Hello BVPS community,

At BVPS we recognise that parents have the first and most significant influence on a child’s learning. At primary school, your continued involvement in your child’s education is important so they can achieve the best possible learning results. It is well known that children with interested and involved parents do better at school.

While you may be involved in your child’s learning at home, you can also contribute at BVPS by joining the Parent Ambassadors, nominating for the school council in March next year or helping with less formal school activities such as a classroom helper.

The upcoming Broadmeadows Valley Festival on Thursday 8th of December is another example where you can make an indirect contribution to your child’s learning. If you are concerned about how your child is fitting in socially and how secure and content they feel at school, or about their academic progress and how it compares to other students of the same age, make a time to meet the Learning Neighbourhood Leader, as they will be in the best position to help.

Families are the first and most enduring influence on a child’s development and play an important role in a child’s learning. Developing strong skills in reading, writing and maths is critical to ensure your child’s success in early learning and beyond. You can make a difference by supporting what your child learns at school and helping them to learn at home.

Reading is an important way to make the link from spoken words to written words. Reading to your child is a valuable thing to do. If you are interested in increasing your involvement at BVPS, please see Lindy in the office or our fabulous Learning Neighbourhood leaders.

Here are some tips:

1. Encourage your child to select the books, magazines, catalogues, multimedia stories or DVDs.

2. Discuss the pictures in a book and encourage your child to talk to develop imagination, ideas and vocabulary by naming things in the pictures.

3. Share wordless picture books to develop imagination, ideas and vocabulary by naming things in the pictures.

4. Re-read your child’s favourite books and stories.

5. Look for rhyme, rhythm or repetition in books.

6. Support your child to make their own books with pictures and then ‘read’ the story to you.

It’s never too late to get involved or to try something different!!

Have a great weekend.

Regards

Carmela
Matilda has been the focus in LN1 over the last few weeks. Our grade prep and one students have had the opportunity to develop their leadership skills by participating in prep transition. They have the very important job of making the new preps feel comfortable in the learning space, supporting/guiding them with their learning and modelling good learning behaviours. Having our students involved in this program allows them to practice and show all of the schools learning values.

The swimming program has begun and students are very excited. They started off by meeting their swim teacher and forming their swimming group. Over the course of the eight sessions students will learn about water safety, entering the water safely and different swimming techniques. A reminder that the swimming program will continue next week up until Thursday.

Until next week,
Jamilee, Wendy, Cyndi and Rob
We have also been busy in the kitchen cooking up some yummy treats for yourselves and our families. Last week we made Spanakopita using silverbeet from our school garden. Patrick is the king of folding the Spanakopita using the very delicate filo pastry, everyone agreed his triangles looked the best!

Learning Neighbourhood Two

LN3 News

While the campers have been busy at Coonawarra the students at school have been busy learning and having fun.

Literacy has involved reading and answering many different questions about a variety of text types including reports, narratives and recounts. Students have applied their literal and inferential knowledge to answer the questions. During writing students have been focusing on punctuation to improve the quality of their work.

Maths has focused on revising the very important key computation skills of addition, subtraction, division and multiplication. Students have had fun challenging themselves to remember the tricks and tips for fast computation.

Students worked collaboratively during enrichment making a video about visual awareness. Their goal was to trick their peers with something happening in their video, for example, someone running through the background when you are focused on what is happening in front of you. Students planned, took turns and assigned roles so that each member of the team had great input into the video.

We have had a quiet week and miss our campers!

Learning Neighbourhood Three

Term 4

IMPORTANT DATES

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.

FOR OUR VALLEY FAMILY CELEBRATION

Birthdays
Rawan C
Sidra A
Codey K
Dora F
PJ A
T'ziah M
Thursday December 8th
3:30pm – 6:00pm
GOLD COIN DONATION
UNIFORM FREE DAY
Student performances starting at 3:30pm!

Sausage sizzle, Paella (Spanish rice), Churros - $2
Ice Cream Truck - $3

Face Painting, Photo Booth & Animal Farm!

Hamper Raffle – tickets available for $1 each from the school office.

BYO chairs, rug, and picnic blankets