Hello and welcome to the end of term 1, 2013.

As a group of professional educators, the teaching team at BVPS are as committed as we have ever been in ensuring that the needs of each and every learner is met through a rigorous and thoroughly comprehensive program. I would personally like to thank our families for their wonderful contribution to this partnership and I hope to see this grow and prosper. Thank you.

Please note that due to the Good Friday public holiday, students will be dismissed for the term at 2:00pm this Thursday. Parents are reminded to make the necessary arrangements for their collection. There will not be an assembly this week. However we will be drawing the tickets for the winners of the 2013 BVPS Easter raffle at 1:50pm tomorrow. Tickets are still available and can be purchased at the administration office until recess tomorrow. Good luck to all those involved.

Adult learning classes will continue into term 2. We have now confirmed childcare placements for all participants that might require child minding in the instruction sessions. Any enquiries for the English Language and Computer training classes can be made at the school office.

I would like to thank those community members that have been involved in the 2013/2014 school council election process. I can now confirm that the new parent members of the council include, Jacqueline Kenworthy, Karen Bologna, Mohammed Jama Hashi and Karen O'Neil. They join existing members Jackie Simeone, Helena Marciniak and Merrillyn Dangerfield. I look forward to working with the new group as we strive to create even further opportunities for the students and their families at BVPS over the course of the next 12 months. Jodie Coughlan (Learning Neighbourhood 1 Leader) becomes the only new staff member to the council. Thank you all once again.

Parents and families may have noticed a new batch of trainee teachers known as PST's or Pre-Service Teachers, in the Neighbourhoods working with students on Tuesday's and Wednesday's. These second year Bachelor of Education students from Victoria University are building their skills and knowledge in regards to the teaching profession.

They work with students and teachers and we see their involvement in our school as being an excellent opportunity to have more quality adults working with our students. Please make them feel very welcome.

School will resume for the beginning of term 2 on Monday April 15.

I would like to wish everyone involved within the Broadmeadows Valley Primary School Community a very safe and relaxing term 1 break. The roads can be very dangerous at this time of year as everyone scrambles to get away for this brief early year Easter holiday. Please take extra care on the roads, bike paths and skate parks this holiday break and I look forward to seeing everyone return safe and well in term 2.

The kindest of well wishes,
Andrew Jones

LAST DAY OF SCHOOL
Next Week
THURSDAY March 28 @ 2:00pm
**LNI News!**

Happy heroes hugged humongous hippo! Hooray! Hooray! Letter 'y' was the focus in prep this week. They wore party hats and created houses out of the letter 'h'. They read the book 'Hattie and the Fox'. You can continue the learning by practicing the letter 'h' with your child at home over the holidays!

The grade 1/2s designed a helmet for keeping their brains safe when riding a bike, skateboards or scooters this week. They have looked at why it is important to look after and care for their brains this term, including eating healthy foods, playing safely and having a good night's sleep. Let's hope they continue the learning during the holidays by keeping themselves completely happy and safe!

In maths gr 1/2 have been learning about our metric system and this week explored objects in the neighbourhood that were longer or shorter than one metre. They have also continued to work on their place value knowledge. The preps have made number fans for the numbers 0-9 and many more of them are beginning to recognise numbers to 10. If you get the chance, do lots of counting over the holidays with your child to reinforce their learning from term 1.

All of the teachers in LNI wish your families a very safe and happy holiday and look forward to another great term of learning with your child in two weeks' time. Our enriching topic next term is 'the environment', so please take the opportunity to encourage your child to think about what this means and what they would like to learn more about next term.

Happy holidays!

Jodie, Rosie, Karen, Rob, Marija, Beth and Laura

**LNI Teachers**

**Learning Neighbourhood 2**

Term 1 of 2013 has been an extremely positive and productive term in Learning Neighbourhood 2. Our students have all put in a hard working approach to their learning and it's definitely time for a well earned break for all.

