

# Katandra Weekly

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## NOVEMBER

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

Mon 16th — Class Parties

Wed 18th — Colour Run & Fun Day

Fri 20th — Last day of Term

DATES TO REMEMBER

## CRICKET CLUB TEAS

This week's helpers for

### **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

### **Thursday 12th December**

Cook / Team Leader: Amber

Helpers: Dunne Family, Ford Family, Watters Family

Chip cooker: Marcia Waters

Desserts: Lisa Ewer

## **P&F MEETING**

We invite everyone to attend our next P&F meeting on

**Thursday 28th at the Community Centre at 6:00pm.**

P&F COMMITTEE

## **PLAYGROUP**

The next playgroup session is scheduled for **Friday 29th November from 9.00 am.** Please spread the word in the wider community.



Lisa Watters has done an amazing job as our playgroup leader over the last couple of years. With Liam coming to school next year, **we are looking for a new playgroup leader in 2025.** Playgroup is a valuable experience for the pre-school age children in our community and their families, we want to see it continue. If you know of anyone who may be interested, please ask them to contact the school to discuss what the role involves.



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## T20 BLAST CRICKET

Our girls cricket team competed at the regional T20 Blast cricket competition on Monday. We are super proud of the team, they finished fourth on the day. This is a fantastic achievement as our team consist of students in Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6. Most of the teams they competed against were entirely Year 6 students. They also battled through playing in the rain on the day!



## EXTENDED DAY/SLEEPOVER

Tomorrow, our junior students will participate in the first stage of the Katandra West PS camping program, the Extended Day/Sleepover. A reminder to families that Foundation students (and any Year 1/2 students not sleeping over) are to be picked up on **Thursday night at 7.30 pm** from the BER Building.

Foundation students will have a normal school day on Friday. Year 1/2 students that are sleeping over, will need to be picked up from school at **11.00am on Friday** to be taken home for the rest of the day.



## LIGHTHOUSE PROJECT SCHOLARSHIP

Greater Shepparton Lighthouse Project is dedicated to improving outcomes for children and young people in Greater Shepparton.

The Lighthouse Grade 6 scholarship is a one-off \$100 scholarship for a student at each Primary School to support their transition to Secondary School. Scholarship money can be used for school uniforms or supplies. The Grade 6 Scholarship is one of Lighthouse's many initiatives to support our students to reach their potential and thrive. I am thrilled to announce that the recipient of the Lighthouse Grade 6 Scholarship at Katandra West Primary School in 2024 is **Jack Newby**. Jack will be presented with a certificate at our assembly on Monday 9th December by a representative from the Greater Shepparton Lighthouse Project.



## 2025 STUDENT LEADERS

The process for selecting our 2025 Student Leaders was completed this week. The quality of the speeches from all Year 5 candidates was outstanding. They all spoke well in front of students in Years 2-6. After students voted, the candidates had an "interview" with a panel that consisted of a member of School Council, current School Captains, Brodie McDonald and myself. I was impressed with the maturity and passion they showed. It was a very difficult decision, with so many worthy candidates. **Congratulations to Millie (Captain), Lilly Mc (Captain), Jed (Vice Captain), and Smith (Vice Captain).** All other 2025 Year 6 students will have the opportunity to be on the Junior School Council if they choose.

FROM THE PRINCIPAL—Marcia Waters

**STUDENT PROFILE:**

NAME: Nevaeh

GRADE: 6

TEACHER: Mr Mulcahy

FAVOURITE FOOD: Carbonara

FAVOURITE GAME: Omori

FRIENDS AT SCHOOL: Grace

WHAT HAVE YOU BEEN LEARNING: 3 D Shapes

WHAT IS YOUR FAVOURITE COLOUR: Purple

FAVOURITE TOY / THING: My Laptop

BEST THING ABOUT SCHOOL: correcting Mr Mulcahy

WHEN I GROW UP: Architect or Photographer

FAVOURITE HOLIDAY DESTINATION: Queensland

WHICH SCHOOL VALUE IS YOUR STRENGTH?: Be Safe

WHY: I always try my best to stay safe and do what feels right.

