

Katandra Weekly



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Mon 19th to Fri 23rd —

Education Week

Mon 19th — Open session 9-11am

Thurs 22nd — Bike Hike 4-6

Fri 23rd — Wangaratta F-3

— Div Netball 5/6

JUNE

Mon 9th — King's Birthday public holiday

Sun 15th — Bunnings BBQ

Mon 16th — School Council



DATES TO REMEMBER

PARENT PAYMENT

Paying the Parent Payment ensures that we can continue to provide quality resources and experiences to support a rich educational program at Katandra West Primary School. The 2025 Parent Payment includes an excursion component that covers the costs of the swimming program, excursions and incursions in throughout the school year. **If you do not pay the \$125 excursion component of the Parent Payment, you need to pay for each individual excursion/incursion.** For example, F-3 students will be participating in an excursion to Wangaratta as part of our Road Safety Program on 23rd May. The cost of this excursion is \$25 per child. If you contribute to the excursion component of the Parent Payment, you will not be required to pay \$25 for this excursion. Please contact the office if you would like to discuss a payment plan to contribute to your child's 2025 Parent Payment.

School Fees

BEANIES

With the winter months approaching we have school beanies for sale at \$25.00 each.



MOTHER'S DAY BREAKFAST

It was great to see so many families attend our Mother's Day Breakfast. It was a beautiful sunny morning, perfect for scrumptious pancakes!

TABLE TENNIS TABLE

Thanks to the efforts of everyone over the cricket season, we have been able to raise funds to purchase an outdoor table tennis table. Students are now enjoying another fun piece of playground equipment. Thanks to Ray, Luke and Phil for installing it.

PARENTS & FRIENDS



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MOTHER'S DAY BREAKFAST

It was a perfect start to our day at school last Friday! A big thank you to Amy van Popering and her team of helpers, for organising a delicious pancake breakfast. Amy has organized the Mother's Day breakfast for a number of years and 2025 is her last one. She has a number of loyal helpers within the P&F so the Mother's Day Breakfast is in safe hands moving forward. I have included photos later in this newsletter. Following the breakfast students had the exciting opportunity to go "shopping" at the Mother's Day Stall. We appreciate the P&F helpers that provided this experience for students, thank you!



CROSS COUNTRY

Well done to our students in Year 3-6 that competed in the cross country at Kialla Lakes last Friday. They displayed our school value "Be Strong" by completing the entire 2km or 3km race. Congratulations to the following students who have qualified to compete at the next stage of competition at the Division Cross Country at Princess Park, Shepparton on Friday 16th May: Riley B, Olivia, Harvey, Meila, Eva, Smith, Brysen, Izzy, Audrey and Esther.

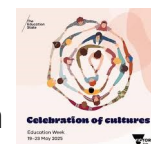
BUS SAFETY

All students attended a bus safety presentation yesterday. The session focused on being safe around buses and bus stops when catching a bus to and from school and also when on excursions. A safe bus travel brochure will be sent home to families today.



EDUCATION WEEK

Education Week is an annual celebration of public education in Victoria. In 2025, Victoria will celebrate Education Week from Monday 19 May to Friday 23 May. This year's theme *Celebration of Cultures* highlights the diversity of our communities and the importance of every child feeling safe and welcome at school. We invite families to an open classroom session on **Monday 19th May, 9-11 am**. This is our Literacy Block so families will have the opportunity to see phonics and explicit teaching in action. The content focus during this session will be inclusion and respect, as part of celebrating cultures.



BIKE EDUCATION

Please continue to return consent forms for our upcoming Bike Education excursions, **Thursday 22nd May and Friday 23rd May**. Our Year 4-6 students will participate in the annual Bike Hike, this year it is in Shepparton. Students in F-3 will be travelling to Wangaratta to participate in road safety activities at the Lions Apex Road Safety School. If you have paid the excursion component of the Parent Payment, you will not need to pay the costs associated with the relevant excursion. **Families who have not paid the excursion component of the Parent Payment will need to pay the cost stated on the notice.** Please contact the office to discuss payment options.



