Hello BVPS,

The end of another jammed packed week of great learning and community activity here at school! The 2013 Hume Cup Netball and Football competition was held here on our playing fields and netball courts. It was great to see our year 5 and 6 students come together in celebration of participation, fun, fitness and respectful competition. Everybody enjoyed themselves immensely!

We thank our school coaches for the time and effort that has gone into supporting our students in being able to compete in the wider school community.

A very important part of a teacher’s role at Broadmeadows Valley Primary School is the supervision that they provide before school, after school, at recess and at lunch time. Before and after school supervision ensures that the children arrive and leave the school grounds in a safe and orderly manner. At recess and at lunchtime, there are 4 teachers and at least 1 additional Education Support Staff member with the students in a formal supervisory way.

We ask parents and carers to support us in ensuring your children get home safely. Children need to understand how they will be picked up from school, where they will be picked up from school and most importantly if they are being picked up....WHO is doing that. Every day here at school there are children left to wait at the office with no idea of who or when someone is picking them up. This can be a very stressful time for students and teachers alike. Please ensure your child knows that if you are running late to come and wait at the office. If you are running late please call the school to inform us of this and we in turn can let your children know.

Communication is the key!!

Are your contact details up to date? This is a VITAL source of information we need to contact you. If you haven’t updated your contact information, please do so at your earliest convenience.

PREP FOR 2014 ENROLMENTS ARE NOW OPEN!!

BVPS is currently taking enrolments for the 2014 school year for all year levels including Prep. Anyone planning to enrol their child for next year can get an enrolment pack and further details from the school office. The 2014 Prep Transition program will be held Further details to be published in upcoming editions of The Valley View. To enrol your child in a Victorian government school you will need to fill out an enrolment form at that school and provide important information about your child, including:

- evidence of your child’s date of birth
- your contact, phone and address details, and that of any other parent, guardian and/or carer
- names and contact details of emergency contacts
- doctor’s and dentist’s names and phone numbers
- Immunisation Status Certificate
- health and welfare information
- information about the language/s your child speaks and hears at home

Have a great weekend
LN1 is going to the SNOW!

What an exciting week it has been in LN1! We have begun our Enrichment topic, *Weather in my World*, which will continue over the next 5 weeks. During this time we will investigate the characteristics of weather and the ways in which it affects our daily lives. The most exciting part is that we have got parental support and approval to take our kids to the SNOW! On Friday 30th Aug (next week) LN1 are off to Lake Mountain Alpine Resort, where students will have the opportunity to be involved in snow play and sledding. Both students and teachers are very excited about this wonderful learning opportunity and unforgettable school experience! If you have any questions about what clothing your child will need for the day please speak to any of the LN1 teachers.

All Prep and Grade 1/2 students made kites this week and flew them on the basketball courts and the oval. The wind provided perfect kite flying weather and the rain held out just long enough for us to have some fun! This experience was used as a stimulus to write a recount with a focus on how to turn their wonderings into questions and have them how to play games by being fair and encouraging their group and teaching skills. Our students have been helping their groups with playing meadows SDS. The students have been becoming mentors for the students at the Broadmeadows SDS. Some of our students have become mentors for the students at another school in our community.

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Stay warm and safe over the weekend and see you all next week for another fun filled week of learning!

Jodie, Marija, Rosie, Rob, Karen, Beth and Trudy

**LEARNING NEIGHBOURHOOD 2**

Wow, what an incursion we had yesterday! The CSIRO’s Star Lab was a unique and engaging way to provide the students with information about space. The students discovered what the eight planets are and what they are made of, how gravity works, how the Earth moves around the sun and how long it takes and even they even found out about a diamond planet!

Here are quotes from some of our space explorers:

**Madi:** We learnt about space and that in 5,000,000,000 years the Earth is going to get sucked into the sun. Venus has lava volcanoes and if you go there you will get squashed like a can because the rain is acid.

**Brysyn:** I learnt that on Venus the rivers are made of lava, the air will squash you like a can and it has volcanoes. Some stars are hot and some stars are cold. Uranus has north and south poles the opposite to Earth.

