

Valley View

Hello BVPS!

I would like to begin by thanking everyone involved in this week's parent/teacher interviews. By all accounts they were tremendously successful. This year we had the highest rate of attendance in our history, which indicates to us that BVPS families place enormous value on the opportunity to discuss the learning of their children with our helpful and knowledgeable staff.

Although the mid-year interviews are over, there is still work to do. Here are some suggestions as to how you can support your child's schooling heading into semester 2.

- keep in regular contact with the teachers to follow up on any decisions you made with them
- continue to talk with your child about what you have discussed and how you can work together to improve their learning

at other times. If you are concerned about your child's progress, discuss these concerns with their home group teacher or Learning Neighbourhood Leader (LNL). You can contact the school for an appointment and schedule a mutually convenient time to meet with teaching team.

The more you know about your child's school, the more you will be able to support your child's learning. Other communication channels are also available so you can be kept informed of your child's experience at school such as

- The Valley View – Weekly newsletter
- Learning Neighbourhood Newsletters – Termly laminated newsletter that goes on the fridge
- Annual Report to the school community – Published once a year
- School Website – Regularly updated with policies, forms and information on upcoming school events

Don't forget that next week is a 3 day week. It is also the last week of a very successful term. Families and parents are reminded that Thursday and Friday are also student free days. Students will be dismissed at 2:30pm on Wednesday June 25. There will not be a whole school assembly or edition of the Valley View next week.

**Best regards,
Andrew Jones**

You can also request interviews

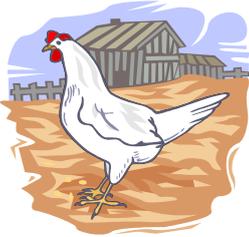


LN1 News

Thank you to the many parents that came out in the cold to meet with their child and their home group teacher on Wednesday to celebrate the learning journey of Semester 1. Parent teacher conferences are a critical part of your child's schooling because it shows you place a high value on their education. At BVPS we always welcome our parent community and know that your child's education is a partnership between home and school. To follow on with this theme, on Monday we have our Term 2 'Celebration of Learning'. In LN1 our students will be sharing their books and the writing they have done about chickens during the literacy session. The students have worked so hard to create an information text and it is really important that they have the opportunity to share this. Parents are welcome for the day, for half the day or even an hour, we look forward to seeing you again!

A number of parents have spoken to teachers about helping out with the learning in LN1 and we would love to see more volunteers. We have a range of ways you can help, including reading with students, making learning resources, working with groups in our play based room. If you are interested in helping out in this way please see Jodie, the neighbourhood leader.

Even though we only have three days of school left, we have a lot of work to finish in LN1 and some celebrating to do. On Tuesday we will be having our iFit reward for our grade 1/2 students who have attended more than 20 sessions this term. We will also be concluding our inquiry into whether 'BVPS can have chickens', with students finalising their ideas and thinking about the 'where to



next'. The preps will be working to finish their chicken shelter models. Consequently, next week is as important week of learning as any other week at BVPS and we look forward to a positive end to the term.

We would also like to say a big THANKYOU and farewell to Sarah who has been taking Wendy's classes over the past four weeks. Sarah has made a wonderful contribution to the learning during this time and we wish her the very best as she returns home to England. For the first two weeks of Term 2 Marija will be away travelling so we will have Sharon returning to the prep room to work with Daniel.

We wish all our students a wonderful 2 weeks holiday, keep safe and remember one great way to enjoy your holidays is to read some books!

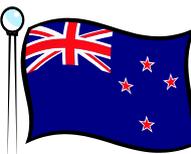
Jodie, Daniel, Marija, Amy, Paula, Jamielee, Sarah and Laura

Learning Neighbourhood 2

We cannot wait for our parents to join us on Monday for our Open Day of Learning. There is going to be so much happening for you to see and join in with. This is a great opportunity to ask some great questions to really challenge and be amazed by our students.

We will be getting to see the responses to the students inquiry projects and there will be plenty of writing on show. So come on down and say hello. THIS MONDAY!!!

