PRINCIPAL’S COLUMN

Hello everyone,

The Victorian Government has now introduced child safe standards for organisations that work with children. Ministerial Order 870 sets out the specific actions that registered schools need to take to meet the child safe standards.

In this newsletter I will outline for you our belief and understanding of how we provide your children and our students a safe and secure learning environment.

Broadmeadows Valley Primary school is committed to child safety. As a community we want children to be safe, happy and empowered. We support and respect all children, as well as our staff and volunteers. We are committed to the safety, participation and empowerment of all children. There is zero tolerance of child abuse, and all allegations and safety concerns will be treated very seriously and consistently with our robust policies and procedures. We meet our legal and moral obligations to contact authorities when we are worried about a child’s safety, which we follow rigorously.

Broadmeadows Valley Primary school is committed to preventing child abuse and identifying risks early, and removing and reducing these risks. We have robust human resources and recruitment practices for all staff and volunteers. Our school is committed to regularly training and educating our staff and volunteers on child abuse risks. As a community we support and respect all children, as well as our staff and volunteers. We are committed to the cultural safety of Aboriginal children, the cultural safety of children from a culturally and/or linguistically diverse backgrounds, and to providing a safe environment for children with a disability. Broadmeadows Valley Primary School has specific policies, procedures and training in places that support our leadership team, staff and volunteers to achieve these commitments.

At Broadmeadows Valley Primary school:
Everyone connected to our school can help children be safe.
We have zero tolerance for any abuse of children.
We already have policies and processes in place to protect the care, safety and welfare of children. These are being strengthened to ensure a zero tolerance approach to child abuse. As policies are ratified at school council, they will be made available to your through the newsletter and on our web page.
Attached is our commitment to Child Safe Policy
There will be clear boundaries about how adults in our school community may interact with the children here set out in our school’s Child Safe Code of Conduct. This will be made available when school council ratifies it at school council on 18th October 2016.

Our school policies around the Child Safe Standards are currently being reviewed by School Council and staff. They will be formally presented at our next meeting on the 18th October 2016.

Have a great weekend, keep safe and look forward to seeing you all on Monday.

Carmela
Week 2 in LN1!

Hola! What another wonderful week of learning we have had. Spanish with the LN1 teachers and Senorita Marina are in full swing. We have learnt the basic Spanish greetings and would like to practise with you at home. "Como se llama?" means what is your name? Ask your child and they will answer in Spanish. The students will spend the whole term learning the basics of Spanish language and using it during their learning time.

Is it living or non-living? That is the question for Enrichment in term 4. This week we looked at the life cycles of living things. We learnt about the life cycle of a butterfly. Ask us about the 4 stages of the butterfly’s life cycle.

Narrative writing has well and truly taken the neighbourhood by storm. We have seen and heard many creative stories this week. We have written stories about going to town in some fancy cars like a Lamborghini and a Ferrari.

We now have a stage set up at the front of the play based learning room. Our students have been turning some of the books they have read into brilliant acting performances. Some of our students recreated the story Farmer Duck and the story Hairy Bear was acted out by some of the students in 02P and 02C.

This week, notes were handed out for Term 4 swimming lessons at the Broadmeadows Leisure Centre. There are only 100 spots available to the students of LN1 so if you are interested in enrolling your child in the program, please get your child’s permission note in quickly to avoid missing out. If your child has CSEF funding, this may be used to cover the cost of the program. If you are unsure, you can check your child’s CSEF funding at the office.

Until next time adios!

Amy, Jamielee, Wendy, Cyndi and Rob.

Learning Neighbourhood Two

It has been a wonderful week ok learning in LN2 this week. Our focus on poetry has continued in literacy and the further we go into the world of poetry, we are seeing how much further there is to travel. In numeracy, we have been studying, planning, acting and reflecting on some real life maths problems. Our Enrichment has been super special over week one and two, where we have been learning alongside the super learners in LN3. Our collaborative learning has helped us explore the issue of global warming.

