PARENTS & FRIENDS

Katandra Weekly

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Principal: Marcia Waters

No: 3 Wednesday 12th February, 2025

FEBRUARY

Wed 19th — NO Foundation students

Wed 26th — NO Foundation

students

MARCH

Mon 10th — Labour Day Holiday Wed 12th to Mon 24th — NAPLAN Fri 14th — Athletic Sports Day

APRIL

Thurs 3rd — School Photos Fri 4th — Last Day of Term 1

CRICKET CLUB TEAS

Thursday 13th February: Cook: Amy Lougoon

Helpers: Audrey Marks Family, Sandeman Family & Poyner Family.

Chips: Rob Campbell Dessert: Marks Family

Thursday 20th February:

Cook: Amber

REMEMBE

Helpers: Schultz Family, Blair Family &

Whittingham Family. Chips: Marcia Waters Dessert: Hill Family

Thursday 27th February:

Cook: Laura Lawn

Helpers: Cleary Family, Hill Family &

Griffiths Family. Chips: Brooke Lawn Dessert: Cleary Family

At our AGM on Monday 10th February the following were elected to P & F executive:

President: Emma Klug

Vice President: Laura Lawn Secretary: Amy van Popering Ass Secretary: Amy Lougoon

Treasurer: Lisa Watters

School Council Rep: Emma Klug

Lost Property: Lisa Ewer

Thank you to those able to attend the AGM. We are looking forward to the year ahead. We also would like to thank Sonja and Taz who picked up some Christmas Bargains ready for the 2025 Christmas raffle.

SCHOOL SAVING BONUS (SSB)

Families wanting to utilise part or all of their SSB for School Activities, (such as camps and excursions) are required to follow the steps outlined below:

- 1. Log on SSB parent portal and allocate the amount you wish to use for the Camp to School Activities
- 2. Call the office (58283350) and advise the amount you wish to utilise towards camp. Once your transaction from the parent SSB portal has imported into the school's accounting system (this may take 2 3 days) we will process your SSB amount against the camp and adjust the cost for your child.
- 3. Parents / Carers are then required to consent and pay any balance if required.



Be Safe - Be Respectful - Be Strong - Be Your Best

XUNO

The main method of communication between school and home is via Xuno. Please ensure that you have downloaded the smartphone app **Xuno Family**, to receive notices, newsletters etc electronically. Xuno also allows families to notify the school of their child's absences.



PARENT PAYMENT

Paying the Parent Payment ensures that we can continue to provide quality resources to support a rich educational program. The 2025 Parent Payment includes all of your child's subscriptions to online learning resources such as **Essential Assessment, Decodable Readers Australia, Lexiles, and SMART Spelling**. A separate notice with details of the 2025 Parent Payment has been sent home and is also available on our website. You also have the



option of making a voluntary payment with the Parent Payment to assist the school in maintaining our expansive school grounds, \$50 per family is a suggestion. The Parent Payment can be paid using direct deposit, cash or EFTPOS. It can also be paid via installments throughout the year, contact the office to discuss this.

INFORMATION BOOKLETS

Please check your child's school bag this afternoon for an envelope containing a number of information booklets and notices. At the start of each year we like to



provide families with relevant information booklets pertaining to Katandra West Primary School.

SCHOOL NURSING PROGRAM

A reminder to the families of our Foundation students to complete the School Nursing Program questionnaire online. Participation in the program is not



mandatory, but it is required that you provide consent to the program or indicate on the form if you do not wish your child to participate. If you would prefer to complete a paper version, please contact the office.

CSEF

If you currently hold a Health Care Card, your child is eligible for the CSEF payment. Please call into the office to sign a form to claim the CSEF payment. A new form needs to be signed each year. The amount of \$150.00 will be received by the school and will be used to cover the cost of the swimming program and excursions.



STUDENT PROFILE:

NAME: Kirrilly

GRADE: Foundation TEACHER: Mrs Astley

FAVOURITE FOOD: Strawberries FAVOURITE GAME: Monopoly

FRIENDS AT SCHOOL: Millie, Iylah & Chloe WHAT HAVE YOU BEEN LEARNING: Numbers WHAT IS YOU FAVOURITE COLOUR: Rainbow

FAVOURITE TOY / THING: Reading books

BEST THING ABOUT SCHOOL: Playing with friends

WHEN I GROW UP: Vet

FAVOURITE HOLIDAY DESTINATION: Thailand WHAT IS THE BEST THING ABOUT YOU? I am fun.



STUDENT AWARDS

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

F/1: Kirrilly 2/3: Grace S 3/4: Quentan

5/6: Zoe





STEM STAR

KATANDRA KEYS



When students are showing our school values and making positive choices, they can be acknowledged with a token called a Katandra Key. Everyone has a key ring in their classroom where they can collect their Katandra Keys. When students collect different amounts of keys, they can cash them in for a reward. Students visit Ms Waters to cash in their keys. Everyone who cashes in their acknowledgements, gets a certificate and gets a photo with their certificate in the newsletter. These are the first students to cash in Katandra Keys in 2025!

SCHOOL COUNCIL ELECTIONS

It is that time of the year again where we ask for nominations for School Council. If you are interested in becoming a member of the School Council, please collect a nomination form from the office. We have vacant positions to fill, everyone is welcome!



Nominations close on **Tuesday 11th March**. The AGM of School Council will be held on Monday 24th March, 2024.



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 1/2 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!



KATANDRA FOOTBALL NETBALL CLUB

JUNIOR REGO NIGHT

All player wishing to play netball in Under 15s, Under 13s and Under 11s are invited to attend.

Date: Thursday 13 February 2025

Time: 5:15pm Junior Preseason training

5:30pm Parent Info Session

Location: KFNC Netball Courts

Please note this will also be a meet and greet with coaches and a light training session.









FOURTHS FOOTY TRAINING IS BACK

COMMENCES WEDNESDAY 26TH FEBRUARY @ 5:30PM







WE ARE STILL ON THE HUNT FOR MORE PLAYERS SO FEEL FREE TO BRING A FRIEND DOWN, FOR **MORE INFO-RING PADDY 0427 942 335**









