

# Valley View

## Hello everyone,

The beginning of a new school year brings with it great excitement and anticipation. What a fantastic sight to see this morning our learning community out in full force sipping on coffees and catching up with each other. We thank you all for your gold coin donations; this will enable us to purchase some more of the beautiful coffee. The café is a space in our school that promotes conversation and connections. We invite you all to come and sit for a while or a little time, talk to someone you may not know, or meet someone you do. As of next Monday the cost of a coffee will be \$2! How fabulous is that??

A warm welcome is extended to all our children and families and those who are joining our learning community for the first time this year. The teachers of Broadmeadows Valley Primary school have prepared and planned the learning together and have some wonderful opportunities organised for your children. We can guarantee that your child's learning needs will be catered for throughout the year. They will be challenged and supported to achieve optimum results.

There will be many occasions throughout the year when you will be invited to participate in activities with the children and the teachers look forward to your involvement.

Communication is very important between home and school. We encourage parents to contact teachers, leadership staff or the front office

with any enquiries, concerns or information. We are all keen to support you and be available to discuss the learning of your children.

Together we can make a positive difference.

Have a great weekend!

Regards Carmela

## LN1 News

We have had a fantastic start to 2016, with our preps joining our grade ones and twos in Learning Neighbourhood 1. Everyone has settled in well and is excited for learning.



This year we have four home groups made up of a mix of preps, grade ones and grade twos. Last year we really saw the positive impact of multi-age groups in LN1 across all areas and are continuing with this model in 2016.

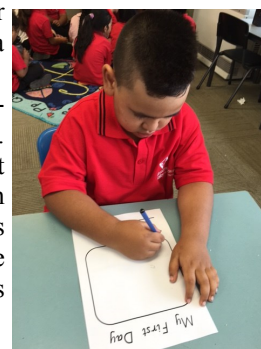
This term we are looking at 'how we learn best' and will think about our learning in the context of the BVPS values of collaboration, creativity,

individuality, community, achievement and leadership.

We'd like to welcome Rob Pain back to LN1 after a few years in LN2. Rob is looking forward to working with the LN1 students this year. We also have a new Neighbourhood Leader this year, Amy Prisco.



There will be **no school on Wednesdays for prep students in February**, as prep testing will take place on these days. Parents of prep students should have received a letter in late 2015 with a date and time to bring their child in for one hour on a Wednesday morning during February. If you don't know when your time is please see your child's homegroup teacher.



Amy, Wendy, Cyndi, Jamielee & Rob.

## LN2 News

### Welcome back!

What an amazing start to, what is going to be, an absolutely stupendous 2016 in LN2! The learning spaces have undergone some changes over the break. This year we have branded our learning spaces within the neighbourhood, to align with our new Learning Values. As we progress through the year, everyone is going to have a strong sense of what those values mean. We are all going work to live by them each day, both at school and at home. The language we build is going to be one that we can all share and use to guide us along our journey of lifelong learning.

We are looking forward to working together to support the learning of each and every student in LN2!!

We are looking forward to chatting over coffee in the Valley Café, feel free to take the time to come and have a chat.

Nathan Gage                      R o s i e  
Strateas    Nicole    O'Meara  
Sarah Pinder



## LN3 News

We are two days in and the neighbourhood is calm, focused and ready to go. We have been developing and refining our neighbour-

hood's protocols and expectations, making sure everyone knows their role inside and outside of LN3.

The students have been involved in team building activities where students are developing strong working and social relationships with each other. We have also been exposed to the BVPS learning values to understand exactly what excellence looks like and the difference it makes to our learning and environment. We are all very excited for the year ahead and cannot stress enough how much we would love to see every family involved in the neighbourhood.

Have a fantastic weekend and we can't wait to see you in Week 2!

Learning Neighbourhood 3 – Luke Cripps, Jan Vella, Marija Avramoska and Janelle DePetro

### Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund

The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund help ensure that no student misses out on the opportunity to join their classmates for important, educational and fun activities. It is part of making Victoria the Education State and the Government's commitment to breaking the link between a student's background and their achievements.

CSEF will be provided to eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

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 fami-

lies. 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

### Reminder to all Families

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

### BREAKFAST CLUB

**The first day of Breakfast Club will be held on Wednesday 3rd February.**

### Term 1 Sun Smart

All students will need to **wear a hat** at all times while they are in the yard throughout **terms 1 and 4. Hats are available from the office. \$7.00**



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