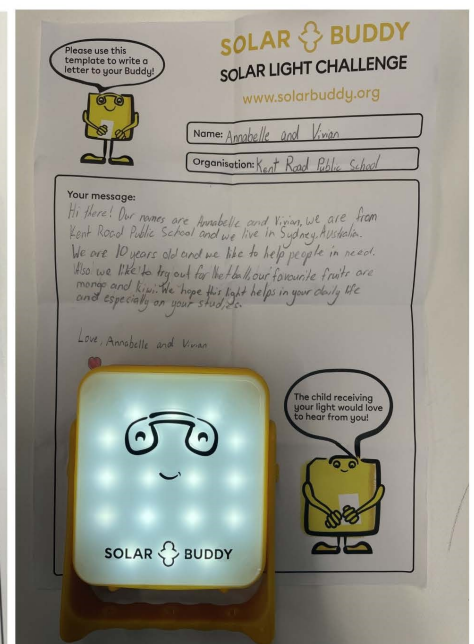
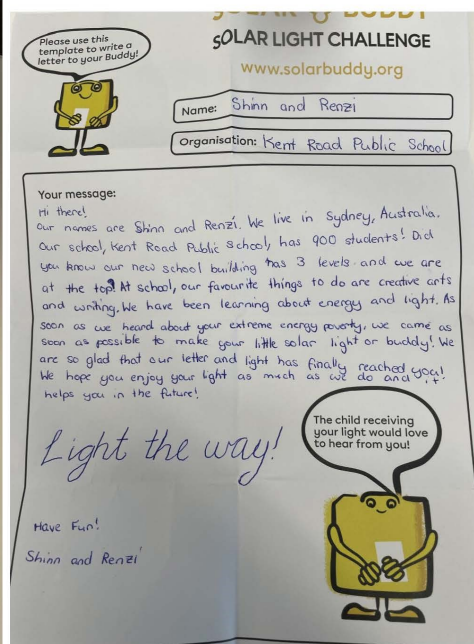
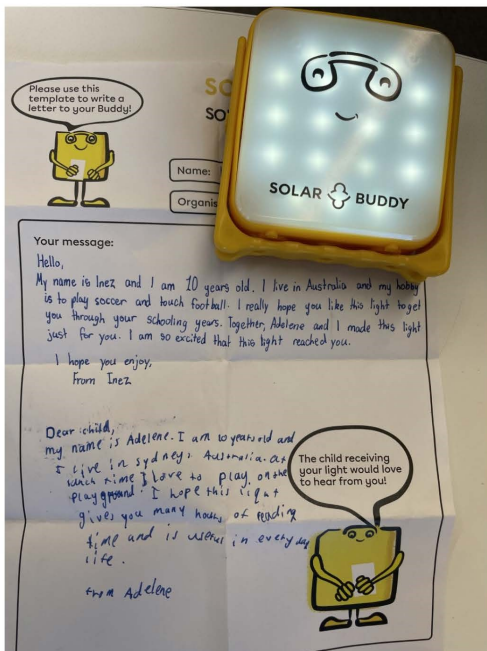


Year 4 News

This week students in Year 4 participated in the Solar Buddy - Junior Buddies incursion. During the incursion, students learnt about renewable energy and extreme energy poverty. Students made solar lights that are now travelling to a child in a country that experiences extreme energy poverty. In roughly six weeks we should find out which country the lights have made it to. To accompany the lights, students wrote letters so that the child who receives their light knows a bit more about them and our school. The lights have two light settings (high and low), can be hung from a ceiling or propped up on a desk and are designed to see their new owner through all of their schooling years. It was a wonderful experience for the students who walked away talking about how good it felt to be helping others out and how fun it was to use a screwdriver for the first time!





