Hello and welcome to this week's edition of The Valley View.

It is with great enthusiasm that I can announce that Education Week 2013 events will be happening all next week at BVPS.

Broadmeadows Valley Primary School will be celebrating Education Week in traditional BVPS fashion. Every day there will be a number of fantastic learning events for our community to participate in.

On Monday, LN1 will be opening the doors in the afternoon to families and parents that would like to see the wonderful work of that our students are doing in the Play-based Learning Program. The Play-based Learning Program runs every Monday afternoon for all students in the prep year level. BVPS employs a highly skilled and experienced play-based specialist educator, Ms Cat Sewell to deliver the program which aims to develop skills in communication and oral language amongst other things. The first hour session begins at 12:30 with the second session taking place from 2:30 until 3:30. See the flyer for further details. For our senior school students, M-Power and Rock and Water will be happening in the afternoon. In this program, our senior school students are exposed to an intensive training session aimed to develop personal resilience and social skills in an engaging and energetic way.

On Tuesday we will be holding an Open Day of Learning. Families and parents are invited to come into the school and spend as much time as they would like in the Learning Neighbourhoods with their children. Watching your children learn and participating in the learning activities is a great way to connect with your child’s education. We’re so very fortunate at BVPS to have so many high quality teachers and staff. Please take the time to come in and experience this for yourself. In addition to the Open Day of Learning on Tuesday, BVPS will be running a Pop-Up-Shop of Adult Learning from 9:00am-11:00am in the space just outside Learning Neighbourhood 1. There will be a mobile barista van and morning tea for parents and family members that would like to hear more of the wonderful learning opportunities for adult learners at BVPS.

We hope to see all our parents in their fitness gear at school on Wednesday morning at 8:50am as we will be running Family iFit day. Parents are invited to participate in our daily fitness regime. If we have any parents with skills in netball, they should hang around and participate in our lunchtime netball clinic that begins at 1:30pm.

On Thursday, families are invited to attend the Eco Footprint Cross-Age learning event. Students in LN1 and LN3 will be working together to determine their ‘ecological footprint’. Families are welcome to participate. This begins at 12:45.

Friday begins with the special Sausages and Eggs BIG Breakfast Club. Beginning at 8:15am, students are invited to share in this free breakfast club event. From 9:30am the Early Learning Centre and Preps will be sharing in some fun activities. A morning tea will follow and visits to the kindergarten.

Please refer to the full list of activities in the Education Week calendar.

Next week promises to be an incredible, fun-filled week for mums, dads, teachers, boys and girls.

See you then,

Andrew Jones
LNI NEWS

LNI rugged up and headed off to CERES Environment Park this week. All the students had a fabulous learning experience through a range of hands on activities that explored the concept of sustainability.

They explored worms and worm farming.

And searched for minibeasts and water bugs to determine the quality of the water.

They were busy bees during the dance and drama session that explored how bees make honey.

A wonderful day! — Jodie, Rosie, Marija, Beth, Karen & Rosie! — Thanks to all our helpers.

Learning Neighbourhood 2

A big congratulations must go out to our Year 3 students who this week endured three days of testing as part of the annual NAPLAN testing. On Tuesday morning the students participated in the Language Conventions testing which focuses on spelling, grammar and punctuation. After recess the students returned to write their very own persuasive text. Be sure to ask your child about what they had to write about. It was an interesting topic! On Wednesday the students were required to read several texts and answer a range of questions on each text and Thursday concluded the testing with a Mathematics test. All of the students conducted themselves extremely well and most of all, put in their best effort.

In our sustainability unit, 'Taking Care of the Earth Together', the focus this week has been on looking at water and thinking about where water comes from, focusing in on the water cycle and then being able to identify why it is important to save water.

In the coming weeks students will be having the opportunity to choose an area of study under the umbrella of sustainability and participate in an action-based project with other students making a difference in that area at Broadmeadows Valley Primary School.

Next week is Education Week at Broadmeadows Valley Primary School! Throughout the week we have a range of activities running that parents and families can participate in however Tuesday morning is when we would especially love to see all of you up here in Learning Neighbourhood 2 Outdoor Literacy Program!

Have a great weekend.

