

Katandra Weekly



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NOVEMBER

Mon 20th — P&F Dinner Meeting
Thurs 23rd — F-2 Extended Day & Sleepover
Mon 27th — School Council 7.00 p.m.



DECEMBER

Tues 5th — CONCERT & GRADUATION
Mon 18th — Colour Fun Run
Wed 20th — Last Day of Term



DATES TO REMEMBER

PARENTS & FRIENDS CRICKET CLUB TEAS

This week's helpers for Thursday 16th November: Amber in charge, with helpers Ireland Family, Poyner Family and Bronwen Howells and Brooke Lawn on chips.



Next week Thursday 23rd November Amy van Popering in charge with helpers Calder-Dudgeon Family, Osmond Family, Peta Allitt and Rob Campbell from School Council on chips.



Raffle

Tickets have sent home for our Christmas Raffle. Please write on both sides of the tickets.

DOOKIE SHOW RESULTS

1st Prize

Colouring Competition — Emily McLarty, Esther Cleary
Art Work — Maddox Ireland, Smith van Popering, Harvey lawn, Walter van Eyk, Ella McLarty, Annabelle McMullen, Summer Muggleton, Eliza Blair
Craftwork — Isabella Howells
Photography — Daniel Ewer (x2)

2nd Prize

Colouring Competition — Parker Osmond, Audrey Marks, Harper Ireland
Art Work — Daniel Ewer, Izzy Felmingham, Olivia Howells, Audrey Marks, Brysen McLean, Della Lawn,
Handwritten Poem — Jed Clurey
Photography — Daniel Ewer

Highly Commended

Colouring Competition — Smith van Popering, Ella Hopkins, George Poyner

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YEAR 3/4 BALLARAT CAMP

We saw the return of our Year 3/4 campers last Friday. All reports indicate that they had an exciting adventure in Ballarat. No one found enough gold to retire, but the lolly shop distracted them from that disappointment. I am proud of our Year 3/4 students who were maybe a little anxious about being away from home (some for the first time ever). They have discovered that they can do hard things and if they are brave and have a go, then they will have lots of fun.

P&F MEETING AND END OF YEAR DINNER

Our hardworking and generous P&F has scheduled their next P&F Meeting for **Monday 20th November**. This will be an end of year dinner meeting from **6.00pm at the Telegraph Hotel, Numurkah**. Please RSVP to Laura Lawn.



KANGA 8S CRICKET

Friday saw our Year 5/6 students participate in the Division Kanga 8s Cricket competition. Despite not winning a game throughout the day, the team represented Katandra West PS strongly and had some excellent pockets of play during their matches.

YACHTING

Our Year 5/6 students have been out and about again today. They had perfect sailing weather this morning for a yachting session on Victoria Park Lake in Shepparton. Students required teamwork to control their yachts and sail where they wanted to go.



CLASS STRUCTURE AND STAFFING 2024

We are currently confirming staffing arrangements for 2024, however I can announce two staffing changes for 2024. Janelle Lesich will be leaving Katandra West Primary School in 2024 due to a move to Melbourne to be with her partner. Although we are sad to see her go and she is sad to leave, we are excited for her and her new chapter. Janelle has assured me she will come back to visit when she can. We will be welcoming back Brady Mulcahy to Katandra West Primary School at the end of 2023. Brady has been on an overseas working holiday since May of last year and will rejoin our team in December. The class structure for 2024 will be four classes, **Foundation/1, Year 2, Year 3/4 and Year 5/6**. Stay tuned to future newsletters for further staffing information.

PARENT PAYMENT

We know that some families who have not yet contributed to the Parent Payment for their child in 2023 will be looking to do so before the end of the year. Term 4 is certainly travelling fast so this is just a friendly reminder that it is not too late to contribute to the Parent Payment and you might like to contribute earlier this term rather than later when Christmas is on your doorstep. Please contact the office if you would like to discuss the Parent Payment further. **Accounts are being sent home today.**



CRICKET AFTER SCHOOL

We fully support junior cricket being played at Katandra West Primary School, it's great for children to be active and involved in local community sport. We ask that families supervise their children who are not playing in the cricket match to ensure they are playing safely and appropriately within the school grounds after school hours.

