



Valley View Public School

Term 3 Week 8 2019

Respect, Responsibility, Personal Best

STAGE 3 NARRABEEN CAMP

COMING EVENTS TERM 3

WEEK 8

Tuesday 10th September
ICAS Spelling

Spelling Bee Regional Finals

P&C Meeting

Wednesday 11th September
Grandparents Day and Art Show

Thursday 12th September
ICAS Writing

Australian Wildlife Walkabout
Park Kindergarten Excursion

Friday 13th September
Primary Assembly

WEEK 9

Tuesday 17th September
ICAS English

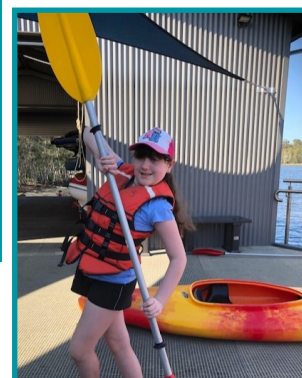
Thursday 19th September
CCCF Rehearsal

ICAS Mathematics

Friday 20th September
Obstacool

WEEK 10

Tuesday 24th September
Surf Fun Talk



CAMP



PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

"No matter what people tell you, words and ideas can change the world." Robin Williams

Welcome to another exciting week at Valley View Public School and a reflection of another successful week of student achievements and experiences. This week we have our Art Show, Grandparents Day and the Kindergarten excursion.

Grandparents Day

Valley View Public School will be hosting our Grandparents Day, **tomorrow**. We look forward to seeing our grandparents joining us to visit classrooms, view our Art Show and enjoy some morning tea.

Art Show

It's finally here! After many weeks of preparation and excitement, the VVPS Art Show is happening this week. I would like to acknowledge our amazing teachers, office staff and general assistant (Andi) who have put in considerable time and energy outside of school hours to make this a very successful experience for our students. The children's art work looks absolutely amazing. We certainly have many talented teachers within Valley View Public School.

Kindergarten Picnic 2020

Our Kindergarten classes and our 2020 Kindergarten students had a great time at the Teddy Bear's Picnic lunch last Thursday. Thank you to all the Early Stage One staff for organising this wonderful opportunity for the students. It was great to meet our 2020 Kindergarten students and their parents and I look forward to seeing you again at View Start. Our View Start Kindergarten transition program starts in Term 4.

Stage 3 Camp

Stage 3 have enjoyed a wonderful time away at their camp, last week. Congratulations, to all students for their outstanding behaviour and for representing our school with pride. I would like to thank Mrs Turner, Mr Wootton, Ms West, Mr Keyes and Mrs Wilson for their supervision on the excursion. A fantastic time was enjoyed by everyone!

School Enrolment

This year, the NSW Department of Education has revised their Enrolment Policy, which will come into effect over the next few months. A FAQ has been included with this week's newsletter for your information.

***Yours in Education**
Mary Hunt
Principal*

AUSTRALIAN INTER SCHOOL SNOW SPORT CHAMPIONSHIPS

Last week Lacey competed in the Australian National Inter School Snow Sport Championships at Mt Buller. She competed against students from all over Australia in two snowboarding events. In the GS snowboarding event, she came 24th, and in the snowboard cross she made it to the National Finals and came 21st in Australia!

VVPS is so proud of Lacey's achievements in her respective sport, and we congratulate her efforts in this National competition!



THIS WEEK IN PBL

Our school has many sets of stairs and walkways that can become slippery when wet. It is important that we move around sensibly, safely and quietly. We must stay to the left in our class lines.

Discussion-

- ◆ Why it's important to walk when using walkways?
- ◆ Why is it important that we keep to the left?



Karen Bulloch
PBL Team

WASTE FREE WEDNESDAYS

2B efforts are outstanding.

During term 3 the leaders have promoted the idea of Waste Free Wednesdays – whereby students bring in a lunch that leaves behind no waste. The students and parents in 2B have made a terrific effort with packing their lunches/afternoon teas and creating no waste.