LNI Team

This week has been a full week of NAPLAN assessments and Winter Sport preparations. The Grade 5s who participated in the NAPLAN assessments did a great job to try their best and concentrate on the task. The results of NAPLAN will be available later in the year. It will be important for families to keep these results somewhere safe as many Secondary Colleges request this information from parents.

Our first game of Winter Sport is this week; let’s hope the rain holds out!

Next week is Education Week and we have planned lots of full week of great opportunities for parent to become involved.

On Tuesday 5/6V are attending QUANTUM for their Maths Excursion. On Thursday its 5/6V's turn and on May 30th 5/6H will go.

We have a special Rock and Water/MiPower session on Monday and welcome all our mums and dads to participate in these programs.

GRADE 6 TRANSITION are NOW due to Miss Halton.

Reminders:

Premiers Reading Challenge has begun however there are lots of students in LNI who have not yet returned their consent forms. Please get these to Jan Vella ASAP.

Permission forms for the QUANTUM excursion are due.

Lead. Think. Seek. LNI

Mothers Day Stall

Thank you Eva, Jackie and Bianca for all of your hard work with this years Mothers Day stall. It was a great success. We hope you all enjoyed your Mothers Day.

Hello all!

I have had a number of calls this morning to discuss our wonderful free vision screening for children.

Some are concerned that they have been late with returning the forms. Please advise anybody who wishes to have their child take advantage of this service to attend Meadow Primary School between the hours of 9-12 am & 1-4 pm and they will be examined.

WE HAVE NEVER TURNED ANYBODY AWAY AND WE ARE NOT ABOUT TO START.

Some establishments have advised that they have forms for collection – My previous e-mail asked that those with completed forms should advise us by return e-mail. This assists the club in that we don’t have to attend all 140 odd establishments where there may be returns so this bit may have been overlooked.

I ask that where you do have returns, please dispose of them in a proper manner to prevent the disclosure of personal details recorded there.

Many thanks for your efforts in publicising this most wonderful of projects.

I will let all know of the outcome of the day so that you may see how many children we have assisted.

Regards

Dick

Mr P. M. (Dick) Tracy
Vision Screening Chairperson
LIONS Club of Glenroy
P.O. Box 194
GLENROY Vic 3046

Calendar:

March

Tuesday 21
Active After School Program
Soccer
3.30pm—4.30pm

Wednesday 22
NET SET GO
Netball Program
Lunch Time
Active After School Program
Touch Rugby
3.30pm—4.30pm

Thursday 23
AFL Auskick 2012
Jacana AFL Program on oval
3.40pm—4.40pm

Friday 24
Interschool Sport
LNI Students at home
Bethal Primary School

Happy Birthday to the following students:

Darcy H
Sierra S
James R
Zarnab Z
Salih I
Salia K
Joseph G
Michael H
Carlos Y

For more information visit www.bvps.vic.edu.au
Notice Board

Education Week 2013
20th—24th May
at
Broadmeadows Valley Primary School

Parents, family and friends
are warmly invited to come and join in on the
many exciting activities we have on through
this week.

We have put a timetable in this week’s
newsletter for you to pop on your fridge and a
flyer about our Pop Up Shop of Adult Learning
that will be held on Tuesday morning.

We would love to see you here for our many ac-
tivities that will run through this week.

What will you choose.....

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Hi everyone,

Just to let you know, as part of Education Week, we are going to have a:

**Pop Up Shop of Adult Learning**

**Tuesday 21/5/13**
**9.00 – 11.00am**
**Outside LN1- weather permitting.**

'Parents... do you have a life vision? A dream? Come along & chat with our social worker Brigitte about the Adult Learning Programs we have on offer at BVPS. Find out about childcare arrangements, funding for courses & the variety of playgroups we have available.

Join us for a coffee and morning tea... we would love to see you there!

**Remember... Parents are learners too!**

We will use this as an opportunity to share information about the range of current programs for our families and to find out more about the things parents are interested in and motivated to pursue.

Belinda, from DELCC, Rana, Rachel and Roula from Banksia, Sam, one of our playgroup leaders, and Dotty, Aboriginal Engagement Worker from Lentara will all join us. Hopefully, a few happy parents, as well, to share their stories. Please feel free to join us too.

Our learning neighbourhoods are open to parents as well that morning so we are hoping to get some through traffic.

Warm wishes,

Brigitte Walker

Community Liaison / Social Worker

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What will you choose to come and join in with?

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