**Saiha:** It was so cool when Lucas zoomed in Jupiter because it felt like you were really in space. I learnt how Pluto is smaller than nearly everything in the universe. I learnt how there is a black hole in the middle of the Milky Way.

**Sihaam:** Wow! It was amazing! We got see all kinds of planets. My favourite thing was when Lucas told us about the diamond planet. I would go there first and take all the diamonds before anyone takes them.

**Ayla:** It was a fun tuning in to go into the dome to see how space works. I learned that there is a planet made out of diamonds and a planet that is hotter than the sun. There were lots of information that Lucas told us about the galaxy and the solar system. It was very cool and wobbly in the dome. It was cool when Lucas zoomed into the planets.

**Lily:** I liked when Lucas had the laser and was pointing it to all the planets and when he zoomed through all the planets. I loved how we went into the dome – I nearly tripped over. I liked it when we did a countdown and we went into space.

Some of our students have become mentors for the students at the Broadmeadows SDS. The students have been helping their groups with playing board games, painting and motor skills. Our students have been encouraging their group and teaching them how to play games by being fair and how to take turns and share. It has been a fantastic opportunity for these students to be mentors and helping students in another school in our community.

Have a wonderful weekend.

Jodie, Paula, Krystina, Nicole, Julian, Trudy and Marty.

**LEARNING NEIGHBOURHOOD 3**

**News Around The Clock!**

A reminder of LN3’s new enrichment topic is *Natural Disasters*. The students will embark on their second excursion for the term to IMAX and
On the 2nd of September, Notices have been sent home this week. The excursion will be additional $5.00 for those students who have funds left in their excursion levy. Without the excursion levy the full cost will be $25.00.

There has been a concern with students missing using their iPad during class time. The use of chat and photo apps are to be only used with the assistance of the classroom teacher. It was unfortunate a group of students failed to follow the lease agreement this week. Quote from the lease agreement form (When I use my iPad I have responsibilities and rules to follow. I agree to: use the equipment properly and not interfere with the work or data of another student; only take photos and record sound or video when it is part of a class or lesson.) A student will lose the privilege of taking their iPad home for a week and only use the iPad for educational purposes if they fail to follow the lease agreement. If a student continues to fail to follow the lease agreement, the lease agreement will be terminated. Please be aware the Lease Agreement Form is a legally signed document that must be respected and followed through.

For more information on special dates and this term’s curriculum; check out the Term 3 Newsletter which is now at all homes.

LN3 Teachers: Wendy Cecchini, Lisia Halton, Mori Milholland, Clint Youlden and Daniel Montalto

Breakfast Club – Important Information for all Parents.

The 2013 BVPS Breakfast Club is run by four of our excellent Education Support Staff members; Linda Mostyn, Indra Mahoney, Leanne Mustard and Amanda Bricknell. It provides a healthy start to the day for over 50 children, including students from the Collingwood English Language School. Due to the popularity of the program and the importance of all students completing breakfast before heading out on time to the Ifit program, the following points need to occur:

- The Breakfast Club will run from 8.15am to 8.45am every day.
- Children need to come into Breakfast Club immediately they arrive at school.
- The Breakfast Club doors will open at 8.15am and close at 8.45am. Children will not be served after that time.
- All Breakfast Club students will be ready to join in Ifit at the beginning of every session.

Calendar

Tuesday August 27
AASC 3.30pm - 4.30pm
Netball

Wednesday August 28
AASC 3.30pm - 4.30pm
Handball

CHANGE OF DATE
Thursday August 29
Father’s Day Stall
9.10—11.30am
1.40—2.30pm

Friday August 30
LN1
SNOW
Excursion

Cricket Gala Day
Jacana Oval
LN3

Birthdays

Nazlihan C
Zainab A
Notice Board

29th AUGUST 2013

FATHER’S DAY STALL

Broadmeadows Valley
We will be having a range of gifts for sale at our father’s day stall. All students have the chance to buy for their fathers.

Father’s Day stall

Gift from $0.50 - $3.50

Students can get their dad’s a lovely gift

Time: 9:10am-11:30am and 1:40pm-2:30pm unless sold out

Don’t forget to bring a plastic bag

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