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Week 9
Term 4

Kandanga State School Newsletter

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Calendar of Events

DATE	DETAILS
Tuesday 05th January	Report Cards Released
Friday 08th December	Last day of School Last Day of Swimming Clean up day
Thursday 18th January	Student Free Day
Friday 19th January	Student Free Day
Monday 22nd January	School Resumes for 2024
Friday 26th January	Australia Day Holiday

**Birthdays from
30th November -
22nd January
2024**

**Happy Birthday
Dia
Mia
Koa**

**2024
Tellan
Hope
Mayson
Shakira**

Message from Mr Lucht

**Playgroup has
finished for 2023**

Greetings all,

With only 7 days of school left in 2023 this will be our final newsletter for the year. It has been an outstanding year with the students achieving fantastic results across all areas. The key to this success has undoubtedly been our amazing attendance rate which is currently sitting at 97% for the year across all grades. This equates to average of 6 days absent from school for the entire year which is outstanding and ranks us as one of the highest attending schools in the entire North Coast region. Whilst some students have not even had that many days off and some have had significantly more, it is a testament to our parental group that our students have averaged less than two days absent from school each term. This will continue to be a focus area for us in 2024 as it is astounding to think that over a full 13 years of schooling, if your student misses 1 day per term, by the time they finish grade 12 they will have missed 52 days which is just over 1 full term of schooling or a full year if your child has 4 absent days per term.

We are currently sending home any spare books that your child did not use this year to help with your planning for next year. Rather than purchasing a whole new selection of books for next year, please check what your child has left over from this year first to see what may still be able to be used for 2024.

All assessments have now been completed and report cards will be issued via email next Tuesday. If you would like a paper hard copy please advise the school to organise, likewise if there are multiple email addresses you would like the report sent to.

The resurfacing of our undercover sports area is now complete and will be available for students to use following the final inspection this week. The entire court received some much needed repairs and an entire recoat of specialised flexible adhesive to ensure a long lasting finish.

Finally, thank you to everyone for your support this year. We wish everyone a safe and happy Christmas and New Year and look forward to seeing you all back in 2024.

Farewell to our Year 6 Students



The staff and students at Kandanga School would like to wish all our Year 6 students the very best for 2024 as they enter into their High School Years.

Farewell to: -

**Jumaine
Jack
Tellan**



Thank you Volunteers and Staff

The school is able to function with the support of volunteers and I wish to take this opportunity to thank our P&C and parent helpers that assisted the school throughout 2023.

Our teachers and teacher aides work tirelessly often without acknowledgment of the great work they do. I thank each of them for the work they do. We also have a team of support staff that do a great job and I thank them for their hard work and dedication to our school.

Enjoy a safe and Merry Christmas and we will see you all next year.
Merry Christmas from all the Staff at Kandanga State School.

Kandanga P&C 2024

Kandanga State School P&C are looking for more members for 2024.

If you would like to know more, or become a member, please log on to our website kandangapandc@gmail.com to express your interest.

We are also in urgent need of tuckshop volunteers as well for 2024.

Canberra Camp 2024

Just a reminder to parents of Year 5 and 6 students in 2024 that a deposit for the Canberra Camp is due by Monday next week.

This is also a reminder to start budgeting for the camp to avoid trying to find funds at the last minute.

Report Cards Released

Report Cards will be emailed out to all parents next Tuesday 05th December. Please make sure that you have notified the school if you have changed your email address or if you require a paper copy of your child's report. Thank you.

Booklists 2024

Book lists for 2024 will be sent home with students in Years P-5 next week. The booklists can also be accessed via our School's Website:
www.kandangass.eq.edu.au
Please make sure your child has all their books prior to school resuming in 2024.

Clean up Day

Friday 08th December is a clean-up day. Teachers and office staff will use this day to update student files and complete end of year administration tasks and tidy / prepare classrooms for next year.

Swimming

Our last day for swimming will be next Friday 08th December. The whole school will walk down to the pool for their swimming lessons and also a fun swim. Don't forget your togs and towels.

Away for the Day

From the beginning of 2024, all Queensland State School students will have their mobile phones switched off and 'away for the day'.

'Away for the day' will support our school to maintain a strong focus on educational achievement, and student wellbeing and engagement by:

- providing optimal learning and teaching environments
- encouraging increased face-to-face social interactions between students
- promoting the health and wellbeing of students through increased physical activity at break times

reducing the potential for students to be exposed to the negative impacts of the digital world, resulting from unsafe or inappropriate technology use.

For more information and frequently asked questions, visit the department's website [link to: <https://tinyurl.com/329kup6u>] or contact Kandangan State School.



**Have a Safe &
Happy
Summer
Vacation.
School Resumes
for all students on
Monday
22nd January 2024**



**School Watch phone
number for
reporting any
suspicious activity
over the school
holidays.**

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KANDANGA End of Year Community Gathering

Sunday 17 December 2023

*From 4 pm till late
at Jack Spicer Park*



Activities on the oval

- **Free Sausage
Sizzle & Fruit**
- **Music- BOI AND ESKAE**
- **Family Fun &
Games**
- **Everyone
Welcome**

**Swimming at
Kandanga Pool
5pm-7pm
Free Entry**



Bring a plate to share and a chair or blanket



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Tuckshop

**Last tuckshop for the Year is this Fri-
day and tuckshop will be**

FREE

**so no need to bring
along any money.**

**We just ask you to
write down your
wish list of food as
per the usual menu
(NO Toasties sorry).
Leave your order in
the usual place.**



