Broadmeadows Valley PRIMARY SCHOOL

SCHOOL NEWSLETTER (6th February 2026)

KINDNESS WELLBEING INTEGRITY RESILIENCE

We would like to acknowledge the Wurundjeri people of the Kulin Nation as the traditional custodians of the land on which our school stands. We pay our respects to all First Nations elders, past, present and emerging.

Welcome to 2026!

I hope that everyone has had a relaxing holiday break and that you are all ready to go for a busy year ahead. Great to see everyone back and eager to learn!

Welcome to all the new families that have joined us at Broadmeadows Valley Primary School. I know that everyone will make them feel welcome.

Thank you to all those families who have already processed their school payments for 2026. If you have not yet done this, please do so as soon as possible. If you have a Healthcare card, please provide a copy to the office.

Staffing

A special welcome back to our staff at Broadmeadows Valley Primary School. The staff are always willing to help in any way they can so please see them if you have any issues. I have listed them with their roles, so you know who they are. They all have name badges, so staff members are clearly identified.

Staff	Role
Belinda Karlsson	Principal
Jamielee Black	Assistant Principal
Sharon Goldfinch	Leading Teacher

Teacher	Specialist Role
Betul Sevgi	Physical Education
Marina Lopez Garcia	Visual Arts
Liam O'Grady	STEM
Colleen Coath	Community Hub
Mitch Flavell	Student Counsellor
Nic Brady	ICT/OHS
Kirsten O'Connor-Smith	MHiPS Co-ordinator
Cyndi Stewart	Disability Inclusion

Year Level	Staff
F/1	Ash Macarthur
F/1	Jen Thompson (LN1 Leader)
1/2	Jessica Rogers
1/2	Wendy Cecchini / Sarah Maroukel
3/4	Dafne Yuksel (LN2 Team Leader)
3/4	Sema Yagiz
3/4	Emma Varallo
5/6	Iesha Taha
5/6	Jason Hucker (LN3 Team Leader)
5/6	Ryan Machell

Admin	ES	
Jenny Petrone	Kim Smith	Sam Yehia
Lindy Rider	Christine Tuakana	Leanne Mustard
	Mirna Kid	Mason Watts
	Gloria Marin	

Foundation 2026

A huge warm welcome to our new Foundation students that started their school journey this week! The Foundation students have settled very well into primary school and have already established many school routines.

Student Enrolment

Student enrolment information forms have been sent to all students/families today. We are asking for families to please check all information and return the signed form to their classroom teacher by 25th February.

Student Attendance

All student absences must be supported by a note from families and/or medical certificate and returned to their classroom teacher. If you need to collect your child/ren early for any reason, please present to the office. Please also ensure your child/ren arrive on time to school.

Pupil Free Days

Monday 23rd February is a Curriculum Day. Students are not required to attend school on this day. On this day, teachers will visiting other schools to observe teachers explicitly teaching mathematics.

Monday 9th March is a Public Holiday. Students are not required to attend school on this day.

Sun Smart

Just are reminder that at recess and lunch times from September to April, all students must wear a hat when playing outside. Students are required to wear a school hat or another hat style that protects the face, neck and ears when outdoors, for example broad-brimmed, legionnaire or bucket. Please ensure your child brings their hat to school each day.

School Captains 2026

It is with great pleasure; I announce our School Captains for 2026! Congratulations to our School Captains:

Mia H, Fatima S, Jordan R

I know our School Captains will do an amazing job representing our school and I look forward to working with these amazing students throughout the year!

CSEF

CSEF applications are open for 2026 and are due back by 20th February 2026. Forms were sent home at the beginning of the term. State School Relief Prep Uniform Packages have also gone home.

Meet and Greet

Families are invited to attend a Meet and Teacher afternoon on **Tuesday 10th February at 3:15pm-4:15pm.**

All Learning Neighbourhoods will be open for you to meet and greet your child/ren's teachers.

During this time, teachers will share information about student learning, neighbourhood expectations and important information to help you support your children during the school year.

Families in attendance will receive a free raffle ticket to enter the draw to win a $50 gift card. Prizes will be drawn at the following assembly. Looking forward to seeing you all at our Meet and Greet.

Annual Privacy Reminder for Our School Community

Our school collects and uses student and parent personal information for standard school functions or where permitted by law, as stated in the Schools' privacy policy and the Schools' privacy collection notice.

Our Photographing, Filming and Recording Students policy, describes how we collect and use photographs, video and recordings of students. The policy also explains when parent consent is required and how it can be provided and withdrawn.

We ask parents to also review the guidance we provide on how we use Google Workspace for Education safely at the school and what parents can do to further protect their child's information.

If after reviewing the guidance, you have any questions or concerns regarding your child using Google Workspace for Education, please contact the school.

For more information about privacy, refer to: Schools' privacy policy: information for parents.

Breakfast Club

Breakfast Club is open each morning from 8:15am - 8:45am.

Breakfast Club is delivered by the Victorian Government in partnership with Foodbank Victoria, the program provides healthy meals to help students focus better and participate fully in their education.

