

Katandra Weekly

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JULY

Thurs 25th — P&F Meeting @ 5.30
Thurs 31st — Student Learning
Conferences

AUGUST

Mon 4th to Friday 8th — Year 5 & 6
Camp

Mon 11th — School Council
Meeting @ 7.00 p.m.

Fri 15th — Book Week Activities
Mon 18th to Fri 22nd —Swimming
F — 6



DATES TO REMEMBER

P&F MEETING

We invite you to attend our next P&F Meeting, tomorrow **Thursday 24 July**. The meeting will be held at the Katandra West Community Centre at 5.30 pm. We hope to see you there.

BEANIES

Winter has definitely arrived! A reminder that we have school beanies for sale at the office for \$25.00 each.



PARENTS & FRIENDS

IPAD LEASE PROGRAM PAYMENT

A reminder to families in the iPad lease program that the Term 3 payment is due this **Friday 25 July**. If payment is not made, iPads will be kept at school until the payment is made. Please contact the office if you are unsure of your payment amount.



SCHOOL BUS

Brian has hung up his bus keys and retired from driving our school bus. We wish him all the best. We welcome Wayne, our new bus driver to the school community. Please note that the bus needs to be driven a little slower on some roads at the moment. We ask that families continue to be at their bus stops 10 minutes before the scheduled pick up time, but be patient if the bus is a couple of minutes behind schedule.



Be Safe - Be Respectful - Be Strong - Be Your Best

WELCOME BACK

It has been fantastic to welcome back students and families to Term 3. I've been hearing about all the fun and adventures students experienced over the break. We even had a current student catch up with a past student in Sydney. Ed attended a GWS training session and had a photo with Lachie Ash. We look forward to a busy term ahead.



HELP NEEDED

We are looking for someone to help with a small gardening project at school. We have been generously gifted some replacement roses to plant in Joel's garden at the front of the school. The roses that are currently there have seen better days! Please contact the office if you have a passion for gardening and have some time to help.



STUDENT LEARNING CONFERENCES

We have scheduled Student Learning Conferences for **Thursday 31st July**. At Katandra West Primary School, we believe it is important for students to have a voice in their learning and take responsibility and ownership of their progress (that's why we call them Student Learning Conferences rather than Parent Teacher Interviews). The Student Learning Conferences provide students with the opportunity to discuss their learning with the support of their Parents/Guardians and Classroom Teacher. Students are required to attend their Student Learning Conference, but not at other times that day. As students are not required to attend school, other than for their Student Learning Conference, **families are able to book children in to TheirCare from 7.00am to 6.00 pm on Thursday 31st July**. Bookings for Student Learning Conferences can be made via the Xuno Portal online or the Xuno Family app. Look for "Parent Teacher Interviews" (that's what Xuno calls them). If you need assistance, please call the office on 58283350.



YEAR 5/6 CAMP

The Year 5/6 camp to 15 Mile Creek Outdoor School is less than 2 weeks away! A reminder to families to complete the medical form online. A Xuno notice was sent last term with the link to the online medical form. We are excited to have the Camp Teachers visit us at school next Monday to have a chat about the activities that students will be participating in. Notices regarding the camp will be sent home today, please check your child school bag.



FROM THE PRINCIPAL—Marcia Waters

STUDENT

NAME: Sophie

GRADE: 1

TEACHER: Mrs Astley

FAVOURITE FOOD: Ice cream

FAVOURITE GAME: Roblox

FRIENDS AT SCHOOL: Lucy & Edie

WHAT HAVE YOU BEEN LEARNING: Numbers

WHAT IS YOUR FAVOURITE COLOUR: Purple and rainbow

FAVOURITE TOY / THING: Teddy

BEST THING ABOUT SCHOOL: Learning

WHEN I GROW UP: Police Officer

FAVOURITE HOLIDAY DESTINATION: Camping

WHICH SCHOOL VALUE IS YOUR STRENGTH? Be Your Best

**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 ½ 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
½ 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!

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Milo Mondays

Dear Parents, Caretakers and Guardians.

The Junior school council have decided to put together Milo Mondays for the chilly season.

We need parent helpers to prepare a large batch of warm milo for JSC. This offer is only going on for four weeks so don't miss out on this great opportunity to help warm the bellies of the KWPS students. If you're able to help us we would like to have the milo ready to serve by 12:15pm for the upcoming Mondays.

Without parent helpers we will not be able to accomplish this, and we would love to have something to warm us up in the cold weeks ahead. Any help would be greatly appreciated.

We will be selling the warm milo for 50c each. All funds will go to our schools end of year activities for the students to enjoy!

Please contact the office or email Mr Mc if you're able to help in anyway.

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Thank you, Kind regards JSC!

Date: 23rd June, 30th June, 21st July 28th July.



HIGH ABILITY INTAKE

APPLY NOW FOR 2026

Interested students will be required to undertake an assessment to determine suitability for this program.

REGISTER TO SIT THE ASSESSMENT

Expressions of Interest open:
Monday, July 21



Year 7



Year 9



**CHALLENGE YOURSELF
ACADEMICALLY**

Learn valuable 21st Century Skills in communication, collaboration and creativity.

Set yourself up for the rigor of senior secondary school and the opportunity to fast track subjects.