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No: 37 Wednesday 20th November, 2024

NOVEMBER

Fri 22nd — F2025 Transition session Mon 25th — School Council Meeting

@ 7.00 pm

— T20 Blast cricket

Wed 27th — STEM Excursion to

Shepparton Year 3-6

Thurs 28th & Fri 29th - Extended Day &

Sleepover F-2

DECEMBER

Tues 3rd — School Concert

Tues 10th — Orientation Day, whole school

Wed 11th —Year 6 Fun Day

Fri 13th — Aspirations Day Year 5

PARENT PAYMENT

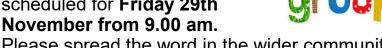
We know that some families who have not yet contributed to the Parent Payment for their child in 2024 will be looking to do so before the end of the year. Term 4 is certainly travelling fast so this is just a friendly reminder that it is not too late to contribute to the Parent Payment and you might like to contribute earlier this term rather than later when Christmas is on your doorstep. Payments can now be made by EFTPOS at the office, as well as direct deposit or cash. Our direct deposit details are:

BSB 063 527 ACC 1014 5342



PLAYGROUP

The next playgroup session is scheduled for Friday 29th



Please spread the word in the wider community.

CRICKET CLUB TEAS

This week's helpers for

Thursday 21st November

Cook / Team Leader: Amy

Lougoon

DATES TO REMEMBER

Helpers: Clurey Family, Boyd Family, Tyrrell Family Chip cooker: Rob Campbell

Desserts: Kimberley Boyd

Thursday 28th November

Cook / Team Leader: Bron

Howells

Helpers: Carroll Family, Hill

Family, Emma Klug

Chip cooker: Grant McLarty

Desserts: Debbie Hill

Thursday 5th December

Cook / Team Leader: Amy van

Popering

Helpers: Lisa Watters, Sandeman Family, Audrey

Marks Family

Chip cooker: Ray Ireland Desserts: Amy van Popering



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FROM THE PRINCIPAL—Marcia Waters

YEAR 3/4 ANGLESEA CAMP

I visited the Year 3/4 classroom earlier today and students were planning for some writing about their recent experience on camp. I could see long lists of fun activities that students were compiling, before they chose their favourite ones to write more detail about. I saw students planning their writing about activities such as body boarding, archery and mountain biking. They sure had a great time!















TRANSITION SESSION

We have our next Foundation 2025 Transition Session scheduled on **Friday 22nd November**, **9:30-11:00**. Foundation 2025 students will spend the session further familiarising themselves with the school and the classroom. Children are asked to bring a snack and drink bottle. I will be having an information session for parents once the children have settled. Parents will receive the school's Parent Information Booklet and information about the 2025 Parent Payment. We would love to see all parents attend as it is an opportunity for us to answer any questions you may have. A member of the



Parents and Friends and a member of the School Council will attend so that they can explain the importance of these parent groups to our school. We will also have our school uniform on display. Sam from TheirCare is also planning to chat about Outside School Hours Care (OSHC) with families.

EVACUATION DRILL

Please be aware that we will be having an evacuation drill on **Monday 25th November.** Teachers will be preparing students for the drill over the next few days. If you are around the school on Monday and hear the alarm, remember that it is only a drill.

EXTENDED DAY/SLEEPOVER

The Extended Day/Sleepover for our F-2 students is fast approaching, **Thursday 28th November**. Please return your child's permission and medical forms ASAP. We are waiting for all forms to ensure we have the information needed to organise parent volunteers and make catering arrangements.

STUDENT PROFILE:

NAME: Andrew

GRADE: 6

TEACHER: Mr Mulcahy

FAVOURITE FOOD: Spaghetti Bolognese

FAVOURITE GAME: Tennis

FRIENDS AT SCHOOL: Jack, Smith, Brysen & Jed

WHAT HAVE YOU BEEN LEARNING: Shapes

WHAT IS YOU FAVOURITE COLOUR: Pink & Green

FAVOURITE TOY / THING: Tractor

BEST THING ABOUT SCHOOL: Playing Sport

WHEN I GROW UP: Farmer

FAVOURITE HOLIDAY DESTINATION: Queensland

WHICH SCHOOL VALUE IS YOUR STRENGTH?: Be Safe

WHY: Because I am safe around everyone..