FROM THE PRINCIPAL—Marcia Waters

STUDENT PROFILE:

NAME: Laurence

GRADE: Six

TEACHER: Mr McDonald

FAVOURITE FOOD: Nuggets

FAVOURITE GAME: Roblox

FRIENDS at SCHOOL: Chelsea PM & Arlena

WHAT HAVE YOU BEEN LEARNING: Shape

FAVOURITE COLOUR: Blue

FAVOURITE TOY/THING: iPad

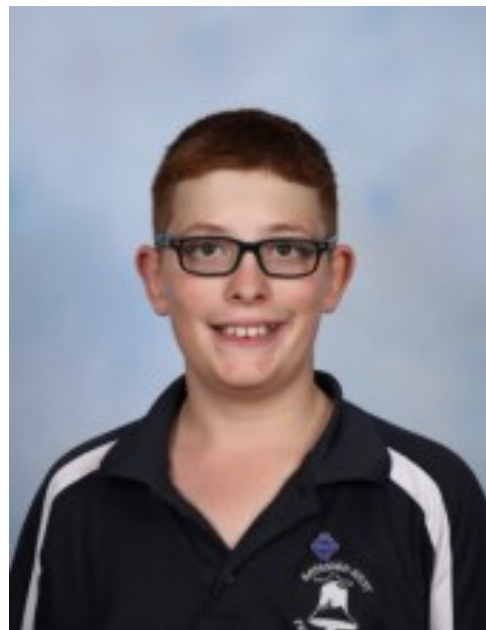
BEST THING ABOUT SCHOOL: Sport

WHEN I GROW UP: Police Officer

FAVOURITE HOLIDAY DESTINATION: Griffiths

WHICH SCHOOL VALUE IS YOUR STRENGTH?

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**STUDENTS OF THE WEEK:**

Foundation: Jack H

1 / 2: Matthew

3 / 4: Adam

5 / 6: Chelsea I

HOME READING**GROWTH
ACHIEVEMENT****KATANDRA KEYS****Be Safe - Be Respectful - Be Strong - Be Your Best**

SOLVE IT SQUAD

Assemble your **Solve it Squad** and see if you can solve the problem below. Record your working out and your answer on a piece of paper. If you want your solution to be published in next week's newsletter, send it in to the office by Monday morning. All correct solutions will be in the running to be published!

Animal tablets

A vet has a problem – he finds it hard to work out halves – can you help?

He has 3 packets of 5 cat tablets. He does not know if he has enough for the cats in his surgery today. Cats have tablets to match their weight. Use this table to help you work it out:

Cat weighs	Number of cats	Number of tablets each
0.5kg - 0.9kg	2	$\frac{1}{2}$
1kg - 1.4kg	3	1
1.5kg - 2.9kg	1	$1\frac{1}{2}$
3kg - 4.9kg	2	2
5kg - 5.9kg	3	$2\frac{1}{2}$



Challenge –
If a cat who weighs 10kg needs 3 tablets, estimate how many an adult male lion might need if he weighs 200kg!

How many packets does he need? Does he have enough?

SCHOOL CONCERT

We are currently preparing for our annual School Concert where our students will perform at the Katandra West Community Centre. Please save the date, **Tuesday 5th December**. The doors will open at 6.30 pm and the concert will start at 7.00 pm sharp. Students need to arrive in their costume ready to perform. Information regarding costumes will be provided soon. At the end of the students' performance, there will be formal presentations and the Year 6 Graduation. We are looking forward to celebrating the graduation and achievements of our Year 6 students with the whole school community.



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EVERY DAY COUNTS....

A day here or there doesn't seem like much, but...

When your child misses just...	that equals...	which is...	and therefore, from Kindy to Year 12, that is...	This means that the best your child can achieve is...
1 day each fortnight	20 days per year	4 weeks per year	Nearly 1 ½ a years of school	Equal to finishing Year 11
1 day a week	40 days per year	8 weeks per year	Over 2 ½ years of school	Equal to finishing Year 10
2 days a week	80 days per year	16 weeks per year	Over 5 years of learning	Equal to finishing Year 7
3 days a week	120 days per year	24 weeks per year	Nearly 8 years of learning	Equal to finishing Year 4

Give your child every chance to succeed...

Every day counts!



CHRISTMAS RAFFLE DONATIONS:

We need your help to make our annual Christmas Raffle a success. The Raffle will be drawn on the night of the Concert, Tuesday 5th December. Additional raffle tickets are available from the office. The P&F Committee want to make this year's Christmas Raffle the **biggest ever!**



Each child is asked to donate an item, each year level has been assigned what to bring to ensure we have a variety of items. If all donations can be back to the school by no later than **Friday 1st December** so that we can organize prizes.

Foundation/1: Chocolates and Lollies

2/3: Christmas Merchandise (tea towels, platters, placemats, decorations etc)

4/5/6: Christmas related Hamper Food (Christmas shortbread, festive pretzels etc)
Please do not supply any fresh, perishable items with quick use by dates, or items that require refrigeration. Thank you for your support.

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