

# **Valley View Public School**

## **Respect, Responsibility, Personal Best**

# **NAIDOC WEEK 2020**



#### **COMING EVENTS**

#### **TERM 4**

#### WEEK 6

Tuesday 17 November Lisarow Transition

#### WEEK 8

Monday 30 November Mobile Dental Program 30/11/20 to 11/12/20

Friday 4 December Surf Fun Day

#### WEEK 9

Monday 7 December K-6 Presentation Day Please note change of date

Tuesday 8 December
Year 6 Graduation
Year 6 Formal
Please note change of date

#### **WEEK 10**

Tuesday 15 December MOTIV8 Sports Year 6 Big Day In

Wednesday 16 December Last Day Term 4























## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

#### **School Leaders**

Last Friday, our Year 5 students who were interested in becoming School Leaders in 2021 gave their speeches to the school. I was thoroughly impressed with the effort that each candidate clearly put into writing and presenting their speeches, they should all be proud of themselves. Thanks must go to Mrs Suanning who has worked with our Year 5 students over the past few weeks preparing them for this day and running the voting.

Students in Years 2-5, along with the staff, have voted and 2021 School Leaders will be announced shortly. Best of luck everyone!



#### **NAIDOC** Week

NAIDOC Week is traditionally held earlier in the year, however it was postponed this year in the interest of safety due to COVID-19 and last week we were able to celebrate the week.

This year's theme was 'Always Was, Always Will Be'. Our students and teachers participated in a number of class and stage-based activities to help commemorate this special occasion, with a special mufti day held on Friday.



Thank you to Mrs McCabe for organising the week!

#### **Remembrance Day**

Last Wednesday our School Leaders ran a touching Remembrance Day Assembly for the school, highlighting the significance of the day. Once again, the leaders did a wonderful job of running the assembly and it was pleasing to see the high level of respect shown by each and every one of our students.

Congratulations goes to Anita W for receiving a prize in the ANZAC Day colouring-in competition, well done! A big thank you goes to Mrs Suanning for organising the assembly, it was a lovely way to commemorate such an important day.



#### **P&C News**

Don't forget to send your orders in for the P&C Cook Book. This is a wonderful way to support the P&C and would make a wonderful Christmas present!

#### **2020 Presentation Day**

The Department of Education have released new guidelines for the remainder of the year and include:

#### Visitors to school sites

- From November 12, P&C meetings can proceed on school sites after school hours (maximum of 20 people).
- Essential parent / carer meetings can continue, however, non-essential adults are still not permitted on school grounds or at school events.
- Canteen and uniform shop volunteers can continue.
- Scripture and Ethics volunteers are still permitted
- Parent volunteers required as educational support roles for curriculum related activities; such as reading groups or music tuition.



#### 2020 Presentation Day (con't)

- All visitors must sign the external visitors form at the front office upon arrival.
- Physical distancing regulations still apply to all adults accessing the school site.
- Carols by candlelight events are still on hold.
- School-based events that involve large gatherings of adults remain on hold until further notice.
- Schools are required to maintain a record of names and contact details for all visitors to the school site for at least 28 days after the event.
- External visitors should not be allowed access to areas outside of the designated event venue and should leave promptly at the conclusion of the event.

#### **School Operations**

- Whole school assemblies can recommence for students and staff only.
- ♦ Year 7 orientations (face-to-face) can proceed.
- Year 6 graduation assemblies and formals can be held with restricted access to visitors based on the physical distancing regulations (4 square metres p/person including all staff, students and visitors).
- End-of-year activities, including award ceremonies, school performances and class party days can proceed for staff and students only as long as they align to the NSW Health and Department of Education guidelines.
- Opportunity Class testing will take place on-site on Wednesday 18 November for those students whose parents have already applied and been informed by the High Performance Unit.
- Singing and music ensembles are permitted in adherence with the department's guidelines for singing, musical activities and creative arts.

As such, we will be holding our **Presentation Day for K-6 on Monday, 7<sup>th</sup> December without parents or carers.** We sincerely apologise for this but we cannot abide by the 4 square metre rule that still stands with current COVID-19 restrictions.

We will however be inviting **one representative** from each Year 6 family to attend their graduation ceremony on the **8**<sup>th</sup> **of December** as we will be able accommodate the smaller numbers. More details with times etc will be sent out closer to the day.

