

SCHOOL NEWSLETTER (20th August 2025)

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.

Hi Everyone,

It has been hard to believe that we are already half way thorough the term! This term is a short term with only 9 weeks and a reminder that the last day of term is **Friday 19**th **September**.

NAPLAN

The **NAPLAN** (National Assessment Program for Literacy and Numeracy) results were recently released to schools across the country. Overall, Victorian schools have done exceptionally well, and the 2025 Victorian NAPLAN results were the best in the country. More students achieved in the strong or exceeding bands compared to 2024 and fewer students achieved in the bottom band than in 2024. Student participation in NAPLAN improved at each year level in 2025 compared to 2024 and was the second highest participation rate ever, behind only the first year of NAPLAN in 2008.

The NAPLAN results for Broadmeadows Valley Primary School were very pleasing, especially in Literacy which indicated strong improvement in the areas of Reading and Writing. Writing in particular has been a strong focus for our school so it's very pleasing to see growth in this area.

Attendance-Every Day Counts!

Going to school every day is the single most important part of your child's education. Students learn new things at school every day – missing school puts them behind.

SCHOOL IS BETTER WHEN YOUR CHILD IS THERE- Why it's important?

We all want our students to get a great education, and the building blocks for a great education begin with students coming to school each and every day. If students miss school regularly, they miss out on learning the fundamental skills that will set them up for success in the later years of school.

There is no safe number of days for missing school – each day a student misses puts them behind and can affect their educational outcomes.

Each missed day is associated with progressively lower achievement in numeracy, writing and reading.

Attendance patterns are established early – a child regularly missing days in kindergarten or in the early years of school will often continue to miss classes in the later years and receive lower test scores than their classmates.

It's vital that students go to school every day – even in the early years of primary school.

The main reasons for absence are:

Sickness – There are always times when students need to miss school, such as when they're ill. It's vital that they're only away on the days they are genuinely sick. Developing good sleep patterns, eating well and exercising regularly can make a big difference.

Family holidays - It's vital that holidays are planned during school holidays where possible, and not during the term. If you are planning to go on holiday during term time, make sure you discuss your holiday plans with the Principal.

BEING AWAY FROM SCHOOL FOR ONE DAY A FORTNIGHT EQUALS MISSING 1.5 YEARS OVER 13 YEARS OF SCHOOL

100 Days of School-Foundation



On **Friday 8th August,** our wonderful Foundation students reached 100 days of school!

To celebrate this exciting occasion, all Foundation students took part in a '100 Days' celebration.
Foundation students came to school dressed as '100' year olds.



On this fun day, students participated in a variety of exciting activities about the number 100.



Book Week

Friday 12th **September** is going to be an exciting day at Broadmeadows Valley Primary School! The theme for our BVPS Book Week will be 'Celebrating Books We Love'. We are encouraging all of our students and parents to attend school on this day in a costume that reflects this year's theme. Our Book Week Parade will commence at 9:30am in the Multi- Purpose Hall. During the parade, students, parents and staff will be showcasing their costumes in a parade. More information will be sent home shortly.

2025 Parent/Caregiver/Guardian Opinion Survey

Our school is conducting a survey to find out what parents / caregivers / guardians think of our school. The Parent / Caregiver / Guardian Opinion Survey is an annual survey offered by the Department of Education that is designed to assist schools in gaining an understanding of families' perceptions of school climate, student behavior, and student engagement.

The survey is optional, but we encourage all families to participate. Our school will use the survey results to help inform and direct future school planning and improvement strategies.

All families are invited to participate in the survey. The Parent / Caregiver / Guardian Opinion Survey will be open from **Monday 18**th **August to Friday 19**th **September 2025.** For more information please contact the office on 93094066.

Curriculum Day

On **Tuesday 26**th **August**, Broadmeadows Valley Primary School will be having a Curriculum Day. Students are **NOT** required to attend school on this day. During this day, staff at Broadmeadows Valley Primary School will be continuing their work with Story Hubs. Story Hubs are working with us to develop a unique co-designed Story Hub - a wondrous and imaginative new space built within the school, providing an opportunity for students and teachers to step outside the boundaries of their classrooms.

OSHClub

Just a reminder OSHClub is providing an After Care program at Broadmeadows Valley Primary School. If you would like your child/ren to attend OSHClub, please contact the office or OSHClub on 1300395735.

Foundation 2026

Enrolments are now being finalised for the coming year. If you have a sibling who you have not enrolled, please make sure you contact the school office urgently to get the necessary paperwork.

The next Foundation 2026 Tour Date is on:

Thursday 21st August at 4:00pm

Contact us to book your tour on 9309 4066

Have a great week!

Belinda Karlsson

Principal

Term 3

Thursday 21st August-Foundation 2026 School Tour at 4:00pm

Thursday 21st August-School Council

Friday 22nd August-LN2 Excursion-Scienceworks

Tuesday 26th August-Curriculum Day

Friday 29th August-Athletics (selected students from LN2 and LN3)

Thursday 4th September-Father's Day Breakfast

Friday 5th September-Father's Day Stall

Friday 12th September-Book Week Parade

Friday 19th September-Last Day of Term

Term 4

Monday 6th October-Term 4 Commences