Students have sandwiches in reusable containers or pouches. Fruit and snacks have been packed into reusable containers – or just eaten whole. Great job 2B and 3/4T made a real effort this week also. Keep up the great work.



Thanks from the Leaders

STUDENT WELLBEING

Developing friendship skills

To develop good friendship skills, now and later, it is important children begin developing the following skills:

- ◆ Self-control; being able to wait for what they want, using words to express their feelings rather than acting disruptively or misbehaving, giving others a turn with toys.
- ◆ Welcoming: being able to approach and respond to others positively (e.g. with a smile and greeting such as “hello”).
- ◆ Assertiveness: being able to say what they would like.
- ◆ Consideration: being able to say “please” and “thank you”, taking turns, being able to lead and follow what others want to do, being able to cooperate and share.
- ◆ Play skills: being willing to take part in games and make suggestions for play.
- ◆ Communicating: talking and listening to others in a friendly way, saying something to start a conversation.
- ◆ Helping: being willing to help others.
- ◆ Prediction: being able to understand how others might be feeling based on their behaviour, being able to predict how their behaviour might affect others.
- ◆ Thinking: about alternatives when things go wrong (eg if other children want to play something, different, thinking of whether to join them or find someone else to play with.)
- ◆ Coping: being able to respond to rejection, disappointment or disapproval without experiencing too much distress or winning without gloating.
- ◆ Empathy: being able to respond to others' feelings with understanding.
- ◆ Flexibility: being open to hearing or learning about other points of view or ways of doing things.

It takes a long time to learn these skills and we continue to develop them well into adulthood. We can help children develop these skills by being aware of what friendships and empathy skills they are developing, playing with them and giving some gentle coaching when children are really struggling with something. Children develop these skills through daily experiences; however, if parents are aware of them they can give a hand at moments when help is needed. For more information go to <https://www.kidsmatter.edu.au>

TELL THEM FROM ME SURVEY

This term our school, like many other public schools in the state, will participate in a Department of Education initiative: the *Tell Them From Me* student feedback survey. The survey measures factors that are known to affect academic achievement and other student outcomes. The focus of the NSW-wide survey is on student wellbeing, engagement and effective teaching practices.

You may remember that our students also participated in a *Tell Them From Me* student survey in Term 1 this year. Asking students to complete the survey twice in one year allows us to identify trends in student responses as well as track engagement and motivation across the school year.

The survey is a great opportunity for our students, in Years 4-6, to provide us with valuable and quick feedback on what they think about school life, how engaged they are with school and the different ways that teachers interact with them. More than 6,300 schools in Australia and around the world have used *Tell Them From Me* to survey 5.4 million students. Capturing the voices of our students will help improve how we do things at our school.

More information about the survey is available at: <http://surveys.cese.nsw.gov.au>

I want to assure you that the survey is confidential. The survey is conducted online and will typically take less than 30 minutes to complete. It will be administered during school hours and be completed by October 25th, 2019. Participating in the survey is entirely voluntary.

A consent form and FAQs for parents/carers about the survey is being sent home with students. in grades 4-6. If you **do not** want your child or children to participate, please return the form to school by 13/9/19. Copies of the form and FAQs are available from: <http://surveys.cese.nsw.gov.au/information-for-parents>

*Thanking you,
Kellie McCabe
TTFM School Co-ordinator*

Friday 20th September

Obstacool School Fundraiser

The P&C Association for Valley View Public School have teamed up with Obstacool for an all school fundraiser to be held on Friday 20th September.

All children will have the chance to run the inflatable obstacle course for up to 40 minutes in their respective stages.

More information will be sent home with your child in the coming week.

Cost of the event is \$10 per child. All money and signed permission slips are to be returned to the office with your child's name and the name of the event clearly printed on either an envelope or zip lock bag.



