Valuing and Prioritising Sustainability as a Whole School Approach at Broadmeadows Valley Primary School

This year Broadmeadows Valley Primary School has begun the exciting journey of becoming a more sustainable school with the assistance of our regional CERES facilitator as well as the support of our school leadership.

Not only has this journey been one of ‘ticking the boxes’ and completing a series of audits, but it has been one that the whole school- staff and students, have taken on board as a major priority to develop in our school.

In order to highlight the value of ‘taking care of our Earth together’, a student environmental leadership team was developed to lead the students in our new sustainable actions. This leadership position has been highly valued within BVPS, and these students are released from class for one hour per week to assist in developing new initiatives for our school, including implementing nude food days, compost bins and so on.

Staff worked together to develop a cross-age curriculum to engage students in thinking sustainably, and students elected action teams to take part of to put in place actions to make our school more sustainable.

As a result of working together as a whole school on ‘taking care of our Earth together’, the students have presented as united in their understandings and actions, and we look forward to continuing this journey in the future.