While our students have made a start on learning about the structure and main parts of the brain, students have also looked at brain-related learning such as what it means to be ready for learning each day, ways in which they can take care of their brain and looking at ways in which they can manage negative emotions such as anger. Our students' learning of the brain will continue throughout the whole year so this is by no means the end of our brain unit.

Next term our students will also be studying the environmental sustainability topic, 'Taking Care of the Earth Together'. Our students will build an understanding of sustainability and have opportunities to work together as a team to sustain the Earth's resources. Early in the study of sustainability, students will look at the areas of waste, water, land and energy before identifying a particular area of study and participating in an action-based project which will run through the second half of Term 2 and possibly in to Term 3. This will also create opportunities for our students in Learning Neighbourhood 2 to work with students from other neighbourhoods.

Learning Neighbourhood 2 Team

**LEARNING NEIGHBOURHOOD 3**

We made it to the end of an amazing Term 1 with ipads in our hot little hands! Yippee! Final payments for the ipads need to be made in cash through your child's home group ASAP.

Summer sport season is now on pause till Term 4 for the Winter sports season to take place with Netball, Soccer, Bat Tennis and European Handball. In the first few weeks term 2 the students will be selecting their team and students will be brought home the consent form. PLEASE NOTE THAT UNLESS YOUR CHILD PAYS THEY WILL NOT BE ABLE TO ATTEND.

Term 2 will herald the beginning of the MPower and Rock and Water Programs. These programs are designed to develop students' social competencies, self-awareness and self-control. BVPS has had great success over the last 3 years implementing these programs and they are always considered highlights of the school curriculum.

GRADE 6 TRANSITION:

Pascue Vale Girls Secondary College is hold information sessions for 2014 Year 7 students on Tuesday 30th April at 11am Wednesday 1st May at 7pm Thursday 2nd May at 11am Hume Central Secondary College – Dimboola Campus will be visiting the students, and any parents wishing to attend, in LNI on Thursday 28th March at 9am.

Enjoy all the chocolate and family fun over the next 2 weeks.

**LN3**

**Indigenous Family Morning Tea**

A very successful Indigenous Family Morning Tea was held at BVPS on Tuesday 26 March. Thanks to our families who attended and to the Indigenous workers and community representatives who came. They included Troy from Dept of Justice, Leanne from Hume Council, Liz from Merri Community Health, Penny from Education Dept, Desiree from Aboriginal Parent Engagement Worker, Tammy from Diedell and Aunty Gloria from Broadmeadows Community. Hopefully more families will attend our next follow up activities.

**Calendar: March**

**Thursday 28**

Last day of Term 1
School dismissed at 2.00pm

**There will be no**

Milo Cricket Thursday 28

**First Day of Term 2**

15th of April

**Happy Birthday to the following students:**

Issiah N
Manisha N
Lilly M
Younes Y
Izabel K
Jay M
Maylinda M
Lomitusi T
Pedrin T

**HAPPY EASTER AND HAPPY HOLIDAYS TO ALL OF OUR FAMILIES. HAVE A SAFE AND ENJOYABLE BREAK**

For more information visit www.bvps.vic.edu.au
Proudly invites prospective students and families to attend the College's

Year 7-9 OPEN NIGHT
Wednesday 24th April 2013
6.00pm to 7.00pm

ACHIEVEMENT DIVERSITY SUCCESS

Applications for 2014 Year 7 enrolments are now open

Open Night Program
6.00 - 6.45pm General information session
Year 7-10 Academic Challenge and Excellence Program (ACE)
Academic Scholarships

6.45 – 7.00pm Guided Tours
Blair Street - Year 7 Building - Dimboola Road - Multi Purpose Hall

Further to this you are invited to see our College Campuses in operation.
We are running tours at Blair Street and Dimboola Road sites on the following days:
- Friday 26th April 2013
- Monday 29th April 2013
- Tuesday 30th April 2013
- Wednesday 1st May 2013
- Thursday 2nd May 2013

All tours at Blair Street and Dimboola Road starting at 9.15am.
Town Park tour will be running on Thursday 2nd May 2013 only at 9.15 am.
Please report to the Campus Reception.

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