

Katandra Weekly



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SEPTEMBER

Thurs 11th — ASHEfest 3-6

Fri 12th — AFL Day @ Congupna
F-6

Mon 15th—School Council
@ 7.00pm

Fri 19th—Last day of Term 3, **2.30 dismissal**

OCTOBER

Mon 6th - First day of Term 4

NOVEMBER

Wed 5th to Fri 7th — Year 3 / 4
Ballarat Camp

DATES TO REMEMBER

FATHER'S DAY BREAKFAST

The sun was shining and there were lots of Nutella smiles at our Father's Day Breakfast last week. A big thankyou to Amy for organising the breakfast along with some other faithful helpers. Congratulations to Grant and Rhys who won the lucky door prizes. Thanks to everyone who was able to come along, it was great to see the community come together.



PARENTS & FRIENDS

TELL US WHAT YOU THINK

Our school is conducting the annual Parent / Caregiver / Guardian Opinion Survey offered by the Department of Education and is seeking your feedback. The survey 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 and appreciate your participation**. Our school will use the survey results to assist in identifying areas for improvement and professional development needs in the school, to target school planning and improvement strategies. The Parent / Caregiver / Guardian Opinion Survey will be open online from **Monday 18 August to Friday 19 September 2025**. All families are invited to participate in the survey. The survey will be conducted **online**, only takes **20 minutes** to complete, and can be accessed at any convenient time on desktop computers, laptops, tablets or smartphones. **The survey link has been emailed to families.**

Please contact the office if you need to update your email address with us. **So far we have had 18% of families respond.** Your opinion is important, we want everyone to have their say.



Tell Us what
YOU Think

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ASHEFEST 2025

Our Year 3-6 students will join the fun at ASHEfest 2025

— Schools Celebrating Culture Together, **tomorrow**

11th September. There will be games, face painting, arts and crafts, and a sausage sizzle. The bus will be leaving school at **9.00am sharp** as the day starts at Rumbalara Rec Reserve at 9.30am. Students will need to bring lunch, snacks, water bottle and hats. The sausage sizzle will only be one sausage, so please pack additional lunch.



AFL 9S CLUSTER DAY

All students will participate in the AFL 9s Cluster day at Congupna Primary School, **Friday 12th September.** There will be five local schools with around 200 students attending. It's a fantastic day of fun, footy, and teamwork that gives all students the chance to get involved. Families are not required to attend on the day as we would like our students to connect with students from other schools rather than sticking together in school or family groups. Students will need to bring their own lunch, snacks and water bottle. We encourage



students to wear their footy colours along with their school uniform, such as footy jumper over school t-shirt/jumper, beanie, scarf, footy socks etc. Please name all clothing items, drink bottles and lunchboxes. We have secondary students from SEDA and staff from AFL Victoria helping run the programs. What's happening for students:

Prep to Grade 2 – Auskick

Students will rotate through a range of fun and engaging footy activities focused on learning the basics and developing skills. These will be led by AFL Victoria coaches and supported by local high school students.

Grade 3 to Grade 6 – Superkick

Students will play 9-a-side footy matches, designed to build fundamental skills in a fun and inclusive environment.

SECRET GARDEN HOLIDAY PROGRAM

Bookings are open for the School Holiday Program provided by TheirCare at Katandra West Primary School, **"Secret Garden"**. Activities include excursions, super excursions, special activities and in-house fun. Check out a previous Xuno notice with details on activities for each day. Go to the TheirCare website to make your child's booking.



LAST DAY OF TERM 3

It has been a fantastic term of learning at Katandra West Primary School! My highlights would have to be the Book Week celebrations and the star gazing night. What Term 3 activity did you enjoy the most? **Friday 19th September**, is the final day of the term. We will have an end of term **assembly at**



2.15 pm in the BER before students are **dismissed at 2.30 pm**. The bus will depart Katandra West Primary School at 2.30 pm so please adjust your pick up time accordingly. Students return to school for **Term 4 on Monday 6th October.**

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

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STAFF ACHIEVEMENT

Congratulations to Kim Capper on completing the Sydney Marathon recently. Kim has been training since January for the marathon. Her preparation has included over 1000km of running! Kim's dedication to her running is matched by her dedication to our 2/3 class. Kim returned from Sydney after completing the marathon on that same Sunday, to then be back in the classroom on the Monday!



