

Valley View

Hello Broadmeadows Valley community, we hope this newsletter finds you all fit and healthy.

Here at school we are continuously promoting the health and wellbeing of our students and have programs in place that ensure the focus on these two elements are always at the forefront of what we do.

Looking after the body and the mind is a critical aspect of how we can ensure we learn effectively every day.

Students are engaged in learning about healthy eating and looking after their bodies and mind. Programs like iFIT encourage students to engage in physical activity that stimulates and activates the mind and body first thing in the morning. All of the programs we offer here at school are based on research findings indicating that they can make a difference to student learning achievement if students par-

ticipate fully. What level of exercise do you participate in? I invite you to come and walk, run or even jog the laps around our school. Students have shown an increased enthusiasm for this activity at the beginning of the day. We are aiming for 1000 laps, to make us the fittest school in the area.

Another program that promotes the health and wellbeing of our students is the Cultivating Community program in LN 2. Gardening is a great way for our students to learn new skills and engender a love of nature. Most students enjoy being outdoors and love digging in the soil, getting dirty, creating things and watching plants grow. Students are fully engaged in the learning that the gardening experience provides. Our students are keen to learn about the environment and get involved with 'hands on' learning about where food comes from, how to grow it and thoroughly enjoy the fun of

cooking and sharing a meal together.

The Rugby Gala Day is taking place today at Gladstone Park Oval where our students were involved in an interschool round robin rugby tournament. This activity exposes our students to a higher level of competition and allows them the opportunity to learn from students in other schools. I'd like to thank all of the parent volunteers who give up their time and energy to train and coach our students. Our teams left this morning riding on a wave of enthusiasm and excitement. We know they will do the Broadmeadows Valley Primary School community proud!!

Have a great weekend everyone, stay safe, healthy and happy.

LN1 News

Yabba, Yabba, Yabba! LN1 have been reading all of this year's nominated Picture Books in the Young Australians Best Book Awards so they can cast their vote for their favourite. The awards run until September but we have made this a focus as part of the Literacy and Numeracy Week celebrations. Students have laughed at the antics of 'The Dreadful Fluff', 'Noah Dreary' and 'The Big Brave Bear'. Picture books provide students with the opportunity to engage in reading for enjoyment, along with great models for writing ideas and as a tool to extend a whole host of other literacy understandings.

The visit to see the Hume Secondary performance of 'The Wizard of Oz' has continued as a springboard for the learning of writing in LN1 this week, with students engaged in writing a letter to the very talented cast members. The experience was so enjoyed by our students that they have talked about it continuously this week. It was wonderful to see some of our past BVPS students involved in the production, providing great modelling for our students.

We are finishing our enrichment topic 'Then and Now' this week, with students producing either a sequential timeline of events in their lives or a photo gallery of themselves at different ages. They will be sharing some of this learning with their parents and teachers during the Three Way Conferences on Wednesday 9th of September. We can't wait to have parents visit and celebrate the learning with their child.

Next week begins our new enrichment topic that is exploring all things 'Spanish'. This is an immersion topic where students will get to learn all about Spanish culture in a lead up to the beginning of the study of this language in 2015. A very exciting new direction for the learning at BVPS.

Jodie, Daniel, Marija, Amy, Jamielee, Paula, Wendy & Laura

Week 6 in Learning Neighbourhood 2

NO BREATHING! We have brought in a new rule into LN2, 'no breathing in class'. The rule was inspired by the emotive and animated poem, created and performed by Michael Rosen. Students have been practising their intonation by reading with expression. If you would like to see some entertaining examples of Michel Rosen reading his own poems with entertaining intonation, visit his website today and your child can learn to read like Matthew and Remi below! <http://www.michaelrosen.co.uk/>



Things are speeding up in maths. We are working at improving our place value knowledge. We have been putting houses into houses and reading large numbers. Below is Husain and Cheyanne who are showing off their place value odometers and they are ready to race off and start reading some massive numbers.