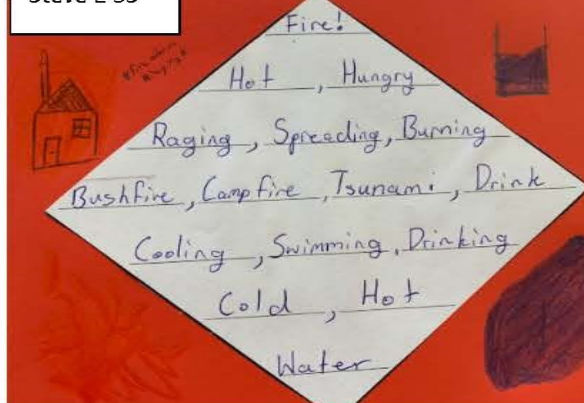


Great work, helping others in need Year 4!

Year 5 News

The year 5 students have been working hard in weeks 3 and 4, expressing their thoughts and ideas through the medium of poetry. Here are some stellar examples of Diamante, Haiku and Concrete poetry.

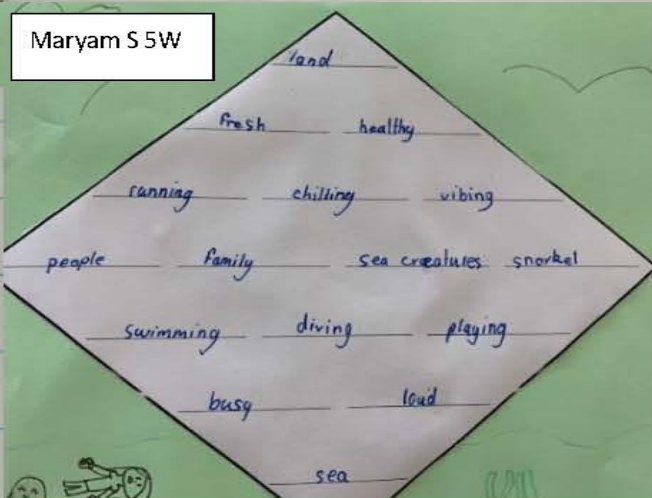
Steve Z 5S



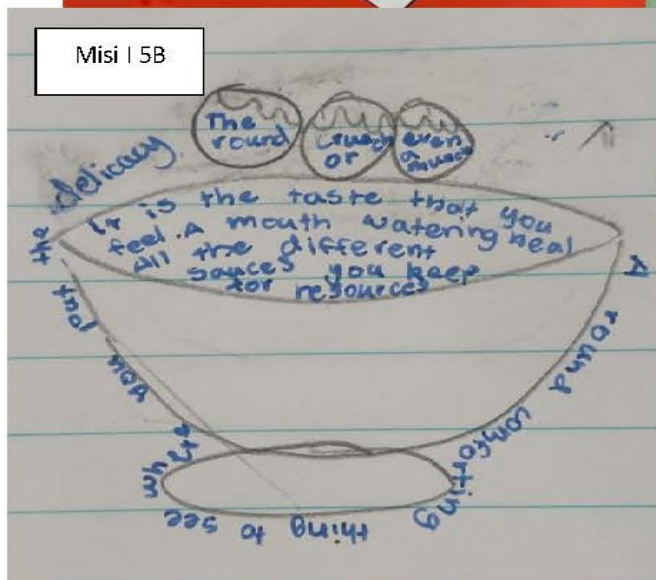
Hakeem T 5S

Rain
Droplets and raindrops
They are falling from the sky
Flowing through gutters

Maryam S 5W



Misi I 5B



Leah U 5W

Knocking on the door
Fill my bucket to the top
Where are my lollies!?