The poster features a photograph of children running on a red and yellow inflatable obstacle course. The course has 'OBSTACOOOL' and 'OBSTACLE COURSES FOR KIDS' written on it. Below the photo, the text reads: 'OBSTACOOOL OBSTACLE COURSES FOR KIDS', 'Valley View Public School', 'Friday 20th of September', 'Fun & Safe - All Fitness Levels', and 'www.obstacool.com.au'. At the bottom, there are social media icons for Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram, all with the handle 'obstacoolkids'.

NSW Department of Education



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Enrolment policy

Information for parents

The Enrolment of Students in NSW Government Schools policy is in place to assist schools to meet their obligations under the Education Act 1990 - to ensure that every student has a place at their local school. The policy also communicates to staff and the community a transparent enrolment process.

Why was the enrolment policy revised?

Across the state, many communities are changing. Some are growing at rates never seen before. Some schools that used to be able to accept out-of-area enrolments, no longer have the room to do so.

The revised policy is designed to support schools to manage all enrolment applications, encourage greater consistency in decision-making and make sure the enrolment choices are clear for parents.

What are the changes?

The enrolment cap

The enrolment cap is the number of students that can be enrolled at a school based on the school's permanent accommodation. The enrolment cap tells us whether the school may or may not have the capacity to accept non-local enrolments. It is not a target or limit on the number of local enrolments a school can take.

Each school with a local intake area will have a cap set by the department from Term 4 2019.

Within the enrolment cap, a number of enrolment places (the buffer) must be kept aside for the likely number of local students who will need to enrol during the year. For this reason, a school will not take non-local students once they reach their buffer, unless there are exceptional circumstances.

100-point residential address check

Parents planning to enrol their child at a school that is near or at their buffer or cap will be asked to complete the 100-point residential address check to confirm they live within the school's designated intake area. This means you will need to provide documents to verify your child's current address.

So that schools only seek information relevant to your child's enrolment, a list of approved documents for the residential address check is available from the school or the department's website at <https://education.nsw.gov.au/policy-library/policies/enrolment-of-students-in-nsw-government-schools>.

Selection criteria for non-local enrolment

Sibling enrolments are now clearly prioritised (where possible) and selection criteria for non-local enrolment will not include student ability, performance or achievement.

education.nsw.gov.au



What has not changed?

Schools will continue to enrol students who live in their local intake area, regardless of the school's cap status.

There are no changes to enrolment rights of siblings of non-local students. In schools with available places, each enrolment application is considered on its merits, including if siblings currently attend the school. If the school is below capacity, out-of-area applications for siblings of current students will be given enrolment priority.

Schools will continue to provide families with support and advice during the enrolment process, including assessment of exceptional and compelling circumstances particularly for vulnerable students and their families.

Schools will also continue to apply the policy fairly and consistently using transparent and accountable processes when making decisions around enrolment applications. Parents have a right to appeal to determine whether the stated processes have been applied in a procedurally fair manner.

But what do the changes mean for me?

What if my child is already enrolled but we do not live in that school's intake area?

Your child will remain enrolled at the school as the revised policy does not affect students already enrolled in NSW Government schools.

We were in area when my child was enrolled in the school. The department has since changed the school's boundary and our residence is now out of area. I have other children and I want them all to go to the same school.

What are my options?

At times it is necessary for the department to make adjustments to a school's local enrolment intake area. This could mean a family with a child/children already enrolled is then outside the local intake area. When this happens, the family will still be able to enrol siblings together at the school, regardless of whether the school is over the buffer or cap.

I already have a child enrolled as an out-of-area student in a NSW Government school. Can I enrol my other children at that school too?

