



# Katandra Weekly

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## FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK



### NETBALL PREMIERS 2013

A huge congratulations go to the Under 13 netball team who beat Tungamah in the grand final by 1 goal! It takes a lot of courage and belief in yourselves to win against a team that you have been beaten by throughout the season. Well done girls, we are very proud of you!

Congratulations to Mrs Hudson also, for her win in the B Grade grand final!



Mrs Hudson, Abbey Monk, Brooke Maples, Helena Hosie and Alice Clurey

### WORKING BEE

There are quite a few jobs that we need help completing around the school. There is some general gardening to do as well as some repair work. We will be having a Working Bee on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> from 3.30pm. We will finish up at about 6pm with a sausage sizzle. All welcome.

### GRADE 6 TRANSITION

An application form for students requiring bus travel to secondary school next year is being sent home today. These forms need to be returned to the office by **Friday 13<sup>th</sup> September** so that they can be forwarded to the Area Bus Coordinator.

### HOME CONTACT DETAILS

Today we have sent home the Student Information Full Details forms. These record the contact information for each student in the school. Lately we have been noticing that a number of families have changed phone numbers or addresses and we have not been notified. It is vital that we have the correct information so that we can contact you in case a student is ill and also in emergencies. Please correct any information that is no longer accurate in a **RED** or contrasting colour pen and return to the office by the end of this term.

Next term we will be using an SMS service to contact parents with reminders and other important information when we need to get a message out urgently. Please rest assured that we will be continuing with our current forms of communication also.

### PREP TRANSITION 2014

This Thursday will be the first official visit of our Preps for 2014.

The children will visit from 9.00am to 11.15 and will join in with the morning routines of the classroom.

### HATS FOR TERM 4

Just a reminder that in term 4 students will need to wear a broad brimmed hat when outside. This is in line with our Sunsmart Policy.

### 5/6 TOY HOMEWORK

At present we are working on our persuasive and information texts as well as a poem and contents page. Children need to make sure they are up to date as magazines are due in on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> September.

*Angela Buxton* Principal

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# IMPORTANT DATES

	SEPTEMBER		OCTOBER
Wed 11 <sup>th</sup>	School Council Dinner TONIGHT	Mon 7 <sup>th</sup>	Term 4 commences
Thurs 12 <sup>th</sup>	Transition for new prep children	Wed 9 <sup>th</sup>	Cluster Science – Bacchus Marsh -Grade 4 &5
Fri 20 <sup>th</sup>	End of Term – BBQ lunch Dismissal – 1.30 p.m. Out of Uniform Day – Footy Fever	Mon 14 <sup>th</sup>	Div. Athletic Sports

## STUDENTS OF THE WEEK



Back Row: Declan Connors, Abbey Monk, Paige Mann  
Front Row: Finn Walters, Chelsea Harry, Heidi Smith

## REPTILE ENCOUNTERS

Today we were visited by a range of reptilians. In next week's newsletter we will include some of the children's writing about it.



## **BULLYING AND CYBERBULLYING CYBERSAFETY AND SOCIAL MEDIA**

As part of our KidsMatter program, this term our theme has been focusing on friendships and, as part of this, bullying. The Department of Education has recently released some interactive modules on bullying, cyberbullying and the use of social media, for parents as well as students. I have included the link to the parent modules below. It would be great if you could find time to go through the modules as we continue to work with students in this area. If you have any concerns at all, please let me know.

I would really appreciate your feedback on this. Next term we plan to run a parent information session on this issue at school. This would be run by one of our Regional staff members who has particular expertise in this area. I will let you know when this has been organized.

Also, I thought it relevant to let you know of some websites that students may be accessing from home. These include sites such as: Facebook, Qooh.me, Kik, Snapchat, Instagram and Facetime. They are all forms of instant messaging.

### Interactive Learning Modules

Programs and Initiatives > Bully Stoppers > Parents > Interactive Learning Modules

#### Bullying and Cyberbullying

This module, developed in partnership with Andrew Fuller, (clinical psychologist and student wellbeing specialist), has been developed to help parents understand, recognise and manage bullying and cyberbullying behaviours.



<http://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/programs/bullystoppers/Documents/res3/res3.html>

#### Cybersafety and Social Media

This module, developed in partnership with Susan McLean (cybersafety expert), has been developed to help parents address standards of behaviour in the context of cybersafety and social media.



<http://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/programs/bullystoppers/Documents/res5/res5.html>

Some other useful websites include : <http://www.bullyingnoway.gov.au/> and <http://www.cybersmart.gov.au/>

There is also a free app for ipods, iphones and ipads called Take a Stand  
<https://itunes.apple.com/us/app/take-a-stand/id507931486?mt=8>



**GAME ON!**  
**SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM**

**Multi sport fun**

Dodge Ball, Octopus Tiggy, Soccer, Steelers, Rounders, Hockey, Table Tennis, Badminton, Ultimate Frisbee & so many more.

Premier Soccer are running the popular 'Game On' school holiday program! This fun-filled program offers a variety of different sports and activities to all primary school aged children (5 - 12 years).

Children can be dropped off from 8:30am and children can be picked up between 3.30pm - 4.00pm. If required, children can be booked in for 'Extra Time' from 4.00pm - 5.00pm for an additional \$10 per child.

**DATES AND VENUES**

September: 23rd, 24th, 25th, 26th, 27th, 30th      **Shepparton Sports Stadium,**  
120 Numurkah Road, Shepparton  
Ph: 03 5832 9480

October: 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th

**\$30**  
Per day

There are limited spaces available so parents are strongly encouraged to pre-book their children in advance into the required days to avoid missing out. Children must bring a packed lunch, drink bottle and morning/afternoon tea.

**COSTS:** \$30 per child per day.

Register online at [www.premiersoccer.com.au](http://www.premiersoccer.com.au), contact Shaban on 0401 843 372, [shepparton@premieroccer.com.au](mailto:shepparton@premieroccer.com.au) or drop in to the Sports Stadium at 120 Numurkah Rd, Shepparton

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DID your kids enjoy Learning hockey this year??

GV Hockey Active after schools Hockey would like to invite families to the BIG hockey field, to attend the

**Goulburn Valley junior Hockey**

**GRAND FINALS THIS SATURDAY**

10 am Under 13s      Strikers vs SYC

**EXHIBITION GAMES**

11.45 Under 11      1 PM under 9s

1.45 Under 15s Echuca vs Strikers

**FREE Entry**

**Fun for all the family!!**

**Sausage sizzle**

**MILO IN2 CRICKET**

There will be a registration night on Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> October at 3.45 p.m. at the main oval, Katandra West for the Katandra Eagles IN2 Cricket Program.

Cost will be approximately \$55.00 which includes coaching, bat, hat, shirt, bat and ball.

This is a great opportunity to introduce your kids to cricket. The Program is aimed at the 5 to 9 year age group. For more information contact Paul Harry on 0400158323.

**Would \$500 assist with your child's school costs?**

Join Saver Plus and match your savings, dollar for dollar, up to \$500 for education costs including uniforms, text books, laptops, sports equipment and music tuition.

You may be eligible if you:

- have a Health Care Card or Pensioner Concession Card
- are 18 or over and
- have some paid income from work (you or your partner).

Contact Sharon Wandin, your local Saver Plus Worker:  
03 5822 8100 / 0439 067 021 or [swandin@berrystreet.org.au](mailto:swandin@berrystreet.org.au)

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