

Valley View

Hello everyone I hope you are all well and enjoying the intermittent sunny days.

As stated in an earlier newsletter 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 you through the newsletter and on our web page.

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

The child safe standards apply to school staff (including volunteers and contractors), visitors and students' family members.

Keeping children safe is everyone's responsibility. Different people at our school have different roles and responsibilities for ensuring children's safety

Things you need to know about: what 'zero tolerance' means to us, what roles and responsibilities adults have for child safety, our new procedures to respond to and report

complaints of any form of child abuse.

We want to ensure you know how we are keeping your children safe at school, and how we'd like you to support us (for families).

Staff members (including volunteers) will receive training and support to understand and carry out their responsibilities under the standards.

Unsupervised contractors will be asked about their child safety arrangements as a condition of working with us if they work with children enrolled in the school (or children can reasonably be expected to be present while they are at the school).

Other people using our school facilities will be asked about their child safety arrangements as a condition of using our facilities if they involve children enrolled at the school (or children can reasonably be expected to be present while their staff or other adults are at the school).

A new Code of Conduct for staff and volunteers around Child Safety has been ratified by School Council and will be published and uploaded on the school website.

I wish you all a great weekend and look forward to seeing you on Monday.

Carmela

LN1 News!

Lights, camera, action!

This week the students have begun practising their reading fluency by engaging in reader's theatre. When reading through their script they need to make sure they stop at all punctuation and use a loud expressive voice when reading. After students have practised their play they get to perform in front of an audience using costumes and props.



The two performances we had last week were 'The Giant's Stew' and 'The Marvellous Treasure'.

The LN1 students have also been busy in the garden this week. They had the important job of thinking of names for our B.V.P.S chickens. Below are some of the names we came up with:

Vanessa, Bee, Sparkler, Angels, A.J, Twinkle toes, Ester, Steph, Olivia, Cupcake, Ruby, Pinkie, Chickalotta, Peri-Peri and Elizabeth.

Chevelle and her partner were involved in a garden investigation where they were challenged to find different insects and bugs hiding in the plants. They were able to spot a tiny worm using their magnifying glass. In order to make sure the worm remained safe they put some wet dirt in the container before collecting it.



Did you know that there are many different types of zucchini? The students of LN1 know this because they had the chance to plant three different types white, green and yellow. We can't wait until they grow and we have a chance to cook with them in our Valley kitchen.



A reminder that Grade 2 sleepover will be occurring next Thursday the 28th of October at 6pm. We can't wait to see you all there.

Jamielee, Wendy, Cyndi and Rob

Learning Neighbourhood Two

This week's LN2 newsletter is a feature piece for Cultivating Communities. In particular, we are sharing some of the awesome things that are happening in the Kitchen with Miss Pinder. The Valley Kitchen comes alive every Friday and plays host to some very special guests from our BVPS community to enjoy a fabulous meal prepared by the team. There is so much learning happening in this space.

Here is just a sneak peak:





LN3 - A Week In Review

Week 3 has finished, which means there is only **four** more weeks to camp! Students that are attending camp will receive a booklet next week to help them get ready for the experience, there is an important clothing list to help families prepare and get organised. If anyone has any questions or queries please see one of the LN3 teachers. Grade 6 graduation preparations are underway. The students have started practicing their big dance piece and preparations have begun for their speeches, videos and ceremony.

Mathematics

In Maths this week, students are continuing to build their understanding of 'Fractions'. It has been fantastic to see the students growth and understanding in this area build so quickly. What was once hesitation has turned into motivation to learn more! It has been fantastic to see students take the initiative to learn more by completing 'Study ladder' activities. Congratulations to Thivya this week, who has completed 17 activities in her own time, let's see who wins next week!

Reading

In reading this week, students have continued to learn about 'Text Structures' and why they are important. Students have not only been identifying headings, subheadings, photos, maps, graphs and captions, but articulating on how they are used, but why the author

decides to add them into their writing. Students will be using their new found understanding into their next writing topic, Speech Writing.

Writing

In Writing this week, students have been *editing and revising* their narratives. Students have been working with their peers as they identify areas that need to be changed or improved. Some students have identified spelling and punctuation, while others have re written paragraphs, setting and character descriptions with the purpose of entertaining their audience. Students have really enjoyed this process and are really proud of what they have produced. Ask your child about their revising and editing checklist! As previously mentioned, Students will begin a speech writing unit which will help prepare Grade 6 students with their graduation speeches and Grade 5 students with their Young Leader speeches for next year.

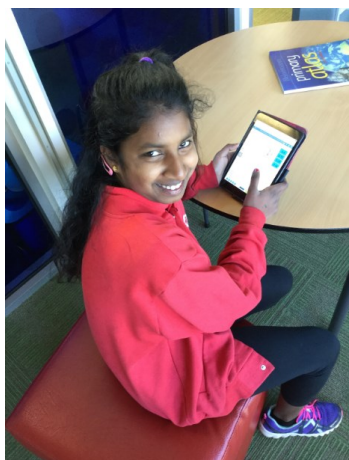


Photo: Thivya completing another task successfully on Study ladder.

Well that is the latest from LN3. Have a great weekend!
LN3

PS – Whoever annotates this week's LN3 Review the best, wins a prize!

Term 4

IMPORTANT DATES

**26th Oct:
Whole School Photo**

**27th Oct:
Grade 2 Sleepover**

**14th-18th Nov
LN3 Camp Coonawarra**

**14th-17th Nov
21th-24th Nov
Swimming Program
LN1 & LN2**

**Every Friday
Conversational English
Classes**

Fridays 9.15 - 11.15am in
"The Hub" (LN1)
FREE!
Child minding available

"Fitness for All" program
11.45am. Please meet at the office.
Register your interest at Valley Cafe
or the office.

Birthdays

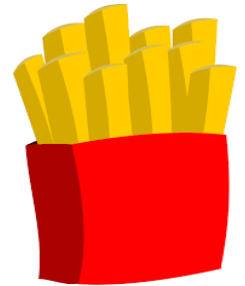
**Ayesha A
Abby W
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Notice Board



Food Fundraiser! **Special Lunch Order Friday** **28th October**



What: The Young Leaders are hosting a fundraiser to raise money

Why: To help a family at our school affected by a devastating house fire

When: Friday 28th of October

How: Pre Order so you don't miss out! Bring back your order form and money by Wednesday 26th October.

Parent Ambassador

Our Parent Ambassador group were invited to present at the annual Parent's Victoria Conference in the city last week. Anna, Tina, Deeba and Chrissie spoke to teachers, parents and academics about our BVPS Parent Ambassador program, the events that they run at our school and the importance of family engagement in learning. If you would like to learn more about Parent Ambassadors please contact Nicole Blyth 9309 4066.

***Join Anna and Chrissie for
Pasifika Playgroup***

Tuesday 9am – 11am

*For parents and children up
to 5 years*

Meet at the Valley Café