Dear BVPS

Today I will keep my message unusually short.

I would like to thank all the adults in our amazing learning community for:

- Caring for all our children as if they were your own
- Recognising the talents and special abilities of our children and doing something about it
- Doing everything that you can to make sure the environment is safe and secure
- Contributing to an school that adults enjoy being part of
- Connecting to our community beyond the school gate
- Trusting and respecting the teachers, staff and school leaders
- Wanting more for your children
- Being the most important teacher in your child’s life
- Wanting to make a difference to the world in which your child lives;
- ...and being a learner yourself.

I look forward to continuing our strong and purposeful relationship in term 4. Have a relaxing and safe break.

Warm regards,

Andrew Jones
LN1 News!

What a term we have had in LN1 with so much amazing learning! As the Neighbourhood Leader I have taken absolute pleasure in watching the progress of our students and the tireless and incredible work the teachers have done to ensure that the learning tasks are rich and targeted to the needs of the students. The way our students have taken responsibility over their own learning has been a standout achievement this term and we are all very proud of them.

Yesterday the grade 2s from 1/2B & 1/2P walked to the Broadmeadows Shopping Centre to choose and buy new books for our classroom libraries. These students worked cooperatively in groups, weeks prior, to come up with an exhaustive list of the types of books they would like to see in LN1. What better way to purchase these books than have the students pick them themselves? Since this time, all they have wanted to do is read, read and read! If you get the chance over the holidays we know that your child would love a visit to the Hume Global Learning Centre Public Library to borrow more books. This is a wonderful way to watch your child continue to fall in love with reading and it’s free!

Have a safe and wonderful holiday!
Jodie Coughlan - LN1 Neighbourhood Leader

And the wonderful teachers; Paula, Wendy, Amy, Marija, Daniel and Jamielee

Learning Neighbourhood 2

Last week of school and we have not wasted a moment of it!!! Right to the end, that’s how we work in LN2.

Students from all across our neighbourhood spent time contributing to the Hume Cup and the fundraising efforts of BVPS by producing some delicious cupcakes and yummy cookies. The food was enjoyed by everybody from, not just BVPS but all of the students who participated in the Hume Cup.

We had an amazing Hume Cup on Thursday and it could not have run so smoothly without the hard work of a number of individuals. Thanks to Ricky Lee, who coordinated and organised all of the special lunches and Ms Bianco, who coordinated the students to create the sweets.

We have a few small changes as our term draws to an end. 3/4C and 3/4O will swap ends and some of our walls will become bare, so we can refresh our learning space with new paint and new learning displayed.
Take opportunities to do some learning together over the break; share a book, visit one of our wonderful Hume Libraries that is sure to have some fun free holiday activities or just go to the park and enjoy some of our beautiful spring weather.

We all hope that each and every one of you have safe and wonderful holiday, return to school in term 4 with super reenergised for the final term of learning for 2014.

Learning Neighbourhood 3

Welcome to the Week Ten Newsletter by James and Deniz

The week has been very exciting and everyone has had a great time. This week the Hume Cup finally arrived! The football and netball team played as hard as they could and represent the school the best they possibly could. It was a fantastic day, where we all got to eat sausages, cookies, muffins and drinks. It was one of the best days of the year. Today, we also got to go to the park for our last class privilege for the term. It was fun playing with balls and hanging out on the playground. Lastly, we got to watch the movie ‘The Witches’ which we have been reading throughout the term!

Next term, LN3 will be starting a program called “Earn to Learn”. This program is design to help students gain a better understanding of money through a variety of experiences. This week, students have been designing the money we will be using throughout Term 4. Students will be putting in an application for different jobs where they will receive a weekly pay cheque. Some of the jobs include Police Officers, who will give fines to students that are doing the wrong thing, a Banker which is in charge of the money storage and a Janitor. The students will set up a shop where we will get to spend of money.

In reading, we have be learning about text features and description in books. The students read books such as bats, elephants, fire fighters and energy. The reason we read those books was so we could get better understanding of text features at a text, paragraph and sentence level. We have been focusing on reviews and incorporating our enrichment topic Spain.

Our enrichment topic for the past two weeks has been Spain!!! There are four different groups in this topic. Food is one of the group, where they will make Spanish food and drinks, the arts group have been looking at artists such as Dali and Picasso and have been trying to recreate some of their most famous art and the culture group has been looking at bull fighting and the famous tomato throwing that happens annually. It has been really fun and it has been great working with the students and teachers of LN2.

Well it’s finally the end of term, but the LN3 teachers have set up some things to do for us over the holidays. We have been asked to continue to read our Raz Kids texts, work on Studyladder and Sumdog for our Maths and finally do an entry on our blog! Our website now has a forum and a chat set up so we can chat about all the things we have or will do over the holidays. The forum has questions set up asking us about our favourite characters from X Factor and Big Brother as well as talk about our newest creations in Minecraft!

It's been a fun term, but we can't wait for the holidays!!!!

From
James and Deniz

Calendar
Term 3
Monday 6.10.14
First day back for Term 4
CAMP
Coonawarra Camp deposit & payments are now being taken

Birthdays
Ali S
Joe S
Jason B
Angela B
Krystal C
Matthew J
Zahra A
Mohammed H
Haylee R
Jay H
Crystell C
Solomona T
Thomas w
Sefine T
Tyrell V
On Thursday 18th of September some of our grade 5/6 students participated in a netball and football round robin against 5 other schools. All money raised through our sausage sizzle will be going towards getting sport uniforms for the grade 5/6 Interschool Sports.

A wonderful thank you to everyone who attended our event. It was a great success.

A special thank you to our amazing Parent Ambassadors for organising the fundraising side of this great event. They have been incredibly dedicated and generous with their time and energy and we greatly appreciated the this.