

Valley View

A warm welcome back to all of our wonderful students and families, for term 2 at BVPS.

Term 1 went so quickly but there seemed to be a lot happening in each of our 9 weeks. This term has 11 weeks and the calendar is filling quickly with exciting events and programs. Part of the attraction to teaching and education is the diversity and complexity of the roles we have to fulfill. Working at BVPS is never dull, in fact it is often exciting because we are a great school that is always innovating and wanting to improve and there's always something happening that promotes and encourages learning for all.

I hope that all our families had a relaxing break and enjoyed the time together. Our hard-working and dedicated staff have planned and prepared for another great term.

At the end of last term, the new School Council members attended their first meeting as representatives of the BVPS com-

munity. I would like to thank the following new parent members for volunteering their time to committing to School Council responsibilities: Karen McGregor and Tina Brennan. We welcome Ray Drew back as the School Council President and thank him sincerely for all the time and effort that he regularly offers our school. Luke Cripps is a new staff representative and joins the team with Wendy Cecchini and Nathan Gage. To the ongoing parent representative, Jess, Debra, Deeba, Christine and Almina, we thank you too for your dedication in supporting our school to be the best it can be. Jenny Petrone will continue to do an exemplary job as the Executive Office of the School Council and also welcome Andrew Hume as a Community member who represents Gowrie Broadmeadows Valley Early Learning Centre will join us for the first time.

I look forward to working with you all throughout 2016.

I often wonder if the newsletter

is read. Are you reading this at the moment?

The weekly newsletter is one way that we communicate what is happening at the school and promote upcoming events to you. We encourage our students to read the newsletter with their parents and talk about the latest news.

What do you think about our newsletter? Do you have an opinion?

Please come and see me if you have any suggestions you'd like to share.

Have a great weekend and see you all next week.

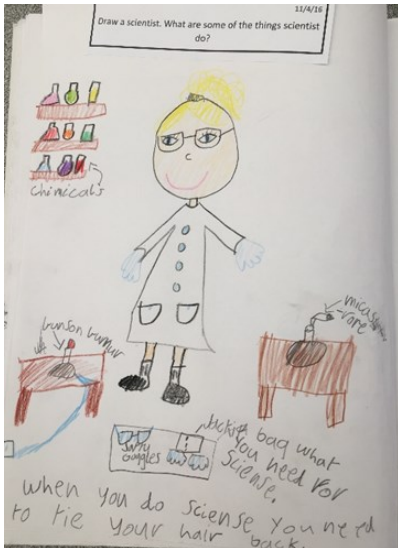
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Carmela



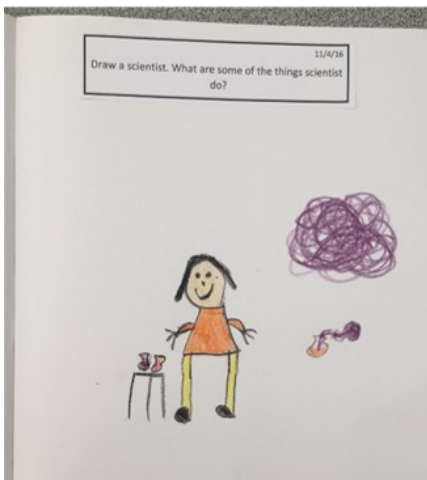
LN1

It has been a great start back to term all students have settled in well and are eager to continue their learning.

This term in enrichment LN1 will be learning about 'Science as a human endeavour'. The key inquiry question will be 'How do people use science in their daily lives?' Students will be involved in exploring different concepts of science through experiments and inquiry projects. We began the topic with the students drawing their idea of a scientist and some of the things scientists do.



Demah- "Scientist wear lab coats and do experiments. When you do science you need to tie your hair back."



Nafesa- "Scientists make explosions."



Sidra- "Scientists can be boys and girls and they use chemicals."

On Tuesday we are having a celebration of learning to share our learning from term one. Students are very excited to watch the Learning Values videos that they created, with all of you.

We would love to see lots of parents, carers and families in the neighbourhood at 3pm on Tuesday, April 19th.

We look forward to seeing you then!

Amy, Wendy, Cyndi, Jamielee & Rob.