This will depend on the capacity of the school:

- If the school is **not near its buffer**, then siblings should be able to be enrolled at the school. In fact, siblings of students currently enrolled will be prioritised, where possible, over other non-local enrolment applications.
- If the school is **nearing its buffer**, then the school will form a non-local enrolment panel. The panel considers non-local enrolment applications when the number of non-local applications received exceeds the number of places available below the buffer. Again, in this instance, siblings of students currently enrolled will be prioritised, where possible, over other non-local enrolment applications.
- If the school is **at capacity** they will not accept non-local enrolment applications unless there are exceptional circumstances.

I have already accepted an offer for my child to attend a school in 2020 that is not my local school. What happens now?

The enrolment will proceed. Non-local enrolments accepted before Term 4 2019 for students starting in 2020 should not be affected.

What is the criteria for enrolment in a school that is not my local school?

Schools that are able to accept non-local enrolment applications establish a non-local enrolment selection panel, if demand exceeds the number of places below the school's buffer.

Schools are required to make the selection criteria available to the school community.

My circumstances are challenging and I think this school is best for my child. We live outside the school's intake area. What should I do?

We understand that not everyone's circumstances are the same, and that there are instances where exceptional circumstances will need to be considered.

Your circumstances should be discussed with the principal of your local school who can assist you to negotiate an out-of-area enrolment if there are exceptional and compelling circumstances.

Contact

For general enquiries contact: 1300 679 332 or email: DoEinfo@det.nsw.edu.au

For enrolment enquiries, speak to your local school. Find school contact details at: <https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/going-to-a-public-school/finding-a-public-school>



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Wednesday 11th September
Grandparents Day and Art Show

Tuesday 17th December
Year 6 Farewell—Gosford Golf Club



Wednesday 11th September 2019

All Valley View grandparents are welcome to join us on this special day to share some time with your grandchildren and see what they are doing at school.

The day will run as follows:-

- 9.00am- Welcome to Valley View Public School (under the COLA)
9.15am- Classrooms
9.45am- Grandparents move to hall for Art Show
9.50am- Viewing of Art Show (Gold coin donation)
10.20am- Morning tea served behind the hall
10.30am- Children to meet their grandparents for lunch

We are looking forward to seeing all the wonderful grandparents.



FLYING THE AUSTRALIAN FLAG

Flag Duty – Week 8

Year 6 students on flag duty for Week 8 are Tirryn and Riley P

Thank you to the students on duty in Week 7



FRIENDS OF STEWART HOUSE (FOSH)



Invites you to

GOSFORD RACE DAY

The month before Christmas Race Day celebration.

Great idea for end of term outing for schools!

Last big fundraiser for FOSH 2019

Saturday, November 23, 2019

Free entry into the races & race book

Shared platters – antipasto & dips/sticky spiced chicken, corn
salsa/Australian cheeses, dried fruit and crackers.

Purchase own drinks.

Dedicated area for our group on Mezzanine floor

Great view of track

TAB & Bookmaker facilities

Door prizes

Donation included for Stewart House

TOTAL COST \$75 PER PERSON

(Tables of six)

Address – Racecourse Road, Gosford

Only 2.2 km from Gosford Station

(Buses 33/34 go directly to the Racecourse)

Booking contact asap:

Kerryanne Knox

kknnox@bigpond.com or

Cynthia Hall

c.7Hall@gmail.com or

Lloyd Hogg

hoggy46@hotmail.com

Payment must be made by cob November 1st:

BSB : 812-170

Account Number : 263444

Account Name : Friends of Stewart House

Include your name and RACEDAY



OFFICE NEWS

Procedures for payments to school and notes:

Students must bring money to the office in the morning and place in the box on the front counter.

Parents please remember to:

Place money in an envelope or a plastic bag, money will not be accepted unless it is in an envelope or plastic bag.

Clearly print your child's name, class, and purpose for the payment on the outside of the envelope or bag. Any unlabelled monies are unable to be processed.

We appreciate your help.

Nicole Dorratt
School Administration Manager

DOES YOUR CHILD HAVE ASTHMA?

