Hello to everyone in our learning community,

Over the past 4 months Broadmeadows Valley primary school students have engaged in learning about “SUSTAINABILITY.” Students have researched and put into action various plans that will help our school become more environmentally friendly. Student led projects that focused on WATER, BIODIVERSITY, WASTE AND ENERGY are being showcased on Tuesday and Thursday of next week during our SUSTAINABILITY FAIR. This culmination of the learning will no doubt identify the various opportunities that we will be able to explore to ensure that we are using all the resources available to us in the most effective and productive manner here at school. A sustainable school demonstrates a committed whole school approach to sustainability education and improving outcomes for our environment. Students will make recommendations that can change our school and learn how they can change their community. They are making real decisions that are relevant to their lives.

Sustainability is one of the richest authentic learning areas and can generate hundreds of exciting areas of learning.

Sustainable Schools are among the most exciting places to learn:

- Have outdoor environments that students enjoy
- Are places where students take care of their school, their environment and each other
- Build links between the environment
- Participate with their communities to live more sustainably and improve the quality of life for all

To support and continue to make Broadmeadows Valley a truly sustainable school, I am thrilled to announce that we have been successful in receiving a “Green” grant. Almost 200 Victorian schools will receive grants of up to $10,000 to reduce energy use and promote sustainable practices. The grants will help our school undertake energy audits and install equipment such as energy efficient light bulbs, door and window draught seals, small wind generators, or replace less energy efficient appliances.

“The Energy Efficiency Grants Program for Victorian Schools not only provides Victorian schools with important funding to begin or continue their sustainability journey, it also provides practical support on ways to live more sustainably.

How sustainable is your household? Talk with your children and they will be able to give you some ideas!!

Have a great weekend, and there is no more finals talk from me!!
LN1 News!
The LN1 team would like to say a big thank you to all the students and parents who attended the 3 way conferences this Thursday! The conferences were student led, giving children the opportunity to be the drivers and steer the conference, keeping the focus on their learning. It was a very successful day and students took great pride in showcasing their learning to their parents. All LN1 students put a lot of hard work into completing their recounts about the snow. They illustrated them beautifully, stuck them on cardboard and laminated them to create a poster to share and discuss with their parents. There were many proud and happy faces as children talked about the wonderful adventure they had on snow day! Students also shared some of the learning that has been taking place in reading and maths.

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The Preps were very excited about their Fire Ed visit this Monday but unfortunately the fire-fighters were called out to an emergency and were unable to come to our school. We have another visit scheduled for Monday 16th and have our fingers crossed that they will be available to educate us on Fire Safety.

The whole school was fortunate enough to have the Bully-Stoppers production come to our school at the end of last week. The students from the Dimboola Early Learning Centre, the Collingwood English Language School and the Broadmeadows Special Development School joined us in the multipurpose hall to watch the performance. Students learnt the values of being a good friend, helping each other, sharing, being kind, listening, telling the truth, saying sorry, being yourself and showing self-control. We will continue to use this language as well the terms ‘above the line’ for good behaviour and ‘below the line’ for bad choices.

A reminder that we still have a large number of items in lost property from the snow trip. If your child is missing anything please come and have a look.

Have a lovely weekend and let’s get ready for the final week of Term 3!

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

Learning Neighbourhood 2 News!
Thanks so much to all the parents and students who came and shared and celebrated their learning at the Three Way Conferences yesterday. It was very pleasing to hear and see the students articulating their learning and showing how proud they are of their work.

The students have been listening to and viewing picture story books during Maths sessions to extend their thinking in multiplication and division. It was surprising to hear some students questioning why we were reading books during Maths. Maths is everywhere and literacy is a major part of Mathematical learning, for example, vocabulary, problem solving and real life experiences.

There is still a huge number of jackets and jumpers in our lost property tub. Please come and check the tub if you are missing any uniform tops, plus lunch boxes and drink bottles. Please label all uniform, lunch boxes and bottles, as we can return any items to the owner straight away.

We have had quite a few unexplained student absences over the past week or two. If your child/children are absent from school please write a note to explain their absence and send the note with them on their return. You are also welcome to ring the school and inform the office staff of the absence. Thank you for your cooperation.

Have a wonderful weekend.

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

LEARNING NEIGHBOURHOOD 3 News Around The Clock!
It was pleasing to see our students in LN3 celebrating their learning yesterday in their 3 way conferences. Most of the students were prepared, spoke with great confidence and were able to demonstrate their skills to their parents. 3 Way Conferences are a vital process which provides information about what students know and what they can do, and to make recommendations for their future learning. If your child did not present their 3 way conference yesterday, we encourage them to book another time and present by the end of term.

