



# CATTAI PUBLIC SCHOOL

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Term 3 Week 8 — 8th September 2022

### PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

#### School Car Park Update

I don't want to make any promises, as it is yet to be confirmed, but the conversations I have been having with the Asset Management Unit look like we are aiming for Phase 2 of the car park to be completed over the Christmas holidays. All going to plan at the end of this year. The reason for this is that throughout the project there will be no access to the school site and they are anticipating it will take longer than 2 weeks to complete. Hopefully this will be the case and we can put to rest one of the P&C and school's biggest ongoing, unresolved agenda items and do a collective happy dance.



In the meantime can I ask that parents, grandparents and carers be vigilant whilst driving in the car park. Take that extra moment before driving off to check for students and community members. Drive that little bit slower especially on big events like our Book Week/Grandparent's day when we are beyond capacity. Or say calm blue ocean 3 times over if it helps you get in a zen like mind set. Also, be mindful that everyone else is probably feeling just as frustrated with the situation and it is no ones fault in particular. Sleep easy knowing a solution is on the way. Hang in there, hopefully it will be all over soon.

#### Hawkesbury Dance and Music Festival

On Monday, the 5th September, 30 students from K-6, both boys and girls, danced their little hearts out for the Hawkesbury dance and music festival. It was such a proud Principal moment to see the hard work, sweat, hair spray and makeup all come together on the night. Thank you to our army of parent helpers that arrived at 5pm to get hair and makeup looking professional. Also a huge thank you to Clare and Mrs Morgan for the

countless hours put into choreographing the dance, purchasing costumes and heading up such a wonderful experience for our Cattai students.

#### Outside School Hours Care update

Congratulations to TheirCare on their successful tender application for the OSHC here on site at Cattai PS. Thank you to Peter from TheirCare for attending our last P&C meeting to provide information around the service and answer questions from parents. Early this week, I sent out some more information about TheirCare. In this skoolbag post was also attached information about a \$500 voucher that can be applied for through the Service NSW app. We have also put this information into this issue of the newsletter. I highly recommend that parents apply for this voucher. It does need to be done before the end of September and used before June 2023. You never know when something might come up and you may want to use the service or just if you want to have the afternoon off and let your child play and learn with their Cattai friends for an extra few hours after school.

Also here are some useful links that TheirCare shared with me.

Welcome Video

<https://theircare.com.au/theircare-video/>

"How to register"

<https://vimeo.com/518026345>

"Bookings"

<https://vimeo.com/518027442>

Take care

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## CALENDAR

### TERM 3 CALENDAR

Wk	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>W8</b> <b>Aug</b>	5	6	7	8 Academic Challenge Spelling	9 Chess Competition Bingo Night
<b>W9</b> <b>Sep</b>	12 Academic Challenge Maths	13	14	15 Parent Assembly C2	16 St 2&3 Netball Gala
<b>W10</b> <b>Sep</b>	19	20	21 MMVWaC Academic Challenge	22 St 2&3 Soccer Gala	23 Explosion Colour Run

### TERM 4 CALENDAR

Wk	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>W1</b> <b>Oct</b>	10	11	12 Kindy Transitions	13	14
<b>W2</b> <b>Oct</b>	17	18 Windsor High Transition Day	19 Kindy Transitions	20	21
<b>W3</b> <b>Oct</b>	24	25	26 Kindy Transitions Stage 3 Camp	27 P&C Talent Quest Stage 3 Camp	28 Stage 3 Camp
<b>W4</b> <b>Oct/ Nov</b>	31	1	2 Kindy Transitions	3 Talent Quest	4 Parent Assembly C1
<b>W5</b> <b>Nov</b>	7	8	9	10 Talent Quest	11 Remembrance Day St 2&3 Basketball Gala
<b>W6</b> <b>Nov</b>	14	15 MMWaC Community Concert	16	17	18
<b>W7</b> <b>Nov</b>	21	22 Phonics with families	23	24 P&C	25



## *A note from the Secretary....*

### **Book Club**

We would like to thank Carolyn Miller for taking over the role of book club co-ordinator. She takes over from Anne Atkins who we would also like to thank for all her great work in the position for the last few years. We are aiming to start handing over roles as soon as we can as most people on the committee have kids in year 5 and will be leaving the school at the end of next year. Please consider taking on a job, it's not hard and can be shared by people if that helps.