If your child has asthma—please ensure the school has an updated asthma plan and asthma medication for your child. It is Department Policy that all plans are updated annually to ensure that the school is following the most up to date medical instructions for your child.

The school will be contacting parents of students listed as having asthma before the end of the term, if our records show that plans or medication are out of date.

If you know your child's medication needs replacing, please bring new supplies to the front office.



OFFICE NEWS—Parent Transport Requirements

Paperwork required **BEFORE** the day you are transporting students:

- ◆ Copy of vehicle registration papers
- ◆ Copy of car insurance
- ◆ Working with Children's Check
- ◆ Appendix 5 with 100 points of identification



Without this paperwork, you cannot legally transport children in your car. This needs to be in the office at least 1 week prior to the event as it needs to be processed. This is a legal Department policy.

P&C NEWS

Your P&C Provides – Father's Day Events

What a turn out we had for the Father's Day Breakfast! It was great to see so many superhero father figures able to share this fun morning with their loved ones. As a P&C we love to celebrate these special people in our kids' lives. Our Father's Day Stall and Raffle are a major part of this. I would like to thank, Lisa C, Lisa F, Nikki D, Karen G, Kristy A, Amy A, Linda D, Emma W-A and Lee-Anne B for their great help for the Stall. Fleur C, Mark C, Lee-Anne B, Daina K, Rhys K for their great assistance for the Father's Day Raffle during the Father's Day Breakfast. A big thank you too goes to Mrs Anderson whose wonderful work allowed the Stall to function smoothly as well as her stellar effort as Father's Day Breakfast MC. Thank you as well to all the teachers and staff who helped to plan this event and make it fun and engaging to everyone who attended. We managed to raise an amazing \$502.42 from the Father's Day Stall and a whopping \$201.80 from the Father's Day Raffle. A massive thank you to Executive Team members Daina Kirk and Lee-Anne Bishop whose hard work behind the scenes enabled these events to be such a hit. A lot of planning goes into these days. If you would like to help out, we would love to hear from you. We hope everyone had a great time during these events and we thank all the super Father figures who enrich our kids' lives and help nurture them to become the best they can be.

Breakfast Club

Bakers Delight Wyoming, we rightfully say this every week as we cannot sing their praises loudly enough. Thank you Bakers Delight Wyoming, your support of our school is so very appreciated. To show your support for them please head down to Wyoming Shopping Village, you won't be disappointed by their range. We would love to have more volunteers so we can open Monday and Friday morning. Thank you to everyone who helps provide this service. If you are available to help in the Breakfast Club, please see Lisa Chadwick (Vice President Standing) for more details, or email her on vicepresidentvvpc@gmail.com.

Appendix 5 - Volunteer Requirement

Simple and quick if you are a close relative of a student (parent, grandmother or sibling). 100 points of ID along with a simple form and a chat with our amazing Office staff and you're ready to volunteer for our school for 12 months. Complete your 3 days before you volunteer, please note, this is also relevant to those who help in classrooms with reading and the like.

Uniform Shop Winter Stock Still being cleared - uniformvvpc@gmail.com

Opening hours are now Thursdays between 2:00 and 3:00. Email orders are available, as well as orders through the Office. Further clearance of our sale stock is available this week. We will be donating these items at the end of the term, so please don't hesitate if you would like any of these quality items.

BWPSSA (zone) Athletics Carnival BBQ- Wednesday 18th of September

If you love to BBQ, or serve hungry hordes, we would love to have your assistance for this jam-packed event. Please email me or any P&C member and we can give you further information.

Obstacool- Friday 20th of September

We'd love to see you for this fun event, if you would like to know more please email our Vice President (Adhoc) Lee-Anne Bishop at fundraisingvvpc@gmail.com, or speak to a P&C member who would love to tell you more.