LN2

Learning Neighbourhood Two has had a terrific start to the term! Students have shown they are well rested and ready for learning. It is fantastic to see all of the students in LN2 wearing their full school

uniform with pride and making that extra effort to arrive at school a little bit earlier to participate in iFit.

It has also been wonderful chatting with families and carers at the Valley Café before school, we love having our parents involved in learning and have many fun ways you can do this.

If you would like to join the students in LN2 for a cooking or gardening session on any Friday please let one of the LN2 teachers know, we would love to have you!

In other news, we are proud to announce an exciting partnership Girl Guides Australia. Every week a lucky group of students will be participating in this engaging and life changing program aimed to build confidence and community awareness in exceptional young women.

There will be many more opportunities for the students of LN2 to participate extra-curricular activities to enhance individual wellbeing and make positive contributions to our school community throughout the term.

LN3

It was like there wasn't even a break. The machine that is LN3 has just kept going and we have no doubts it won't stop.

The thing on everyone's mind in LN3 is the Camp Information night which is next Thursday night. The information night starts at 3:50.

10 lucky students from LN3 have the opportunity to work with Girl Guides Victoria. The responses from all the girls was very positive and they look forward to doing it again next week.

An Oral Language program; a Maths program with Year 7 Hume Central students and an ICT/Enrichment program with Year 9 students from Hume Central also begin this week.

Finally, our first Winter Interschool Sports games started this week. BVPS has a team in Netball, Rugby, Handball and Soccer.

In reading this week we have been learning about the Question Answer Relationship (QAR) strategy. We have been practicing asking "In the book" and "In my head" questions, learning about the difference between the two. Students have been using this skill with fiction and non-fiction texts and applying them to their iRead books.

Students have come back, ready to write up a storm! Students have made a great start to their persuasive texts, writing their introduction and detailed reasons. They are trying to be as convincing as a great politician. Students will be working on finalising, editing and publishing their persuasive texts for the start of the term. They will then be moving onto narrative writing.

This week we are learning to read and record large numbers using our knowledge of place value. Students are really enjoying the challenging games of "Find My Number" and are using "Sumdog" on their iPads to improve their number fluency skills. The language of measurement is being used so that accurate measurements can be made. Many

unique paper planes were made and students learned how to find the average of their flight measurements.

This term, we are learning about "Science". This week students have shared their understanding of science and have been exposed to the different sciences through experiments. Students watched the movie "Young Einstein" to build their knowledge and understanding of the "Science Inquiry Skills"

That is the latest news in LN3, Have a great week!

Attention Families Have you filled in your CSEF form for 2016

Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for **CSEF**. A special consideration category also exists for asylum seeker and refugee families. The allowance is paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

The annual CSEF amount per student is:

\$125 for primary school students

\$225 for secondary school students

How to Apply

Contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form or contact the schools general office on **9309 4066** for more information

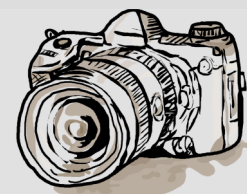
Calendar Term 2

Parents and Families SAVE THE DATE

LN1 Celebration of Learning 3pm on Tuesday April 19th



**2016 Photo Day
WEDNESDAY
4th MAY 2016**



Birthdays

In the holidays

Manisha R
CJ A
Mataious S
Younes Y
Rozalinda H
Rukaya A
Noor F

This week

Kyeral N
Omer G
Jay M



Notice Board

Instrumental Lessons Term 2

BVPS will continue to offer subsidised instrumental lessons in Term 2. Matthew Erickson, a trained music teacher will be teaching Guitar, Keyboards and Ukulele. Lessons are \$10 each and are held each week for 30 minutes.



In addition to this, Jam Hot Music is offering an Electronic Drum Kit program. Drum lessons are taught by an experienced drum teacher and will be held weekly, during school time. The cost is \$13.50 for 15 minutes or \$22.00 for 30 minutes. Please see Mr Tovey for enrolment forms and further information.



Our Valley Café is open Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 8.00-10.00am. Come and meet Skye, our barista Skye can teach you how to make coffee too!



Reminder to all Families

School Levy is being taken at the office and must be paid in full. This was due on the 27th of February. Financial assistance may be available to parents if they meet the criteria. Contact the office for more information. 9309 4066

2016 Photo Day

IMPORTANT DATES

Your School Photo Day is on: WEDNESDAY 4TH MAY 2016