FROM THE PRINCIPAL—Marcia Waters

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STUDENT

NAME: Grace H

GRADE: 3

TEACHER: Miss Loveridge

FAVOURITE FOOD: Pasta

FAVOURITE GAME: Minecraft

FRIENDS AT SCHOOL: Lilah, Olivia, Poppie & Charlie

WHAT HAVE YOU BEEN LEARNING: Punctuation

WHAT IS YOUR FAVOURITE COLOUR: Blue/Green

FAVOURITE TOY / THING: Squishmellow

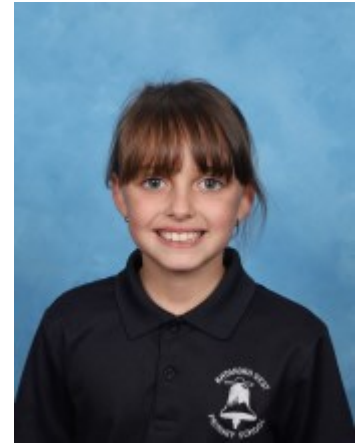
BEST THING ABOUT SCHOOL: Writing

WHEN I GROW UP: Hairdresser "Mums helper"

FAVOURITE HOLIDAY DESTINATION: Merimbula

WHICH SCHOOL VALUE IS YOUR STRENGTH? Be Respectful

WHY: I am always respectful.

**CROSS COUNTRY****Be Safe - Be Respectful - Be Strong - Be Your Best**

WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECK

We are working on updating our Working with Children Check list so could you please bring in you current cards.

**School Saving Bonus reminder and allocation to school activities**

The Victorian Government is delivering the School Saving Bonus (SSB) – a one-off support of \$400 for eligible government school students from Prep to Year 12 in 2025.

The SSB can be used for uniforms and textbooks until Monday 30 June 2025.

Any funds remaining after 30 June 2025, including online voucher amounts that have not been redeemed, will become a credit to use on school activities. However, the credit will not be available on your family account at our school until late July. To use any remaining SSB funds to cover the cost of school activities in July, please refer to the SSB online system and allocate the funds to school activities before 30 June 2025. If you need assistance with the SSB online system, please contact the office.



The Department of Education's SSB contact centre will remain available until 30 June 2025. The contact centre can be reached by:

- completing the School Saving Bonus enquiry form online
- calling 1800 338 663, between 8:30 am and 4:30 pm on weekdays.

After this date, please contact the office for any SSB related questions.

MOTHER'S DAY PHOTOS



WORLD TOUR

3-6

**THE STUDENTS IN
3/4L AND 5/6M HAVE
BEEN CREATING THEIR
OWN COUNTRIES IN
THEME.**

**COME AND JOIN US
TOMORROW
AFTERNOON 2:30 TO
3:30 TO HELP US
CELEBRATE THE
AMAZING WORK THEY
HAVE ACHIEVED.**

**PARENTS,
GRANDPARENTS AND
FAMILY ARE
WELCOME.**

PIC•COLLAGE

activities in the park

WHAT'S ON - MAY 2025

Let's Get Active

Date: Thursday 1 May

Time: 9.30am - 11.00am

Where: Kidstown, Mooroopna

Tatura Market

Date: Saturday 3 May

Time: 9.00am - 1.00pm

Where: Stuart Mock Place, Tatura

Yoga in the Park

Date: Monday 5 May

Time: 10.00am - 11.00am

Where: Grace Edwards Park, Shepparton

Mindful Birding

Date: Tuesday 6 May

Time: 9.00am - 11.00am

Where: Victoria Park Lake, Shepparton

Let's Get Active

Date: Thursday 8 May

Time: 9.30am - 11.00am

Where: Kidstown, Mooroopna

Go Kart

Date: Saturday 10 May

Time: 10.00am - 1.00pm

Where: North Community Hub, Shepparton

Sustainable Jewellery Workshop

Date: Sunday 11 May

Time: 10.00am - 11.30am

Where: Cussen Park, Tatura

Let's Get Active

Date: Thursday 15 May

Time: 9.30am - 11.00am

Where: Kidstown, Mooroopna

Orienteering

Date: Saturday 17 May

Time: 10.00am - 12.00pm

Where: Australian Botanic Gardens, Shepparton

Walk for Road Safety

Date: Sunday 18 May

Time: 10.00am - 3.00pm

Where: Victoria Park Lake, Shepparton

Yoga in the Park

Date: Monday 19 May

Time: 10.00am - 11.00am

Where: Grace Edwards Park, Shepparton

Sensory Walk

Date: Wednesday 21 May

Time: 10.00am - 11.00am

Where: Australian Botanic Gardens, Shepparton

Mindfulness Walk

Date: Saturday 24 May

Time: 10.00am - 11.00am

Where: Ferrari Park, Mooroopna

Yoga in the Park

Date: Monday 26 May

Time: 10.00am - 11.00am

Where: Grace Edwards Park, Shepparton

Playground Escapade in Small Towns**

Date: Saturday 31 May

Time: 9.30am - 12.00pm

Where: Meet in front of Shepparton library



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** Activity requires booking

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✉ healthycommunities@shepparton.vic.gov.au

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