Our School Breakfast Club aims to ensure students start the day with a healthy meal and to help students make friends and strong social connections. Breakfast Club is free and open to everyone!

Assembly

Assembly takes place each Friday in the multi-purpose hall at 2:30pm. At assembly the weekly awards are given out and one of the Learning Neighbourhoods will be sharing something from their Learning Neighbourhood. Everyone is welcome to come along!

School Tours

We will be operating school Tours on the following dates/times:

Thursday 19th February 4:00pm
Thursday 26th February 4:00pm
Thursday 5th March 4:00pm
Thursday 12th March 4:00pm

If you have a child who will be starting Foundation in 2027, please make sure you attend one of our school tours!

Meet our New Staff- Mason Watts

Hi, I'm Mason Watts and I am a proud YUIN man. I have a Koori background and I'm looking to bring some culture and a sense of inclusiveness to the school for all at Broadmeadows Valley Primary School. I have joined the Education Support Team in LN3. I look forward to working closely with the students, families and the local community.

OSHClub

OSHClub provides an After Care program at Broadmeadows Valley Primary School. If you have any questions about OSHClub, please contact the office.

Inter-school Sports Dates

HOME - 13th Feb, Bethal primary school (26-52 Eldorado Cres, Melbourne VIC 3048)
AWAY - 20th Feb, Campbellfield Heights(1 Laurel Cres, Campbellfield VIC 3061)
HOME - 27th Feb, Broadmeadows Primary School (62/64-70 Blair St, Broadmeadows Victoria 3047)
AWAY - 6th March, Dallas Brooks (26-36 King St, Dallas VIC 3047)
HOME - 13th March, Coolaroo South PS (Bushfield Cres, Coolaroo VIC 3048)
AWAY -20th March, Meadows PS (41 Gerbert St, Broadmeadows VIC 3047)

I look forward to a productive and happy year with you all.

Belinda Karlsson

Principal

Diary Dates:
Tuesday 10th February- Meet and Greet (3:15pm-4:15pm)
Tuesday 17th February- School Council Meeting (9:30am)
Monday 23rd February -Curriculum Day (Students NOT required at school)
Monday 9th March- Public Holiday (Students NOT required at school)
Thursday 2nd April-Last Day of Term
NAPLAN- Wednesday 11 March 2026 and finishes on Monday 23rd March 2026.

We look forward to seeing you!

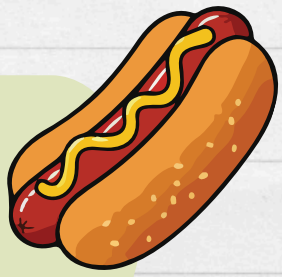
Meet and Greet Afternoon

Together. Supporting. Guiding.

Come and visit your child/ren's
Learning Neighbourhood as there is
important information to share with you about
student learning, neighbourhood expectations
and how you can support your child.

Tuesday 10th February
3:15pm-4:15pm.

There will be free sausages available during the afternoon.



Families in attendance will receive a free raffle ticket to enter the draw to win a $50 gift card.

Prizes will be drawn at the conclusion of the event.

Community Hub

All families are welcome to join the Hub programs, get involved through volunteering, connect with others, share your skills and find out what's happening in our school and wider community.

Contact Colleen Coath for information - 9309 4066.

Welcome Back to School!

We are excited to see how happy everyone is coming back to school. Here are a few reminders from LN2.

Home readers are sent home on Monday's and should be returned on Friday!

It's important that students attend school everyday so they don't miss out on their learning!

Remember to bring a hat to school in Term 1 & Term 4

NO HAT, NO PLAY

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

INFORMATION FOR FAMILIES

Every Victorian child should have access to the world of learning opportunities that exist beyond the classroom. The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund helps ensure that no student will miss out on the opportunity to join their classmates for important, educational and fun activities. It is part of making Victoria the Education State and the Government's commitment to breaking the link between a student's financial circumstances and their outcomes.

CAMPS, SPORTS and EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF)

School camps provide children with inspiring experiences in the great outdoors. Excursions encourage a deeper understanding of how the world works while sports teach teamwork, discipline and leadership. All are a part of a healthy curriculum.

CSEF is provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school excursions, camps and sporting activities.

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or support an out of home care student you may be eligible for CSEF. A special consideration category also exists for asylum seeker and refugee families. The allowance is paid directly to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

The annual CSEF amount per student is $400 for all school students.

HOW TO APPLY

New applicants should contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form or download from the website below.

If you applied for CSEF at your child's school last year, you do not need to complete an application form this year unless there has been a change in your family circumstances.

You only need to complete an application form if any of the following changes have occurred:

- **new student enrolments**: your child has started or changed schools this year.
- **changed family circumstances:** such as a change of custody, change of name, concession card number, or new siblings commencing this year.

Check with the school office if you are unsure.

MORE INFORMATION

For more information about CSEF visit:
https://www.vic.gov.au/camps-sports-and-excursions-fund