

Katandra Weekly



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No: 26 Thursday 24th August, 2023

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AUGUST

Fri 25th—Book Week Dress Up Day
Mon 28th—Transition Session

SEPTEMBER

Fri 1st—Father's Day Breakfast and Stall
Wed 6th—Melbourne Excursion F-6
Fri 8th—AFL 9s F-6
Mon 11th—School Council—7.00 pm.
Tue 12th—Italian/Music Extravaganza
Wed 13th — Hot Shots Tennis
Thurs 14th—CUP CAKE DAY
Fri 15th—Last day of Term 3
Dismissal 2.30 p.m.

OCTOBER

Mon 2nd—First Day of Term 4



DATES TO REMEMBER

PARENTS & FRIENDS

The orders for the Father's Day Breakfast have been sent home. Please make sure you return the order form by **Friday 25th August**.

We have also sent home a note about the Father's Day Stall. Please send \$7 in an envelope, with your child's name on it, to the office by **Friday 1st September**. Students will go "shopping" at the Father's Day Stall to buy something for their father or important person.



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!

Participate to Progress

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YEAR 5/6 CAMP

I had a great day visiting our Year 5/6 students on camp last week. Despite being the fourth day of a five day camp, they participated with enthusiasm and positivity. I think this is a testament to the quality camp program provided by 15 Mile Creek. I enjoyed listening to students reflect on their previous day (the snow day) and articulate their learning about the alpine environment. It was pleasing to hear students talking about having a go at activities they have never tried before and also trying new foods. The camp provided students with an opportunity to develop independence and resilience whilst learning about different environments.



CHILDREN'S BOOK WEEK

Katandra West Primary School will be celebrating Children's Book Week on **Friday 25th August**. Students are encouraged to dress up for the day as a character from their favourite book or as something related to the theme for Children's Book Week 2023 "**Read, Grow, Inspire**". Our day will begin with a whole school parade under the hayshed which we invite parents/carers to attend. After the parade, we will remain outside and have a school community "read in". Parents are asked to bring along their own book to read during this time. It will then be time to say goodbye to parents/carers until the end of the school day. During the day, students will be in multi-age groups and will complete Book Week activities with each of the teachers. We look forward to a fun day ahead.



MELBOURNE EXCURSION



We encourage families to please continue to return consent forms for the upcoming Melbourne Excursion. The F-2 students will be visiting the Melbourne Museum and the 3-6 students will be visiting Parliament House and the MCG. Details of the activities for each group is included on the notices. It will be a busy and exciting day for everyone. We received an amazing response to our request for parent helpers. Four parent helpers have been notified that they are required on the day of the excursion. We thank everyone that was prepared to generously give their time to help. If you have missed out on this opportunity to help, we are sure there will be more opportunities for you to volunteer throughout the course of your child's enrolment at Katandra West PS.

TELL US WHAT YOU THINK!

Our school is conducting a survey to find out what parents/caregivers/guardians think of our school. The Parent / Caregiver / Guardian Opinion Survey is an annual survey offered by the Department of Education that is designed to assist schools in gaining an understanding of families' perceptions of school climate, student behaviour, and student engagement. The survey is optional, but we encourage all families to participate. Our school will use the survey results to help inform and direct future school planning and improvement strategies. **All families at Katandra West Primary School are invited to participate in the survey.** The Parent/Caregiver/Guardian Opinion Survey will be open from **Monday 7 August to Friday 8**

September 2023. Families have been sent an email inviting them to participate in the survey. **So far we have had 29% of families respond.** Thank you to those that have responded, it shows that you care about what happens in our school.



FROM THE PRINCIPAL—Marcia Waters

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STUDENT PROFILE:

NAME: Audrey

GRADE: Four

TEACHER: Miss Lesich

FAVOURITE FOOD: Chocolate covered strawberries

FAVOURITE GAME: Capture the Flag

FRIENDS at SCHOOL: Esther, Izzy, Lilly Mc, Zoe, Phoebe & Meila.

WHAT HAVE YOU BEEN LEARNING: Swimming

FAVOURITE COLOUR: Mint Green

FAVOURITE TOY/THING: iPad, headphones & books

BEST THING ABOUT SCHOOL: Seeing my friends.

WHEN I GROW UP: I want to be an equestrian

FAVOURITE HOLIDAY DESTINATION: New Zealand

WHICH SCHOOL VALUE IS YOUR STRENGTH? Be Strong

WHY: Because I'm good at staying focused.

**STUDENT OF THE WEEK:****Foundation:** Adilyn**1/2:** Zaidee**3/4:** Esther and Lilly Mc**5/6:** Jack N**GROWTH ACHIEVEMENT****HOME READING****Be Safe - Be Respectful - Be Strong - Be Your Best**

KATANDRA KEYS



TRANSITION

We are excited to officially begin our transition sessions on **Monday 28th August**. Jayne Loveridge will walk to the Katandra West Children's Centre with the current Foundation students to visit the Foundation 2024 children from **1:15-2:10pm**. Children that do not attend Katandra West Children's Centre are able to attend the session with their parent/carer onsite. We can't wait to start getting to know the Foundation 2024 children!



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Katandra Crazy Cupcakes



Price ranging from
\$2-\$5

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It's our class
business

Special orders
are available



Date- 14th of
September



Order forms
need to be
returned with
payment by
Friday the 8th
of September

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