In other news this week... Our Tangata Pasifika students did an excellent job performing for the New Zealand Principals and the whole school this



week. Everyone has pulled together with great strength. We send our best wishes to our dear friend Skivvi who is not well at the moment, hoping he can get well soon.

We had an excellent turn out for our parent teacher interviews this week, if there happened to be any questions that were not answered. Do not forget, our neighbourhood is always welcome for you come in and have a chat.

Well done to everyone who dressed up this week for our character day. We raised some much needed funds for our school. Photos to come next week!!!

Nathan Gage, Nicole Cromie, Krystina Simpson, Rob Pain, Nicole O'Meara, Karen Larkin.

Learning Neighbourhood 3

Only one week to go! We just want to say a massive thank you to all the parents for coming in to LN3 for Parent teacher interviews. It was great to be able to share your child's success and more importantly make goals together on where to go next! This week, LN3 students dressed up as their favourite book character to raise money for States School Relief Fund. LN3 would like to say a big thank you for your support this term and wish you a safe and happy holiday! See you in Term 3! Remember the school week finishes on Wednesday at 2:30pm

In reading, this week we have looked at the second stepping-stone of reading fluency. We have looked at the importance of pausing, which helps us gain a stronger understanding of in what we are reading. 'Fluency: The Final Frontier' is our new progress chart and is currently displayed in the neigh-

bourhood. Over the holidays, we are asking parents to take an interest in their child's reading by listening to them read and asking questions about the book. Ask your child what fluency is and if they are doing it correctly.

In writing, students have been finding and reworking their favourite pieces for the term. The teachers have been running explicit workshops in writing to help individual students gain a stronger understanding in areas of need such as – pro nouns, homophones and using different types of punctuation accurately. Students have been following a process of revising, editing and publishing new pieces of work to present at the Open Day of Learning. We are asking students to keep a journal over the holidays. We hope that this will inspire students to have some potential seeds for their Writer's Notebook in Term 3.

In Enrichment, Students have chosen to follow an inquiry question in either plants, animals or micro-organisms. Within their group they have found ways to help improve or educate the people of BVPS on our new findings. The animal group, will be creating a Time Capsule and putting it into the BVPS ground to remind us of all the animals that we have lost due to extinction. The plant group, will be adding new plants to the school environment, while the micro-organism group will be showing parents how different organisms are used in food. Have a great holiday! We will see you again in Term 3!

Learning Neighbourhood 3

Luke Cripps, Jan Vella, Rosie Stra-teas, Marty Claybourne and Clinton Youlden

Breakfast Club Term 3

There will be **no Breakfast Club** next week.

Term 3 Breakfast Club will begin on Monday 14th July in the kitchen facilities in the Art Studio.



Healthcare Card Eligibility Date: 28th Jan 2014

EMA Period 2

Eligibility date: 14th Jul 2014

Closing date for parents to lodge EMA application forms: 1st Aug 2014

Only applicable to families who have not lodged an EMA form at the beginning of the year.



Calendar Term 2 Monday 23



THIS MONDAY!!!

is our **CELEBRATION OF LEARNING DAY**. This will be an Open Day of Learning for all of our community, parents, grandparents to join us and visit with the learning neighbourhoods and their teams .

Active After School Program
Rugby
3.30pm—4.30pm

Wednesday 25
Term 2 the school week finishes on Wednesday at **2:30pm**

First day of Term 3
14TH JULY
8.50 am ifit

Breakfast Club
Breakfast Club will resume in Term3.

Birthdays

Taylah H
RJ A
Mustang R
Ayla A
Brysyn M
Luke P
Layth A
Elaine M



Notice Board

Centrelink Information Session

Do you have questions about Centrelink entitlements & payments but don't have time to visit the office or wait in a queue? Centrelink staff are visiting the school to provide a friendly session to answer any questions you might have.

THURSDAY 19th JUNE

2.30pm-3.30pm

Music Lab

Meet at reception



centrelink

BVPS CAR PARK

We would like to remind parents not to park in the **BVPS CAR PARK** to drop off or pick up their children from school. This car park is for the staff of BVPS , HCSC and the SDS. It has very limited parking for the three schools.



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Rosalin H
Joel W
Cohen T
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