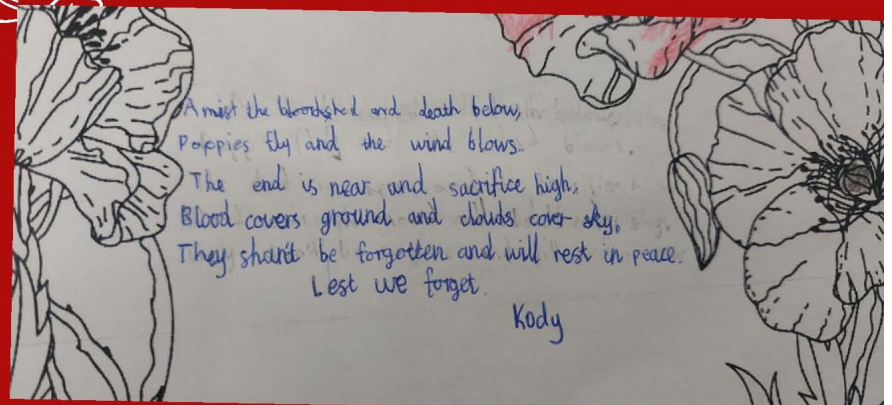
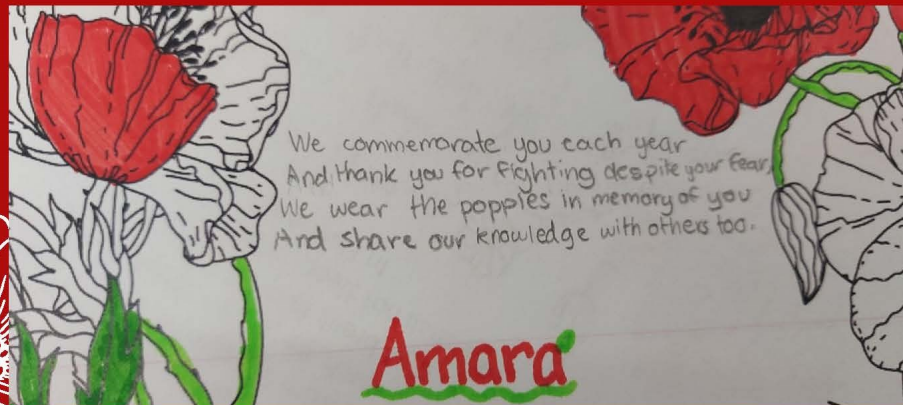
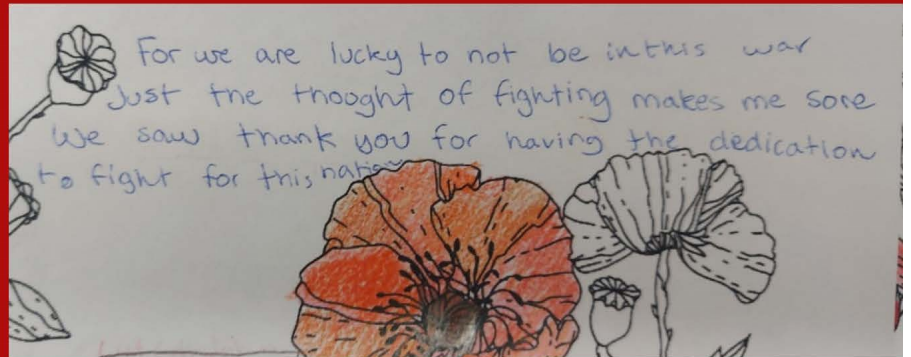
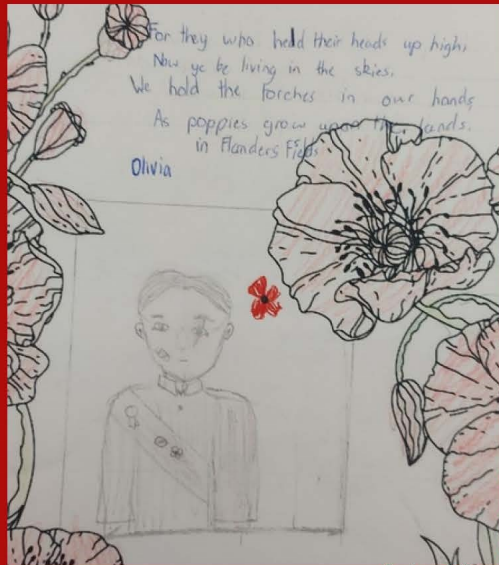
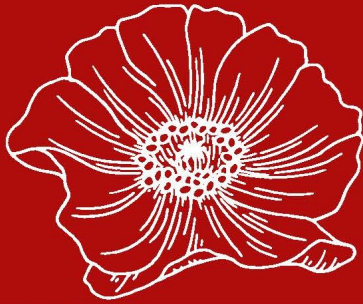
Mia Y 5W



Sarah S 5E

A wet leaf after the rain,
It has fallen to the ground in great pain.
All of its friends were strong enough,
but this little one just couldn't hold on.
Just like a shining jewel, it lies on the ground.
It really is nothing special, but it catches my eye.
I pity you, you are and were so beautiful,
but now you are alone and will begin to rot.
I really wonder how far you will travel
good luck my friend time to say goodbye.