Dates for the diary:

P&C Meeting: Tuesday 10th September

Grandparent's Day/Art Show: Wednesday 11th September

BWPSSA BBQ—Wednesday 18th September

Obstacool: Friday 20th September

Shannon Osmond
2019 P&C President



CANTEEN NEWS

Canteen days are Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

Hours are 8.30am to 1:50pm.

Orders can be placed at the canteen from 8:30am to 9:00am.



Week 8-This week will be another busy week in the canteen. It's Grandparents Day and Art Show tomorrow! We can't wait to see you there.

GRANDPARENTS DAY The Canteen will offer a range of foods for Grandparents to purchase tomorrow. They are welcome to stay and have lunch with the kids.

We are selling a Picnic Pack \$4.00

Assorted sandwiches \$2.50

Muffins \$1.00

Drinks. From \$1.00

We hope you all enjoy the morning. Happy Grandparents Day



2019 ART SHOW

Tomorrow night at the Art Show the Canteen is providing a small section of canapes and light refreshments. We look forward to seeing you there.

Dates to Remember – Next Friday (20th September) Is ObstAcool. It's going to be a lot of fun for the kids – thanks to the P&C for hosting this event. The Canteen **WILL** be open for lunch orders and snacks. Our regular menu will be available.

DID YOU KNOW we offer Lilydale chicken for our chicken burgers?



Lilydale free range chickens are only fed ingredients from suppliers who undertake to supply non-genetically modified feed. All Lilydale chickens enjoy a nutritious diet comprising quality cereal grains, such as wheat and sorghum, protein meals and supplemented by natural vitamins, organic minerals and natural antioxidants. All Lilydale products are Halal and are accredited by the

Australian Federation of Islamic Councils.

We are still looking for volunteers. If you can spare any time on a Wednesday, Thursday or Friday. Please don't hesitate to message me 0438 283165 or pop in for a chat.

*Bec van Drempt
Canteen Supervisor*

UNIFORM SHOP

Email: uniformvvpc@gmail.com Uniform Shop Opening Hours Thursday 2:00pm – 3:00pm



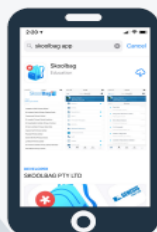
We are looking for a new Uniform Shop Coordinator, if you'd like to learn more about this position please direct your inquiries to Lisa through vicepresidentvvpc@gmail.com or talk to us one-on-one at the Uniform Shop, located at the Cottage near the COLA. Please be aware that lost property is going to be sorted every 2 weeks due to hygiene concerns. Please clearly label all items your child brings to school. Lost property is located outside the Uniform Shop.



Stay informed with the SkoolBag App



The SkoolBag app is the easiest way to stay up-to-date with school events, last minutes notices, newsletters and all school communications.



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Download the app

Search for the free SkoolBag app in the Apple App or Google Play Store

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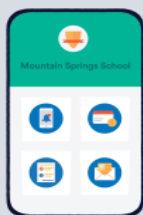
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Sign up in seconds with your email address

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Search for your school and add your subscription groups



SkoolBag

Download Instructions:

For Apple Users

1. From your iPhone/iPad, open the Apple App Store and search for "SkoolBag".
2. Download the free SkoolBag app.
3. Open the app, add your school and you're ready to go!

Google/Android Users

1. From your Android device, ensure you have an account in the Google Play Store.
2. Open the Google Play Store and search for "SkoolBag".
3. Download the free SkoolBag app.
4. Open the app, add your school and you're ready to go.

Bakers Delight
We're for real.
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To register and make bookings, visit www.campaustralia.com.au or Customer Care Team on 1300 105 343. The team are available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week (except National Public Holidays).

Camp Australia – Valley View Public School service phone number: **0411 298 277**

Before Care Times: 6:30am-9:00am

After Care Times: 3:00pm-6:30pm

We look forward to caring for your children

Notes issued this week:

View Start Parent Information—Kindergarten 2020

All notes are now on the school website at valleyview-schools.nsw.edu.au and on the App

