

# Katandra Weekly



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DATES TO REMEMBER

## FEBRUARY

Mon 23<sup>rd</sup> – Free dance incursion  
Wed 25<sup>th</sup> NO PREPS

## MARCH

Mon 2<sup>nd</sup> to Fri 6<sup>th</sup> – 5/6 Canberra Camp  
Mon 9<sup>th</sup> – Labour Day Holiday  
Wed 11<sup>th</sup> - NAPLAN  
Fri 13<sup>th</sup> – SCHOOL SPORTS  
Mon 16<sup>th</sup> – S.C. AGM 7.00 pm  
Wed 24<sup>th</sup> – Glasses for Kids  
Wed 25<sup>th</sup> In School Incursion

## APRIL

Thurs 2<sup>nd</sup> Last Day of Term

## CRICKET TEAS ROSTER



### Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> February:

Cook: Amber  
Helpers: Blair Family, Hill Family & Blanche Family  
Chip Cooker: Grant McLarty  
Desserts: Melissa Blair

### Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> February:

Cook: Georgina  
Helpers: Felicity Woods, Osmond Family, Sandeman Family  
Chip Cooker: Brooke Lawn  
Desserts: Bec Osmond

PARENTS & FRIENDS

## PARENT PAYMENT

Paying the Parent Payment ensures that we can continue to provide quality resources to support a rich educational program. The 2026 Parent Payment **includes all of your child's books and stationery**. These items have been supplied to all students and include exercise books for each curriculum area, pencil case, pencils, textas, glue sticks, scissors, ruler, eraser, post it notes and more. A separate notice with details of the 2026 Parent Payment has previously been sent home and is 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.



## CSEF

If you currently hold a Health Care Card, your child is eligible for the CSEF payment. Please call into the office and sign a form to claim the CSEF payment. A new form needs to be signed each year. The amount of \$400.00 will be received by the school and will be used to cover the cost of the swimming program and excursions.



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

### MEET AND GREET

It was great to see families on Monday at our annual Meet and Greet event. Our students are always proud to show their parents around their classrooms. Thank you to Travis and Ray for cooking the sausages, they were delicious!



### 2026 STUDENT LEADERS

Congratulations to our School Captains, School Vice Captains and Junior School Councilors on receiving your badges this week. We are excited to see you further develop your leadership skills throughout 2026.



### CANBERRA CAMP



A reminder to families of our Year 5/6 students attending the Canberra Camp to return your child's medical forms and Camp Promise. Payment for the camp needs to be received before departing for Canberra. **Payment in full is required before your child can go on camp unless discussed with the office.**

### NO ASSEMBLY NEXT WEEK

All students will participate in a free dance incursion next **Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February**. The incursion is scheduled at the end of the school day so there will be **NO ASSEMBLY** on Monday.

### ATHLETICS SPORTS DAY

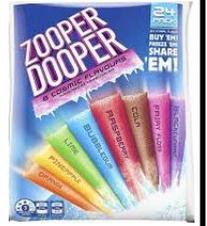
The Athletics Sports Day is approaching. It is scheduled for Friday 13th March at McEwen Reserve, Shepparton. This is located next to the basketball stadium on the corner of Numurkah Road and Brauman Street, Shepparton. School does not provide bus travel for the day, so parents are asked to transport their children to the Athletics Day. Our students are currently practicing the events they will participate as part of our teaching and learning program.



FROM THE PRINCIPAL

## **ZOOPER DOOPERS**

Students will be able to buy Zooper Doopers during the lunch break for **50 cents** each. Students are only able to purchase one Zooper Dooper a day and are discouraged from purchasing one for a friend. Students are responsible for their own 50c.



## **CHILD SAFETY AND WELLBEING AT KATANDRA WEST PRIMARY SCHOOL: INFORMATION FOR FAMILIES AND THE SCHOOL COMMUNITY**

Katandra West Primary School is committed to providing an environment where students are safe and feel safe. We have a zero tolerance for child abuse and are committed to protecting children from harm. Our comprehensive child safety framework outlines our school's strategies to support student safety and wellbeing. The framework includes the following policies, codes and procedures that are available on our school website and as a hard copy at the office:

- Child Safety and Wellbeing Policy
- Child Safety Code of Conduct
- Child safety Responding and Reporting Obligations Policy and Procedure
- Complaints Policy
- Student Wellbeing and Engagement Policy
- Bullying Prevention Policy
- Volunteers Policy
- Visitors Policy
- Digital Learning Policy
- Yard Duty and Supervision Policy



Our students and their families are important partners in keeping our students safe. We value feedback and ideas on how we can continuously strengthen our child safety framework. If you have any suggestions or comments, please contact Katandra West Primary School on 03 5828 3350 or at [katandra.west.ps@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:katandra.west.ps@education.vic.gov.au).

## **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 Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March. The AGM of School Council will be held on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> March, 2026.

School  
Council

## **STUDENT**

NAME: Matilda M

GRADE: Foundation

TEACHER: Mrs Astley

FAVOURITE FOOD: Mango

FAVOURITE GAME: Naughts & Crosses

FRIENDS AT SCHOOL: Millie

WHAT HAVE YOU BEEN LEARNING: Rhyming

WHAT IS YOUR FAVOURITE COLOUR: Pink

FAVOURITE TOY / THING: Elephant

BEST THING ABOUT SCHOOL: Learning

WHEN I GROW UP: Doctor

FAVOURITE HOLIDAY DESTINATION: Camping



## **STUDENT AWARDS**

### **STUDENTS OF THE WEEK**

F/1: Matilda M

2/3: Emily Mc

4: Riley O

5/6: Amelia



### **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 2026!



## CRICKET TEAS

Thank you to everyone for the support with this major fundraiser. Please see the Term 1 roster below. There may have been some swaps recently made, that are not reflected in this roster, however the relevant families will be aware of the changes.

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 2026**

*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 <small>(Serves food/does dishes/clean up)</small>	HELPER 2 <small>(Serves food/does dishes/clean up)</small>	HELPER 3 <small>(Serves food/does dishes/clean up)</small>	CHIP COOKER <small>(school council)</small>	Desert
29th January	Amy van Popering 0428 198 305	Griffiths Family	Nate van Popering	Poyner Family	Tim van Popering	Amy van
5th February	Laura Lawn 0437 788 099	Mizzi Family	Blanche family	Bree Dudge	Phil Osmond	Laura Lawn
12th February	Tam McLarty/Amy van Popering 0428 198 305	McLean Family	Ireland Family	Shultz Family	Aaron Howells	Amy van
19th February	Amber	Blair Family	Hill Family	Watters family	Grant McLarty	Mel Blair
26th February	George Cleary 0409 401 370	Bianca Geisler	Osmond Family	Sandeman Family	Brooke Lawn	Bec Osmond
5th March	Emma/Krista 0400 250 085	Amy van Popering	Kristin D'Agruma	Emma/Krista	Ray Ireland	Krista
12th March	Bron Howells	Wright Family	Boyd Family	Ewer Family	Jedd Wright	Kymerly Boyd
19th March <small>(final 22<sup>nd</sup>/23<sup>rd</sup> March)</small>	Sonja/Mel 0419 766 535	Parker Family	Tyrrell Family	Sonja/Mel	Marcia Waters	Debbie Hill

*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.*