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Principal: Marcia Waters

No: 1 Friday 29th January, 2021

FEBRUARY

Mon 1st to Fri 5th — Swimming

Wed 3rd — NO Foundation students

Mon 8th - P & F AGM — 2.00 pm

Mon 8th—School Council—7.30 pm Tues 9th — F/1 Information Session

@ 4.00 p.m.

Wed 10th — NO Foundation students

Wed 17th — NO Foundation students

Wed 17th — Welcome BBQ —

5.00 to 7.30 p.m.

Wed 24th — NO Foundation students

The Victorian School Nursing program is a free health assessment service offered by the Department of Education and Training to all children during their first year of primary school. We have sent home School Nurse envelopes to all Foundation students today and would like them back as soon as possible.

The school nurse will be here in the next few weeks.

Attached to this newsletter is the Parent Payment 2021, which School Council set at the November 2020 meeting. These fees need to be paid for your child to be able to attend these events. Accounts are being sent home today. You have the option of making a voluntary payment to assist the school in maintaining our expansive school grounds, \$50 per family is a suggestion.

DATES

REMEMBER

IPAD LEASE PAYMENT

Families that lease an iPad are reminded that their Term 1 Payment is due on Friday 5th February. The Term 1 Payment was paid upon pick up by families of students in Year 4 and other students that have just joined the program.

CSEF:

If you claimed a CSEF payment last year and are still eligible (hold a Health Care Card), could you please call in at the office and sign a new form. The amount of \$125.00 will be allocated to you to help with swimming and excursions.

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SCHOOLL NURSE—FOUNDATION 2021

WELCOME BACK:

Welcome back to the school year to our students, parents and our staff. A special welcome to our new Foundation students: Grace, Matthew, Ella, Maddox, Cooper, Eli and Nate. During February, Foundation students are not required at school on Wednesdays. This is to allow Foundation students a rest so they can ease their way into

the school routine.

OUR STAFF

The staffing for 2021 is as follows: F/1: Jayne Loveridge/Jacquie Monk

2/3/4: Brady Mulcahy 4/5/6: Brodie McDonald 2-6: Janelle Lesich Music: Jacquie Monk

LOTE (Italian): Frances Ceravolo

MARC: Bob Bover MACC: Clarke Pettigrew

Literacy/Classroom Support: Cheryl Thomas

Education Support: Karen Daldy Business Manager: Gabrielle Crowe

Principal: Marcia Waters

OUR GROUNDS & BUILDINGS

Thank you to the Katandra West & District Men's Shed, Sam and Phil for looking after our grounds throughout the long break. It is a big job, we all appreciate your time and effort in maintaining our beautiful grounds. Also a BIG thank you to Michelle for the wonderful effort she has put into the school with cleaning. Phil also made time to give Joel's Garden a make-over in the holidays, thanks. Another big thank you goes to Grant for donating his time to install the new shade sails over the big playground.

SCHOOL STREAM



The main method of communication between school and home is via School Stream. Please ensure that you have downloaded the smartphone app to receive notices, consent forms and the newsletter electronically. School Stream also allows families to notify the school of their child's absences. When you download the app you will see a number of school groups, including

the three classrooms and sporting schools. You are able to remove a school group by swiping left and choosing to delete. This will help you to avoid receiving notices that are not relevant to your child.

ASSEMBLY ON MONDAY

We will have our first assembly for 2021 on Monday 8th February @ 3.00 p.m. in the BER building. We will present the School Captains with their badges and then we'll move to outside where the Foundation students will ring the old school bell at the conclusion of the assembly. Everyone is welcome.

WELCOME NIGHT

School Council would like to welcome back the school community by hosting a BBQ tea on Wednesday February 17th this year. The BBQ tea is free of charge and will be available from 6.00 pm. As it is a student event, smoking and alcohol will be prohibited. There will be some organized activities for families to participate

in and will finish at approximately 7.30pm.

Teachers would also like to welcome back the school community on this evening. Classrooms will be open at 5.00 pm for families to look around, speak with their child's teacher and receive detailed information regarding the routines and expectations of each classroom. Your children will be able to show you where they are sitting in class and some of the work they have been doing early in the year.