STUDENT AWARDS

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

F/1: Eddie

2/3: Ed

3/4: Olivia

5/6: Adam



HOME READERS



STEM STAR

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FATHER'S DAY BREAKFAST





Welcome to the 2025/26 Cricket season!

Cricket Teas are a major fundraiser for our school. We use the money from these teas to subsidise school programs such as the swimming program, school camps, classroom supply items and major items such as new playground equipment that is loved by our students. Last year we raised around \$2000 for cricket teas thanks to your help!! There will be another roster at the start of the 2026 school year for the second half of the cricket season. These teas are a great social event, so even if you aren't rostered on, we encourage you to come down and have a nice night out!

CRICKET ROSTER 2025

If you are unable to do your shift, please arrange your own swap with someone from another week and let your cook/team leader know.

DATE	COOK/TEAM LEADER	HELPER 1 (Serves food/does dishes/clean up)	HELPER 2 (Serves food/does dishes/Clean up)	Helper 3 (Serves food/does dishes/clean up)	CHIP COOKER (school council)	Desert
9th October	Amy van Popering 0428 198 305	Griffiths Family	Nate van Popering	Carrol Family	Luke	Amy van
16th October	Laura Lawn 0437 788 099	Campbell Family	Blanche family	Kristin D'Agruma	Phil	Laura Lawn
23rd October	Tam McLarty/Amy van Popering 0428 198 305	McLean Family	Shultz Family	Watters Family	Garth	Amy van
30th October	Amber	Blair Family	Parker Family	Ireland Family	Grant Mc	Mel Blair
6th November	George Cleary 0409 401 370	Mizzi Family	Osmond Family	Sandeman Family	Tim	Bec Osmond
13th November	Emma/Mel Blair 0400 250 085	Ewer Family	Poyner Family	Emma/Mel	Aaron	Bron Howells
20th November	Amy L 0419 529 734	Clurey Family	Boyd Family	Jasper Woods Family	Brooke	Kymberly Boyd
27th November	Sonja/Krista W 0419 766 535	Ford Family	Hill Family	Sonja/Krista	Rob	Debbie Hill
4th December	Bron Howells 0428 260 881	Dudgeon/Calder family	Perret-Mann Family	Audrey Marks Family	Jedd	Bron Howells
11th December	Emma 0400 250 085	Amy van Popering	Rowena	Muggleton Family	Marcia	Emma Klug
18th December	Christmas party/shared salad and desert and BBQ	All hands on deck	All hands on deck	All hands on deck	No fryer	No desert

Helpers please arrive around 5:30, unless otherwise arranged with your cook/team leader. Your shift will usually end around 8:30-9pm. Helper simply serves food does dishes throughout night and helps with clean up.

Chip cooker please arrive by 5:30pm. Keeps the flow of chicken schnitzels, chips and nuggets going. Chip cooker is first to leave the shift.



Come along to our first training session on Thursday the 11th of September from 5pm to 6pm at the Katandra West Tennis courts.

We will be fielding three junior tennis teams again this season. If you are interested in playing tennis or having tennis lessons, please contact our club President Tamara McLarty on 0488 619 412.

Thank you to the following volunteers for taking on committee roles:

Bek Campbell – Treasurer

Kaitlyn Kelly – Secretary

Tamara McLarty – President



EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

FOR THE 25/26 CRICKET SEASON

AGE GROUPS AND MATCH TIMES (DEPENDING ON NUMBERS)

- **UNDER 10S – WEDNESDAYS @ 4:45PM**
- **UNDER 12S – FRIDAYS @ 4:45PM**
- **UNDER 14S – WEDNESDAYS @ 4:45PM**
- **UNDER 16S – FRIDAYS @ 4:45PM**

TRAINING - THURSDAY @ 4:30PM

SEASON STARTS LATE OCTOBER

**WHETHER YOU'RE NEW TO THE GAME OR A
RETURNING PLAYER – ALL ARE WELCOME!**

**TO REGISTER INTEREST & FURTHER
INFORMATION**

CONTACT AMY VAN POPERING - 0428 198 305





FREE
EVENT

Goulburn Valley Water
presents

Let's
Grow

Waterwise Gardens



Wednesday 22nd October
7pm - 9pm

Eastbank Shepparton
(Stream live if you can't make it in person)

Discover how to design gardens that thrive
in the Goulburn Valley with gardening
experts Louise Costa and Cathy Olive



Book tickets or get more
information by scanning
the QR code or visiting
the Riverlinks website