Have deep conversations at home about the learning that is happening at school. Every conversation helps us to learn just that little bit more.

We love to share what we have been doing. So here are some examples how we engage in some of the fabulous learning in literacy.
These are some examples of our limericks. Have a go at one of these today at home!

There was boy called Dan,
He kept himself cool with the fan.
He likes to sing in a mike,
While he rides on his bike.
He wishes to be a man.
Muhamed

There was a girl names Harley-Quinn,
Her hair was really, really thin.
She was sent to jail,
Her flip was an epic fail.
She ended up with a bruised chin.
Mandy

Have a great weekend!

Week 2 has finished with a dig and a spike. The Broadmeadows Valley Bulls Volleyball team represented our school in the District finals this week. A massive congratulations to our girls who were fantastic throughout the day! It is a massive shame, but Interschool Sport has come to an end for 2016! We have been thoroughly impressed by the sportsmanship, teamwork and never give up attitude.

In reading this week, students have been learning how to make judgements about a text and continuing to use evidence as a way to justify their opinions. Students have been applying their skills to their iRead books and have been focusing on completing their set work independently with enough time to dive deep into independent reading.

In writing, we have been enriching our writing by including various figurative language techniques. Students are able to use similes, metaphors, idioms and onomatopoeias effectively in their writing to keep the readers interest by making their writing more interesting. Students all have a writing goal that they are working toward, ask your child what it is and how they are practicing this skill in their writing every day.

Fractions and decimals are two words that can be heard throughout the neighbourhood after recess. Students have been adding, subtracting, comparing, ordering and using their new found knowledge in real world contexts. All students have a Studyladder account where they are able to practice these skills at home. We encourage all parents to work with their children in helping consolidate learned concepts at home.

LN2 & LN3 have been working together as they continue on their journey, exploring Climate Change and the impact that it has on our world. Students have been working collaboratively, using their iPads to research and using the outside environment to collectively build their understanding. All the students have been enjoying themselves thoroughly!

Have a great weekend! LN3
Notice Board

IMPORTANT DATES
18th Oct: School Council Meeting 6pm
26th Oct: Whole School Photo
27th Oct: Grade 2 Sleepover

Term 4

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

All Welcome

Congratulations to our Parents
Ambassadors.

On Wednesday our Parent
Ambassadors delivered a
presentation to the Parents Victoria
Annual Conference.

They talked about our practice and
commitment to family engagement at
BVPS.

Well done on this is a great
achievement.

Birthdays

Mark S
Maria K
Corey W
Indianson F
Annabella W
Aiden R
Ahmad Z

Happy Birthday
YOGA

10 Week Courses

Every Tuesday: October 18th - December 20th, 2016

MUMS & BUBS: 2PM - 3PM

Mums and bubs is a supportive community space which uses yoga to help your body regain strength and tone in a gentle and nourishing way. Children aged up to 4 years are welcome and will be included in the practices.

KIDS YOGA: 4PM - 5PM

Kids Yoga (ages 5-13 years) is fun, exploratory and interactive. Providing stimulation and development of their well being, physical strength, relaxation and learning strategies.

TEENS YOGA: 5:15PM - 6:15PM

Teenagers yoga (ages 13-18 years) is evolutionary. Both challenging and relaxing to create balance and development of self and capabilities of mind and body. Also great for improving mental clarity and concentration levels.

$135 Early Bird (register before Sept 29th), $150 Full Price.
Broadmeadows Leisure Centre - 41-85 Tandurrum Way, Broadmeadows

More info: caitlin@summerhealingyoga.com.au or 0439 347 731
FREE EVENT

Universal Children's Day

Join us for a family day of festivities.

Drumming • Multicultural Crafts • Storytelling • Games

Vintage Fire Truck • Dancing • Lunch

Broadmeadows Aquatic & Leisure Centre
41-85 Tanderrum Way, Broadmeadows 3047

Walk or Ride - limited public parking

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EARLY YEARS

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Best Start

Brotherhood
of St Laurence

Community
Hubs

Dianella Health