In honour of Remembrance Day, some Year 5 Students applied their poetry skills to respond to the poem In Flanders' Fields by Lieutenant-Colonel John McCrae.



🐝 Bee Incursion 🐝

This week Year 5 and 6 participated in a Bee Incursion, learning all about native and stingless bees. They learned to identify different bee species and considered how bees are important to the ecosystem, pollinating crops and supporting food for other animals. They had a lot of fun working together to build “bee hotels” - small wooden structures that native bees will be able to use as homes. Overall, it has bee-n a great week of learning!









SRC Staff and Playground Spotlight

Staff Spotlight:

Miss McCarthy - Classroom Teacher 3M		
	What subject do you like teaching the most and why?	I like art the most because students can have more freedom to be more creative.
	What do you like to learn about the most?	I like to learn more about geography because I can learn more about the world and the cultures.
	Why did you become a teacher?	I became a teacher because my grandpa was a teacher and a principal. So, I wanted to make him proud.
	What do you love most about KRPS?	I love KRPS because the students and teachers are very friendly and make work so much fun!
	Do you have any hobbies or special talents?	One of my hobbies are netball, Oz tag, Hurley (an Irish sport) and also going for walks with my puppy, Banjo.

Interviewed by: Samhita (Year 4), Asha (Year 2) and Jane (Year 4)

Miss Lee- K-2 Music Music Teacher		
	What subject do you like teaching the most and why?	Music because she likes singing and playing music with little kids.
	What do you like to learn about the most?	She is now interested in teaching geography that is related to weather.
	Why did you become a teacher?	She likes to teach little kids, especially kindies.
	What do you love most about KRPS?	Kent Road is a big school full of resources with caring teachers and friendly students.
	Do you have any hobbies or special talents?	She likes to cook international food, Go rock climbing and she likes to play instrument (especially flute)

Interviewed by: Minji (Year 6), Sophie (Year 6) and Ariana (Year 6)

The SRC would also like to thank the 80 students who came down for the first Clean Up Committee on Friday. Together, we collected 5 bags of rubbish from the tree cola playground.

STATE PARLIAMENT SCHOOL LEADERS VISIT



On the 9th of November the Leadership team from Kent Road Public School, along with other Ryde schools, visited State Parliament House, Macquarie Street. Ms Hamilton took us to the parliament café and when we were coming out we bumped into Minister Sarah Mitchell who visited the school last week. We got to meet a variety of ministers and members of Parliament as well as watching Question Time. It was definitely a lot louder than we thought it would be. It sounded at times like a big argument. Afterwards we had scones with cream and a fruit juice for afternoon tea. The State Member for Ryde Mr Victor Dominello, then presented us with signed Leadership awards and spoke to the group about the importance of leadership and serving a community. Our favourite parts of the afternoon were the heated arguments between the members in question time and the food. We had lots of fun and felt very fortunate to be invited to Parliament House.

By
Charlotte P & Aiden L Year 6 School Leaders



Remembrance Day 2022

Last Friday the school Captains, Charlotte and Kyce and Vice-Captain Sam, represented Kent Road Public School at the Ryde Council's Remembrance Day service held at Memorial Park in Meadowbank.

Charlotte, Sam and Kyce ushered guests into the seated area and gave out red poppies and programs.

Eric Brown, a local Aboriginal Educator, performed a moving Acknowledgement of Country and Smoking Ceremony to begin the service.

Ryde Mayor, Cllr Jordan Lane, spoke to the crowd as well as returned service people and numerous other Primary and High Schools.

At the end of the service our three leaders laid a wreath on behalf of all the students from Kent Road.

Fiona Hamilton DP



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Strategies for Supporting Children with Toilet Training

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