A hands-on project in numeracy is underway called Destination Asia. In cooperative groups, students are to plan and budget a short trip to an Asian country. The project covers recording a timeline, mapping, world
time conversion, 12 and 24 hour time, fractions and decimals. Ask your child to share some of their investigation with you.

In Literacy, students are revising their skills around summarising. With i-read students are able to practise their summarising skills with peers and teachers.

Stay tuned for next week’s newsletter for the Netball State Finals results.

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

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**Breakfast Club at BVPS**

8.15am—8.45am

Monday to Friday Breakfast Club has moved to the brand new sparkling kitchen in the Visual Arts Studio.

Students currently can choose to enjoy cereal or toast with jam, vegemite or cheese. There is also the option to have a cup of Milo with your breakfast.

All students who require breakfast are welcome to attend.

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**LOST PROPERTY**

There are several items of lost clothing in the neighbourhoods and sick bay. Are you missing any school uniform?

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**ENROLMENTS 2014**

If you have a child who is turning 5 by April 30, 2014, they will be ready for school. Call into the office for an enrolment form. If you have friends or family with eligible children, let them know about our great school.

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**LAST DAY OF SCHOOL**

Friday 20

Next Week @ 2:00pm FINISH

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**Calendar**

**Monday September 16**

Fire Education Preps and Grade 6

**Wednesday 18**

Athletics Finals Meadow Glen

**Thursday September 19**

Cake Stall fundraiser for the Bungoma Hospital Kenya
Recess & Lunch time
Prices from 50 cents

**AFL Auskick 2012**

Jacana AFL Program on oval
3.40pm—4.40pm

**Friday 20**

LAST DAY OF TERM 2.00 FINISH

**Birthdays**

Anastasia A
Andrew Y
Tele F
Ahnaf H
Hakan K
Eman O
Jerimah D
Reem H
Ali S
JUNIOR CRICKET, FUN FOR EVERY BOY & GIRL!

WE INVITE YOU TO JOIN OUR 2013/2014 CRICKET PROGRAM

WE'LL BE FIELDING TEAMS IN THESE AGE GROUPS

UNDER 10s, UNDER 12s & UNDER 14s

TRAINING is TUESDAY & THURSDAY NIGHTS @ 5pm – 6pm @ JACANA RESERVE

PLUS ‘MILO IN2CRICKET’ PROGRAMS @ JACANA RESERVE & Broadmeadows Valley PS commencing School Term 4

*ALL EQUIPMENT IS PROVIDED THOUGH YOU’RE WELCOME TO BRING YOUR OWN

OUR JOINING FEE for U10s, U12s & U14s IS ONLY $10.00
OUR MATCH FEES are $5.00 Per Week
OUR MILO IN2CRICKET PROGRAM costs $65.00

YOU’LL Coached by Cricket Australia Level 1 ACCREDITED Coaches
All Coaches will have Working with Children Accreditation

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION
Contact Mark ‘Ollie’ Chambers 0400 70 10 69
Visit our Website or Facebook pages

Are you looking to play Australian Rules Football?
Then the Jacana Football Club is the club for you!
We are a family club with a great environment for young people to make friends, learn and develop skills. We pride ourselves on being:

- Inclusive to all members of the community, including women & members of the multicultural community
- Being a level 3 Good Sports Accredited Club
- Offering an outstanding junior program for participants 5 years old & upwards either through our AFL Auskick Clinics or at competition level [U10, U12, U14, U16 & Youth Girls U17s]
- Jacana Football Club has produced a large number of AFL players, including:
  - Bruce Doull [Carlton] 4 Time Premiership Player & AFL Team of the Century
  - Chris Johnson [Fitzroy/Brisbane Lions] 3 Time Premiership Player
  - Scott Wynd [Western Bulldogs] Brownlow Medallist & WB Captain
  - Jose Romero [Nth Melbourne/Western Bulldogs] 1st Chilean born player in AFL

Please come along to our Junior Pre-Season Training Sessions
Monday November 11th, 2013 @5pm @Jacana Reserve
Monday November 18th, 2013 @5pm @Jacana Reserve
Monday November 25th, 2013 @5pm @Jacana Reserve

Join us at our Junior Registration Day
Sunday February 9th, 2014 @12pm @Jacana Reserve

Please feel free to come to one of our dates above and see what the club is all about.

Previous experience in playing Australian football is not necessary. We have experienced junior coaches that can help you develop your skills.

Please pass this information onto any of your family or friends

For further information please contact Mark ‘Ollie’ Chambers
Mobile 0400 70 01 69 Email mac1964@live.com.au

We look forward to hearing from you & hope to see you on one of the dates outlined above