2021 SWIMMING PROGRAM

A Swimming Notice and a Medical form has been sent home to every child. The medical form (pink form) needs to be filled in and returned to school. The consent form (white form) is also able to be completed electronically via School Stream. You need only complete the consent form once, either paper or School Stream. Both forms need to be received by the school by **MONDAY** in order for your child to participate.

Swimming this year will be **\$45.00.** Parents & Friends and DET are contributing to the cost of the swimming program for each child, the actual price of swimming is \$85.00.

The \$45.00 needs to be paid by Monday 1st February for your child to participate in the Swimming Program. Those with Health Care Cards do not have to pay but will need to fill in a CSEF form.

Foundation children will only have to pay \$36.00 as Foundation students do not attend school on the Wednesday of that week.



THERE WILL BE NO LUNCH ORDERS WHILE SWIMMING IS ON.

MARC VAN:

There is a letter being sent home on behalf of the MARC Van, that we would like you to read, sign and send back to school as soon as possible, so that your child can borrow in this program.





PARENTS AND FRIENDS

Our AGM will be held on Monday 8th February at 2.00 p.m., in the BER. A regular meeting will flow on from the AGM. and then the assembly will parents and Friends be at 3.00 p.m.

All past and new parents are welcome to attend.



ZOOPER DOOPERS

Students will again be able to buy Zooper Doopers after we all get back from swimming



from Monday 8th February for 50 cents each. Students are only able to purchase one Zooper Dooper a day and are discouraged from purchasing one for a friend.

SCHOOL POLICIES

A number of relevant school policies and documents will be sent home today. This includes a pack with the Katandra West Primary School Student Engagement Policy, Child Safe Policies/Document. Parent Handbook, SWPBS Student Handbook and Volunteer OHS Induction Handbook, I know it's a lot to take in, but they are all policies/ documents you need to be familiar with. They are also available on our school website. Thanks for taking the time to look over them as we start the new year of learning.

NOTICES

With the first newsletter of the year, we have sent home a Term Planner with the dates of events scheduled. Please note these important dates on your calendar.

We have also sent home the following notices:

- Internet User Agreement, this needs to be discussed, signed and returned to school ASAP
- Lunch Order list from the Katandra West General Store
- Senior students permission form to take lunch orders/mail to and from the shop

Please complete all relevant notices and return to the office at your earliest convenience

PAST STUDENTS VISITING

From time to time, our past students (now attending secondary school) visit Katandra West Primary School when they have a curriculum day. We enjoy catching up with past students and take pride in knowing that they have strong connections to their primary school. We do have some expectations around these visits, however. Past students are welcome to help in the junior classrooms or to complete tasks assigned by teachers. Parents are encouraged to arrange their child's visit prior to the day to ensure there are things planned for them and also to avoid having an excess of past students with not enough for them to do. It is also important that past students present themselves at the office on arrival and departure to assist in the case of emergency procedures. We also feel that secondary school students who attended other primary schools need not visit during their curriculum days. Some past students who like to visit no longer have siblings at the school, therefore do not receive this newsletter. We would appreciate families letting others in the wider community know about what is expected.

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EVERY MINUTE COUNTS....

When your child misses just	that equals	which is	and therefore, from Kindy to Year 12, that is
10 minutes a day	50 minutes of learning each week	Nearly 1½ weeks per year	Nearly 1/2 a year of school
20 minutes a day	1 hour and 40 minutes of learning each week	Nearly 2½ weeks per year	Nearly a year of school
% hour a day	½ a day of learning a week	4 weeks a year	Nearly 1 ½ years of learning
1 hour each day	1 whole day of learning each week	8 weeks per year or nearly a term a year.	Over 2 ½ years of learning

Your child's best learning time is at the beginning of the day...



School starts at 9 a.m. each day!

Don't miss out!

First Day 2021...























PARENT PAYMENT 2021

Each year, School Council sets an annual Parent Payment figure for each child which covers all student supplies – books, rulers, folders, pens etc.