STUDENT AWARDS

STUDENT OF THE WEEK

F/1: Harper2: Poppie5/6: Esther



HOME READING





GROWTH ACHIEVEMENT

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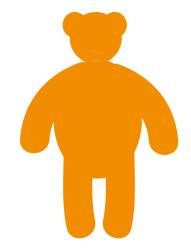
NEVER FEAR, THE SOLVE IT SQUAD IS HERE!

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. All correct solutions will be put into a draw that will be drawn out at Monday afternoon's assembly. The correct solution that is drawn out at the assembly will be published in the newsletter along with the next Maths problem for the **Solve it Squads**.



Traditional Story Maths

- **1.** Add the number of bears that Goldilocks met with the number of dwarves that Snow White met.
- 2. Double the number of Billy Goats Gruff and then add the number of trolls under the bridge.
- **3.** The Prince looked for Cinderella for 2 weeks. How many days is that?
- **4.** There are 7 dwarves in Snow White. How many shoes would they need altogether?
- **5.** Baby Bear eats 5 boxes of porridge a week. Daddy Bear eats double that amount. How much does Daddy Bear eat?





CLASS STRUCTURE IN 2025

The number of enrolments in each Year Level determines our class structure. In 2025 we will have four classes at Katandra West Primary School:

Foundation/1

Year 2/3

Year 3/4

Year 5/6

You will notice that the Year 3 cohort of students will be across two separate classes. Families can refer to our Classroom Placement policy for information about making a request for class placement. Please note, that we will not always be able to accommodate a class request, but will endeavour to take your wishes into consideration where possible. Families can find the Classroom Placement policy on our website. I have also sent a Xuno notice to families with children currently in Year 2, with the Classroom Placement policy attached.

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 3rd 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 **29th November** so that we can organise prizes.



Foundation/1: Chocolates and Lollies

2: Christmas Decorations

3/4: Christmas Merchandise (tea towels, platters, placemats etc)

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.

Raffle ticket books have been sent home with students today. More raffle ticket books are available from the office if you would like more.

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Parent and carer School Saving Bonus code distribution

The Victorian Government is delivering the School Saving Bonus – a one-off \$400 support for government school students from Prep to Year 12 in 2025.

From Tuesday 26 November 2024, you will receive an email from the Department of Education with your unique \$400 School Saving Bonus code.

The School Saving Bonus will help families cover the cost of uniforms, textbooks, excursions, activities and more.

If you have multiple children enrolled in Victorian government schools for 2025, you will receive one School Saving Bonus code email per child. These emails might arrive on different days. Please make sure to check your spam/junk email folder.

Parents and carers can use the School Saving Bonus code in store at school-nominated suppliers. Parents and carers can also choose to access the School Saving Bonus online system, where they can allocate part or all the \$400 bonus to use at school nominated-online suppliers or for school activities.

To learn more about the School Saving Bonus, visit <u>School Saving Bonus</u> <u>vic.gov.au</u> (<u>www.vic.gov.au</u>). A step-by-step user guide will be available on the webpage on 26 November.

If you have not received your School Saving Bonus code via email by Friday 29 November, please contact the Department of Education by emailing school.saving.bonus@education.vic.gov.au



A day of discovery for Year 5 students



ASPIRATIONS DAY

What:

A hands-on learning day for all Year 5 students in Greater Shepparton to explore career and study paths in science, hospitality, construction, media and much more

When:

Friday, 13 December: morning or afternoon session, including BBQ lunch, career displays and entertainment





Where:

Enterprise and Innovation Centre, Greater Shepparton Secondary College

Why?

We want our Year 5s to **DREAM BIG** and start thinking about where their secondary school journey can take them









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