#### **View Start Thanks**

I wanted to pass on our sincere thanks to the volunteers who helped Fleur run the Uniform Shop for our new Kindergarten families last week. It was so lovely to hear you pass on advice to those who are new to school life and I know the help was greatly appreciated. What a lovely introduction to school!

Have a great week, Kirsty Squires Principal





## **ONLINE ENROLMENTS**

The Online Enrolment System is now up and running. This system is designed to provide flexibility for our parents to submit an enrolment application online and at the time that suits you best. The application can be accessed on all browsers and mobile devices including iOS and Android.

The online application process is currently restricted to:

- ♦ Enrolments into **local** schools only
- Children who are Australian citizens, New Zealand citizens or permanent residents
- Children who live in NSW.

We offer our support and encourage you to complete your application to enrol online. If, however, you do not feel comfortable completing an application online, a paper copy will be available for collection from the front office or can be downloaded from the Department's going to a public school site.

## **S**CHOOL GATES

School gates are locked each morning at 9:30am and opened again in the afternoon at 2:15pm. If you have to come into the school please phone the office for instructions 4328 4433.

There is no entry during the day through the Binya Street gate or the Elizabeth Street gate. Visitors are asked to park at the front of the school. Entry into the school will only be through the pedestrian gate next to the main driveway.

We ask that you close the gate as you enter and leave.



## **FLAG DUTY**

Week 8
Melek and Gemma

Week 9
Belinda and Alissa

Week 10 Leaders



## **SMS SERVICE FOR ABSENCES**

Valley View public School are now sending out SMS/text messages to parents/caregivers if your child is absent from school.

You will be able to respond to these messages and give the reason for why your child is away. This will then become an official record, eliminating the need for a written explanation note. Please respond to these messages each time you receive one.



It is important that we have your correct contact details at the school. If you have changed phone numbers, moved house, or have different emergency contacts, please inform the school immediately.

Nicole Dorratt School Administration Manager



## **PBL THIS WEEK**

We have been very busy in PBL each week. Please see an overview of the skills we have been learning and practising daily in all settings across the school.

- ♦ Hands and feet to self- At Valley View Public we are always respectful. We are respectful in the classroom, playground and in all areas of school. When we are respectful we keep our hands and feet to ourselves.
- Respect on task in class- At Valley View Public School, we demonstrate responsibility in class by staying on-task and giving our personal best. We always follow teacher instructions and show respect to others by politely listening to them.

At Valley View Public our values are Respect, Responsibility and Personal Best. Being respectful involves treating others the way that we would like to be treated. Being Responsible means doing what is expected of ourselves without prompting. Lastly, our personal best involves doing everything possible to make the best choices and persevering every step of the way.

## **SCHOOL BANKING**

The last day for school banking this year is Tuesday 1st December 2020

## **N**SW Health Primary School Dental Program

NSW Health is working with public primary schools to offer free dental check-ups and preventive care to students as part of a school-based mobile dental program. Your child's school has been selected to participate in this program.

The program involves a mobile dental team making scheduled visits to your child's primary school. During the first appointment a dental check-up and preventive care package will be provided, subject to parental consent.

The program is scheduled to visit your child's school from 30/11/2020 to 11/12/2020.

Parent Information and Consent Packs will be sent home, including information sheets, consent forms and the program privacy statement. Parents/guardians who want their child to receive care are advised to:

- Read all the information provided
- Carefully complete the consent forms
- Return the consent forms to the school as soon as possible

More information about the program is available on the NSW Health website: <a href="https://ww.health.nsw.gov.au/oralhealth/primaryschooldental">https://ww.health.nsw.gov.au/oralhealth/primaryschooldental</a>.

From July 2019, children attending participating primary schools in The Central Coast will have access to free dental care through the NSW Health Primary School Mobile Dental Program. Learn more: health.nsw.gov.au/primaryschooldental

#### **IMPORTANT:**

Due to COVID restrictions, parents are unable to attend the dental clinic at school.









## **UNIFORM SHOP**

The Uniform shop is open for business Fridays mornings from 8:30 – 9:30am. However, if you do not need to try items on, we ask that you use our new online ordering process with secure payment via PayPal located on the Valley View Public School website (on the P&C Page) via the following link – <a href="https://www.valleyviewpandc.org.au">www.valleyviewpandc.org.au</a>

All orders are processed on Friday morning during Uniform Shop hours.