Also in this Parent Payment the children are covered for Swimming – (P & F subsidising), Excursions, MARC (Library supplies) and MACC (Art supplies)

All these fees are compulsory.

Camps and some excursions are not included and you will be notified when costings are required.

We also need to maintain the school grounds this includes mowing (currently \$50.00 per week through Katandra West Men's Shed), watering allocation costs, mower repairs, fuel and services, weed spray, softfall for the playground, and sprinkler system maintenance and we ask each family for a donation of \$50.00 to help cover these costs.

The Parent Payment for 2021 will be \$260.00 per student optional donation \$50.00 per family (suggested)

The PARENT PAYMENT can be paid in two instalments i.e.

* First Payment covers...

Curriculum / some excursion fees including Swimming costs

170.00

* Second Payment

Balance of fees

90.00

\$ 260.00 each child

+ optional donation per family (Men's Shed Mowing)

50.00 each family

\$ 310.00

School Council

Marcia Waters Executive Officer.

NOTE: Fourth and subsequent children do not pay Parent Payment.

Parent Payment 2021

Parent Payment is made up of:

Excursions - such as Cluster Days, Sports Days, Life Education Van, In School Programs, Bike Hike, Yachting etc.	80.00	
Swimming	45.00	+ \$20.00 P&F
MARC (Library) & MACC (Arts) van	50.00	
School Supplies - which covers all school supplies such as work books, pens, rulers, books, paper etc.	85.00	
	260.00	

Donations of Grounds Maintenance (suggest \$50.00 per family or what you feel you could contribute.)

Term 1 2021

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat. / Sun
Wk 1	25 Jan	26 AUSTRALIA DAY HOLIDAY	27 School Starts Teachers Return	28 Curriculum Day	29 Students Return	30/31
2	1 Feb Swimming Junior 10 to 11 Senior 11 to 12	2 Swimming Italian Music	3 Swimming NO PREPS	4 Swimming	5 Swimming	6/7
3	8 Feb P.& F. AGM 2.00pm Assembly Presentations S.C. Mtg. 7.30 pm	9 Foundation Information Night 4.00pm Italian / Music A	10 NO PREPS	11	MARC 12 MACC	13/14
4	15 Feb	16 Italian Music B	17 Welcome BBQ 5.00 to 7.30 pm NO PREPS	18	19 MARC	20/21
5	22 Feb	23 Italian Music C	24 NO PREPS	25	26 MACC	27/28
6	1 Mar	2 Italian Music A	3	4	5 MARC	6/7
7	8 Mar LABOUR DAY HOLIDAY	9 Italian Music B	10	11	12 MACC	13/14
8	15 Mar	16 Italian Music C	17	18	19 MARC	20/21
9	22 Mar S. C. Mtg AGM pm	23 Italian Music A	24	25	26 ATHLETIC SPORTS DAY	27/28
10	29 Mar	30 Italian	31	1 April	2 GOOD FRIDAY	3/4
		Music B		End of Term		



KATANDRA WEST GENERAL STORE SCHOOL LUNCH LIST 2021

HOT FOOD	
Grilled Chicken Nuggets	\$0.90
Lite Party Pies	\$1.50
Lite Sausage Rolls	• • • • •
Nachos with reduced fat cheese	\$1.50
	\$4.50
Lasagna Chialan and Chasas B	\$5.00
Chicken and Cheese Burger	\$5.00
Grilled Ham and Pineapple Pizza	\$4.50
Chicken Fried Rice	\$5.00
Potato Gems with bacon and cheese	\$4.50
ROLLS AND WRAPS	
Ham or Chicken Salad	\$5.00
Salad	\$3.50
Peanut Butter or Vegemite (please specify roll or wrap when ordering)	\$2.50

Water \$2.00

SNACKS	
Frozen Moozie – chocolate / strawberry	\$1.00
Muffins – Apple or Blueberry or Chocolate	\$3.00
Frozen Yogurt – Mango or Strawberry	\$2.50

Please check School Stream for Shop monthly hot and cold food specials.

All menu items are "School approved items" provided by Katandra West General Store.

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