Good afternoon BVPS

As we surge towards the end of the 2014 school year, I would like to once again thank the very important individuals and groups of people that have made such a positive impact on our students this year.

Our parents, Parent Ambassadors, cultural steering committee and School Councillors have continued to grow and support the development of the school. We simply wouldn’t be where we are today without them.

Our friends and partnership group such as Banksia Gardens Community Services and Bridgingworx have continued to help us along the way, providing access to resource support that spreads the positive impact of schooling beyond the school gate and into the local community in which our students live and thrive.

I would also like to acknowledge the tremendous work and support of the school administration and teacher support team. Jenny, Lindy, Indra, Sam, Jon, Leanne, David and Chris do an inordinate amount of work behind the scenes to ensure that the school runs smoothly. They create the conditions that allow the teachers and school leaders to be able to facilitate learning for children. How could we possibly forget the wonderful teachers that make Broadmeadows Valley Primary School such a vibrant, safe and stimulating learning environment for the students? Our school is here to serve the beautiful children and families of Broadmeadows and working together, we can continue to make the difference.

I’m sure, like me, everyone is very excited about tomorrow’s Dimboola Road Festival. A host of activities, menu items and events are scheduled to entertain children and parents alike. Come on down and share in the fun.

Students will be dismissed at the earlier time of 2:30pm, with student performances due to kick off at around 5:00pm. Make sure you stay around for the raffle and fireworks later in the evening.

Please note that the final day of classes for 2015 will be Friday December 19. Programming will begin at 8:30am on this day and students will be dismissed at 12:30pm. Please ensure that your child is collected then.

See you at the festival,

Andrew Jones

Program for Dimboola Road Festival

3pm - Tangata Pasifica

3.45 – BVPS Rock Band

4.15 – HCSC Performance

5.30pm – BVPS home group performances

7pm – Raffle Draw

8.45pm—Fire Works Display
LN1 News!

Our students are super excited for the Dimboola Road Festival this Friday. They have been practicing hard for their performances and can’t wait to get up on stage in front of friends, family and the wider school community. We hope you can all get down to the school oval to support them and make all their efforts well worthwhile! Our Tangata Pasifika students are doubly excited with two performances to show. The determination they have shown in preparing has been amazing and they should be really proud of the results of this come their turn to step up on Friday!

In other news, our formal Prep Transition program finished on a high last Friday with our new students and their parents coming along to LN1 to make healthy faced sandwiches and to discover how to best be ready for school next year. The students settled well into the session and were all great participants; clearly their kinders and parents have been preparing them for the next big step in their lives.

The rest of LN1 will be experiencing their own transition next Tuesday 9th December from 9:20am – 11:00am. Our mature and eager grade twos will be moving to LN2 for the morning to get a taste of the 2015 school year, whilst our current preps and grade ones will be stepping up as the new grade one and two cohort! Next year all of the LN1 home groups will be a mix of grades prep to ones, continuing on from the great success of this year’s mixed aged literacy groups. On Tuesday they will meet their home group teacher for 2015 and get a taste of the year ahead.

We are powering into the publishing phase of writing, representing our narratives in some creative ways. In reading, whilst revisiting the power strategies, we have a great understanding of the strategies to use when reading and understanding ‘just right’ books.

Despite the excitement of the fast approaching festival, there is still some serious learning happening.

Learning Neighbourhood 2

Week 9 in Learning Neighbourhood 2

The Dimboola Road Festival is approaching and it is hard to see beyond the fact that we are going to have an amazing time on Friday evening. There are so many things to look forward to including; the rides, food, fireworks and not to mention our performances. LN2’s performances are going to rock your socks off.

Don’t forget this coming Monday is our school excursion to Bounce and Niddrie Gymnastics. This excursion is fully paid for and we would love all of our LN1 students to participate in what will be a great end of year activity that focuses on movement. We will finish the excursion with a picnic at Boeing Reserve, Strathmore. All parents and caregivers are welcome to join us at the park from 1pm to 2:45pm. We hope to see you there!

Jodie, Daniel, Marija, Amy, Paula, Jamielee and Wendy
**Learning Neighbourhood 3**

Wow! What an amazing year it has been, we can't believe it's gone this quickly. The Dimboola road festival is near and everyone is pumped and excited for all the performances and rides. A quick reminder for the Grade Sixes to bring back their Graduation notes before the 12th of December. We have been practicing hard for our graduation dance. Dee has supported us and taught us all of our dancing skills.

We owe her a massive THANK YOU! On graduation night, we will also be presenting individual poems. They are all amazing and we can't wait to read them to everybody!

Learning this week has been awesome because of the new topic the teachers have introduced. As figurative language wraps up, we take a look at suspense language. Our iRead program has been astonishing, the reason for that is because students have been quiet and have concentrated. All the students are really excited to share what they have been reading about and love finding the WALT in their independent reading task.

Our main focus is description in writing. We are learning about all the different writing traits and how to make our writing even better. This week we have started four different writing pieces. It will be hard for us to choose which piece we would like to publish as they are all so great. SOLE (Self Orientated Learning) has also been a success in LN3. On Friday, students are given the opportunity to inquire into an area or subject that they are interested in. They read silently and present their new learning anyway they like. At the end of the session, we all share our new information and talk about what we would like to learn about next. It has been really fun to get this opportunity.

This week we have been learning on how to convert Fractions into Decimals and Percentages. The teachers gave us a Pre-Assessment to see what we know and what area of learning we need to achieve next. It has been great to see what we have learnt this year in Maths and what we will be learning next.

This week we have had trouble deciding whether Mr Cripps or Mr Claybourne will be awarded teacher of the week... SO IT'S... both of them! They get this award for their amazing help, their excitement to teach all of us and how fun they are!

Until next time from Taylah and Yasmin

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**Calendar Term 4**

**DIMBOOLA ROAD FESTIVAL**

**5TH DECEMBER 2014**

2.30—9.00PM

**Open Day of Learning at BVPS Whole School**

**Birthdays**

Jeremy J
Lachie T

**BREAKFAST CLUB**

The last day of Breakfast Club will be held on Friday 12 December. There will be no breakfast club on the last week of term 4.

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5TH DECEMBER 2014
2.30—9.00PM

COME AND SEE THE STUDENTS PERFORM

FOOD & DRINKS

ANIMALS UP CLOSE AND PERSONAL!!

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