NEW SCHOOL TIMES
FOR
BROADMEADOWS VALLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL

Hello everyone,

Now that I have your attention I would like to inform you all of the new times for our school day. "New school times" you say.... We have surveyed parents, asked our students and collected the data.

All this feedback has enabled us to make the decision to change the hours of some of our school day.

9.45 -9.55 am
START OF DAY  iFIT  - Mon, Tues, Wed

9.00am – 11.00am LITERACY LEARNING

11.00am – 11.30am  RECESS

11.30am – 1.30pm NUMERACY LEARNING

1.30pm – 1.40pm  INDOOR LUNCH EATING TIME

1.40pm – 2.10pm  LUNCH BREAK

2.10pm – 3.15pm  ENRICHMENT LEARNING

3.15PM  FINISH
You can see by the new times that not much has changed!

The only difference being a shorter lunch break for the students and a finish time for the end of the day. The amount of time learning does not change.

We are practicing this new school day beginning on Wednesday 15th June – Wednesday 22nd June 2016, ready for full implementation in TERM 3.

We're looking forward to your support in ensuring that our students are picked up at the new time.

Regards

Carmela
LN1 NEWS!

Science in our daily lives.

On May 31st, LN1 headed off to Scienceworks as part of our Enrichment unit. The students explored a range of exhibits including Alice’s Wonderland, Think Ahead and Sportsworks. A particular favourite was the Nitty Gritty Super City, which shows how a city works, scaled down just for children. In the construction zone, junior builders learn how levers and pulleys make hard work easy. They can make a weather report in a studio, watch what happens to waste, and meet the city wildlife big and small. There are buttons to push, ropes to pull, and objects to investigate.

Students also attended the Toys and Forces show. Toys were used to develop imagination and physical skills as well as providing valuable insights into a wide range of science concepts. The show encouraged students to investigate the actions of forces in the workings of different toys.

We had a fantastic day and have enjoyed continuing the learning back at school.

Reminder: LN1 Science Fair, Tuesday June 14th from 2.30-3.15.

Until next week,

Amy, Cyndi, Wendy, Rob & Jamielee.

LN2 NEWS!

Come and See What We Have Been Learning!

The students and teachers of Learning Neighbourhood Two have enjoyed a jam packed term of learning. We have solved agonising algorithms, published noteworthy narratives, read some terrific texts and conducted exciting experiments. Now it’s time to share this with you! Please come and join us on Wednesday the 15th of June at 2.30pm to celebrate the wonderful learning that has taken place this term.

In reading this week students have begun learning about the first step in Reciprocal Reading - Making predictions! Students have been learning about the predictions they can make during the different stages of reading and the importance of justifying what they have predicted. Another skill students have been learning is how they can predict using clues. There’s still a bit of work to be done, with some students predicting Mrs Vella’s toiletries bag was actually a lunch box and that Miss DePetro’s gym bag had a sleeping bag in it!

In writing this week, students have been taking part in writing conferences to set themselves achievable goals to improve their writing. Students are keen to discuss their writing and see where they have to get to next to achieve their goal. Students are given a goal based on one of the writing traits which include: Ideas, Organisation, Voice, Sentence Fluency, Conventions and Editing.

Questions you could ask your child at home is, “What are you trying to do as a writer in this piece of writing?” and “Show me where you have achieved your goal in your writing this week.”

In Enrichment, students have created a question based on an area of interest in Science. All students are now researching their questions using books, the internet and an app called ‘Learnist’. Students have been really excited, sharing the information they have found with other students. Students will be presenting their work at the end of the term using the Science Inquiry Skills.

That is the latest news in LN3 and a big thank you to all the families that have brought back their Parent Teacher Interview notes. We look forward to seeing you and sharing your child’s learning.

LN3 NEWS!

It has been a wet and windy week in LN3, but the learning train keeps on keeping on! This week we had a special incursion performance by members of the Essendon Football Club which was a play about the effects of bullying online. All the students enjoyed the performance but more importantly, now have an understanding of how people’s actions online can affect other people. Following the performance, all grades had a workshop with one of the actors helping students understand how to avoid situations of Cyberbullying and how to be safe online!
We’ve had a busy time in the garden this term, harvesting sunchokes, kale, silverbeet, and pumpkin and planting garlic, peas, broad beans, onions, lettuce and... more kale!

LN1 have been planting broadbeans in cups and observing and drawing them so carefully and finding out which grows first the root or the shoot. They’re planting some in the garden too for a yummy spring snack.

LN2 have been designing experiments to investigate the growth of broad beans and using the scientific method to predict, observe and explain what we see. We’ve cut them open to see what’s inside, observed how the plant breaks out of the seed and are finding out what happens if we plant them in the dark, plant them without soil, or water them with milk, vinegar or salt water.

Every student in LN3 has finished their safety induction so they are able to use all tools safely and tackle any job with confidence. This makes them a champion force in the garden, doing lots of jobs that need strength or special care. Many are getting great at harvesting leafy green vegetables and herbs – look out for these at Friday café or assembly. Finding a frog in the garden was a sign of the health of our ecosystem and a reminder of why we don’t use chemicals or pesticides. Look for the photos and full story on the LN3 window.

Stay warm!
Carol

Calendar
Term 2

Every Friday
Conversational English Classes
Fridays 9.15 - 11.15am in "The Hub" (LN1)
FREE!
Child minding available

BREAKFAST CLUB
Reminder to all Families
Breakfast Club is held on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday morning. Opening at 8.15am and closing at 8.45. All students welcome.

Birthdays
Chelsea B
Stavro B
Suleeka J
Manderia M
Tyrone E
Rawan H
Brendan J
Mia-Rose E

Curriculum Day
Thursday 23rd June and Friday 24th June

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INVITATION!!

We would like to invite all parents and carers with an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander background to please join us for coffee next Wednesday the 15th of June, from 8.45-9.30. We would love to enjoy a coffee with you and chat about how we can enrich the learning for all of our students at BVPS. Our Young Indigenous Leaders are keen to expand in knowledge and members, your contribution is very important to this effort.

Please contact Nathan, Brigitte or Eva if you are keen to attend or have any further questions.

ATTENTION PARENTS AND FAMILIES!

BVPS Parent Ambassadors in partnership with Hume City Council and Broadmeadows Leisure Centre present

Fitness for all Levels!
A FREE 8 week program for parents and families.

Start: Friday 21st July (Term 3)
Time: 12 - 2pm

Spaces are strictly limited to 20 participants.

Please register your place at the Valley Cafe or in the office.

See Nicole, Brigitte for more information.

FOR PARENTS!

British chef Rob Rees will deliver a cooking demonstration in the BVPS kitchen on Wednesday 22nd June at 11am.

Register your interest at The Valley Cafe or the office.