**STUDENT AWARDS****STUDENT OF THE WEEK**

F/1: Lucy

2: Daniel

3/4: Matthew

5/6: Brysen

**HOME READING****MELBOURNE ROYAL SHOW****READING EGGS****Be Safe - Be Respectful - Be Strong - Be Your Best**



## 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?



**STAFFING UPDATE**

Brady Mulcahy will be on leave from Katandra West Primary School in 2025. He is moving to Melbourne to experience life in “the big city”. The staffing for each class in 2025 will be:

<b>F/1</b>	Rebecca Astley
<b>2/3</b>	Kim Capper
<b>3/4</b>	Jayne Loveridge
<b>5/6</b>	Brodie McDonald

Kim Capper will be joining our team in 2025, here's a quick introduction from her:

I'm excited to be joining the KWPS community in 2025! I've been teaching since 2009, primarily in South Australia, with a rewarding five years of experience teaching in London. At the moment, I'm teaching Year 2 at a school near Adelaide, and I'll be busy relocating from the beach to the Riverland (Barooga) just before Christmas. Outside of teaching, I enjoy running, umpiring netball, and exploring new places. I'm an Adelaide Crows supporter and have enjoyed living across from their training oval for the past 3 years! I'm really looking forward to meeting everyone and being part of your learning journey in 2025!



## CONCERT COSTUMES

**Our annual school concert is only one week away!**

Please see the below information regarding costumes for the concert. Please do not go to any great expense for costumes, make do with items you may already have, go to an op shop or borrow from others. Your child knows what character they are. Use the below information as a guide for their costume. They just need to look like the character they are portraying. Some characters have some or all of their costume supplied by the school. Your child's teacher can be contacted if you need further information. Jayne has previously sent a Xuno notice regarding the F/1 costumes, please refer to that notice for information regarding F/1 costumes.

### Year 2

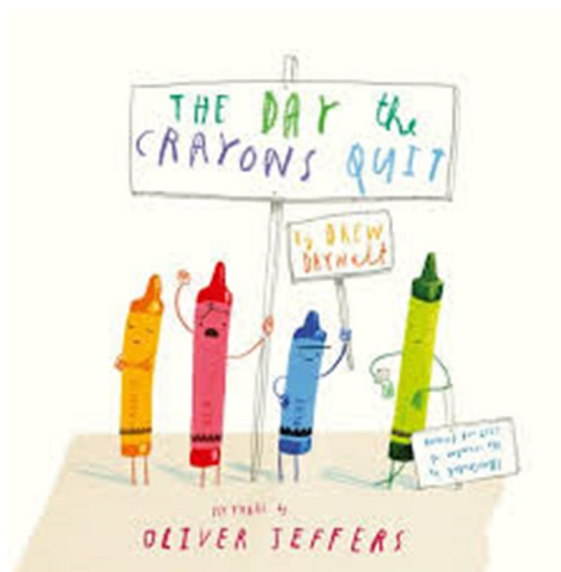
**Wizard** - costume supplied by school, however they can wear their own purple top and black pants along with the other items supplied by school if they would like  
**Knight** - grey and/or black clothes with a thick belt, there are some belts available at school if your child does not have one, other props supplied by school

### Year 3/4

**Gorilla** - costume supplied by school  
**Zookeeper** - khaki shirt, black or khaki shorts  
**Cow** - black and white clothes  
**Farmer** - farm clothes, hat  
**Reporter** - shirt and pants  
**Angus Young** - blazer

### Year 5/6

**Cowboy** - jeans, check shirt, hat  
**Bandit** - black clothes  
**Princess** - dress  
**Duncan** - shorts and t-shirt  
**Mum** - dress and handbag  
**Naked Crayon** - costume supplied by school  
**Bank Teller** - pants, shirt, skirt etc



**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.

**KATANDRA CRICKET CLUB UPDATE**

All the cricket practise during play time at school is working wonders. The Under 12s team is sitting second on the ladder with only one loss for the season. The team has 7 Katandra West Primary School students in it; Brysen, Cooper, Riley, Harvey, Jed, Archie H and Maddox. Harvey got his first hat trick last Friday!



## **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 [School Saving Bonus | vic.gov.au \(www.vic.gov.au\)](https://www.vic.gov.au/school-saving-bonus). 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](mailto:school.saving.bonus@education.vic.gov.au)





*A day of discovery for Year 5 students*

2024

# 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



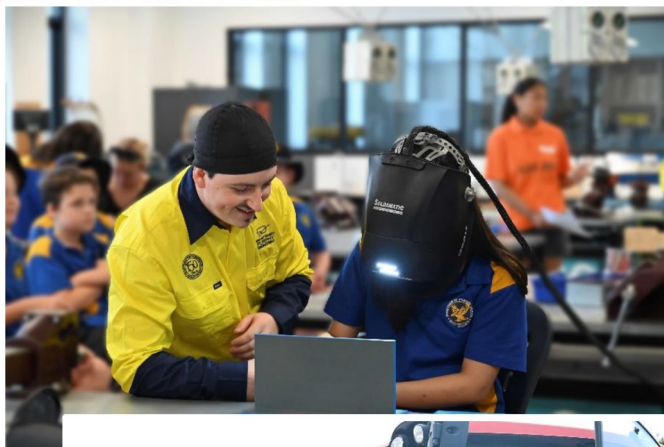
## When:

**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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