Below are students from Nicole C's applied maths group this week, they

are investigating shapes before designing and building their own mini stadiums.



Hola! Bienvenidos Española! For those of us not familiar with the native tongue of Spain, that means Hello, welcome Spanish. Spanish is kicking off next week and we are preparing for an amazing enquiry, so look out and ask lots of questions about the upcoming events.

LN3 Newsletter Segment



Tony and Miti – This week's newsletter writers!

We can't believe it is the end of Week 7. Yesterday, we wrapped up our friendship with Melbourne University for the year with our question and answer time. A massive thank you to the students and parents for asking great questions! We want all our students to strive for success and University is just one path that will provide these opportunities.

The week ended with a blast with BVPS competing at the Rugby Gala

Day, which was hosted at the Gladstone Park Reserve. The 8-12 teams battled it out, BVPS tried their best with much joy in the midst of the great oval presented. Though it was tough, we achieved our goal of being fair, supportive and never giving up.

In reading, we have finally moved on from reading fluency to text structures. We have been thoroughly dissecting text structures and their place in the everyday world of literature. From descriptive lists to cause and effects, there is one for every piece of writing! You can see the sequence of events under the reading tab of the LN3 website.

At last after weeks of hard mind bogging writing, the students are finally up to their final piece of the trio. During our mini-lessons this week, we have been improving our sentence quality through a various selection of tools. These include: adding conjunctions to create compound sentences and rearranging the clauses found in a sentence. Ultimately, our main goal this week was to create great sentence fluency throughout the whole text. Sustained writing also came out with a bang. Following a stimulus, students all across the neighbourhood set out to write a quality piece of text in a short period of time.

For Maths, students have been ameliorating their knowledge of place value as well as the four operations. Students are asked to keep using Sumdog and Studyladder to refine their maths skills.

Students have been transported through time as they look through the reigns of many prime ministers throughout the short history of the Commonwealth of Australia. Some were great while others were not, so come into LN3 to discover more about these remarkable men.

Tagata Pasefika is a program where Pacifica Islanders students join together to learn something new about the culture they originate from. They have lots of fun, learning how to sign our tradi-

tional Hawaiian songs and dances including the hula, hakas and much more.

The week finished with LN2 and LN3 working together for Literacy and Numeracy week. During literacy, LN2 and LN3 students worked together to create different types of poetry focusing on our fluency. We then had a ball in Maths, using one of the fun Maths300 games.

Make sure your camp deposit is paid by September the 8th. Time is running out! Have a great weekend from

Tony Lang and Miti Tufuga

B.V.P.S Vegetable Garden

What we do in the veggie garden is plant new vegetables to make yummy food in the B.V.P.S kitchen. We then



use the fresh vegetables to make delicious meals with Ms. Bianco. When



there is left over food we take the veggie and fruit scraps and put them into the compost bin. This helps to make our school sustainable.

By Hamza Mujezin (Environmental Leader)

Calendar Term 3

**BOOK FAIR
COMING SOON
LN 3 RESOURCE
ROOM
WEDNESDAY 27th
AUGUST
TO MONDAY 1ST
SEPTEMBER
OPEN DAILY
8.30AM. - 9.00AM.
3.30PM. -4.15PM.
Come along and purchase from a great range of books and knick knacks.**



Birthdays Annabella M



Notice Board



FATHER'S DAY STALL

To be held in the
Multi Purpose Hall
on
FRIDAY MORNING
September 5th 2014
Starting at 9.10 am



Gifts priced from
\$1.00 to \$5.50



**Broadmeadows Valley
Primary School**

Father's Day Breakfast

Dad's join us under the giant umbrella for some eggs and sausages so we can celebrate our wonderful BVPS dads.

Thursday 4th Sept

From 8.30 am – 10.00 Two of our Lucky Fathers will have the chance to win one of two Door Prize's which will be drawn on the morning of our breakfast.

**Clint Greagan
Author of Reservoir Dad
will be speaking about
being a dad.**