### **Bingo Night Friday 9<sup>th</sup> September**

Sorry that our night clashes with Parramatta's big game (only joking Penrith supporters), but it will be a fun night for the kids who get a night out.

Its not too late to attend, go to Trybooking and book today!! It's also not too late to donate a Bingo Prize or a pack of soft drink. So far, we have kids toys, \$300 in Bunnings Vouchers and things for Mum.

### **Number Board**

We still have quite a few numbers available and we are hoping to draw the winner at Bingo Night – so please help us by spending \$20 on a number. Share the post put up today on the school facebook page to spread the word. It is a great prize for an even better cause!

### **P&C Meeting**

Next P&C is back to standard time of 7.30pm on Thursday October 27.

### **Cake Day**

Our next cake day is on 2<sup>nd</sup> November. The following families are to supply. **King, Kozyra, Lehrer, Mills (C&C)**. Reminder to pack **50c** for the day.

C1

Inspired by Vincent van Gogh, C1 have created their own Starry Night artwork.





### Colour Explosion Fun Run

Cattai will be holding their first *Explosion Colour Fun Run*, as a fundraising event during Term 3. Students will be given a sponsorship booklet to assist them in raising money for their school. *Explosion Colour Fun Run* is all about fun! Students will navigate our fun run whilst being sprayed in vibrant, non-toxic genuine colour powder.

Students who raise just \$10 will be able to choose a prize! The more they raise, the better their reward- don't forget to check these out in the sponsorship form. The funds raised will go towards Cattai Public School's playground and equipment. As well as the *Explosion Colour Fun Run*, cupcakes will be sold on the day for a gold coin donation.



### Having trouble redeeming your voucher?

We know sometimes these things can be tricky. Our awesome customer support team is available between 6:30am and 9:00pm Monday to Friday. Give us a call on 1300 072 410 and we can walk you through the process.

### Did you know?

Every family with children at a NSW primary school is eligible for one voucher per child, which will provide each child with approximately 60 sessions of free care. (depending on your normal out of pocket charges)

### Not currently enrolled?

If you're not already registered with TheirCare, it's not too late, simply visit [www.theircare.com.au](http://www.theircare.com.au) and select 'Book Now' on the menu to start your registration or call our customer care team on 1300 072 410!

### A typical day of fun at TheirCare

TheirCare OSHC programs are fun, inclusive and create a sense of belonging. Every session has a minimum of one planned activity. Every child can be involved in self-directed play such as sport, STEM, environment, music, cooking, art or games with stations set up during every session.

Holiday Programs focus on 'creating experiences' for children and includes excursions, incursions and in-house programming to create variety of choice and the right value for money for parents

TheirCare provides nutritious, healthy and fresh food at every session, with fruit, vegetables and water available throughout the duration of every session.



Sport STEM Games Music Clubs Cooking Art Nature



## GET YOUR \$500 BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE VOUCHER NOW!!

### How to redeem

From this morning parents will be able to apply for and redeem their \$500 voucher from ServiceNSW as part of the Before and After School Care voucher program.

Once you have a copy of your voucher please email a copy and the unique code [info@theircare.com.au](mailto:info@theircare.com.au) and we will apply the voucher to your account and confirm that it has been successful.

You will be able to monitor your account balance and credit usage via the TheirCare parent portal which can be accessed here [www.theircare.com.au](http://www.theircare.com.au)

### How to apply

- Select the 'Apply online' button (include link)
- Log in, or create your MyServiceNSW Account.
- Follow the prompts to apply for the voucher.
- If successful, you will:
  - find the voucher under the 'Vouchers' section of the Service NSW app and in your MyServiceNSW Account.
  - receive an email from Service NSW with the voucher available to download and print