#### \*\* Please note that cash payments are still accepted at our Uniform Shop \*\*

If you provide your child's name and class details, the ordered items will be delivered to your child's classroom, alternately you can elect for you or your child to pick the order up from the Uniform Shop 8:30 – 9:30 on a Friday. If you do need to visit the Uniform Shop, we ask that you please observe the following conditions required by the Education department.

- One customer (an adult plus their children) in the shop at a time
- Adults will need to fill out a short form recording their attendance in the school
- EFT payments preferred

To help keep lost property to a minimum, please label all clothing.

Iron on labels printed with your child's name are now available to purchase from the Uniform Shop for just 50 cents each.



## P&C NEWS

#### **P&C Meetings**

We had a really productive meeting last Tuesday! A big thank you to everyone who joined us. Please note that due to conflicting events, the next & final P&C meeting for 2020 will be held on **Tuesday 1**<sup>st</sup> **December at 7:00pm.** A link for joining us will be distributed in the coming weeks.

#### **P&C Fundraising - Cookbook**

We are so excited!! Our Anniversary Cookbook is in the final stages of printing and will be on its way to us shortly! Please don't forget to place your orders as soon as possible by returning the completed order form and funds to the front office.

#### **End of Year Celebration**

As you are all aware, Covid-19 has put a stop to almost every activity that the P&C would normally run or participate in at the school this year. Unfortunately our end of year Christmas event is no exception. We are so saddened by this outcome, but support the Department of Education in making such a difficult decision for all schools and their P&C Association events for the remainder of Term 4 and hope to be back better than ever in 2021!

#### **Lost Property**

Don't forget about your lost property!!! In the lead up to the end of Term 4, please remind your children to visit the Lost Property area (located near the Uniform Shop at The Cottage). It is getting pretty busy again. Please remind your child to go to Lost Property during lunch to see if there are any items that belong to them.

Just a reminder that due to Covid restrictions, P&C volunteers are limited on the school grounds and the Uniform Shop is only open and operational on Friday mornings, so some subtle reminders for your children are a great idea!

#### **School Banking**

The last day for school banking for 2020 will be Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> December. If you are ordering any prizes for your child, please ensure that everything is ordered before Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> November.



Kind regards Lee-Anne Bishop President, P&C Association

## **UNIFORM SHOP**

PLEASE NOTE: The uniform shop will be open on the staff development day next year:

- Wednesday 27 January 2021
- ♦ 8:30am—10:30am
- ♦ 1:00pm—3:00pm

Orders can be placed online and collected from the Uniform Shop



## **CANTEEN NEWS**

# CANTEEN OPERATING HOURS ARE WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY AND FRIDAY 8.30am to 1.50pm



#### Welcome to week 6

Thanks for another amazing few weeks in the canteen. We have loved once again delivering party packs to the children for their birthdays. We hope they had a good day.

As the weather warms up, we are continuing to sell a selection of ice blocks. Prices ranging from 20c to \$1 - Slushies are also popular. Selling for \$2 (these can also be added to lunch orders)



Our slushie Flavour is now STRAWBERRY. We hope all the students enjoy it.

Dates to remember – 16<sup>th</sup> December – LAST day of school – keep an eye out for the END OF YEAR MINI MENU (Meal Deal).



#### **NEW INFORMATION**

The uniform shop is now selling the school navy hats (caps) from the Canteen. They are \$5 – available Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday. They are great as the weather gets warmer.

Rebecca Van Drempt Canteen Supervisor Bec 0438 283165



## **OSH CLUB**

This fortnight at OSHClub has seen the children engaging in many new Moovosity activities. Giving the children the choice of games, they engage in not only allows development of identity but also the opportunity to be responsible for their own physical health. All the children enjoy joining in new Moovosity games during both before and after school care and often request replaying games we've already experienced.















Scientific concepts have been within our program with the children engaging in cooking experiences such as making their own juice and no bake cookie dough. These hands on activities give the children the opportunity to engage in hypothesising, problem solving, weight and measurement.













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- 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.
- Open the Google Play Store and search for "SkoolBag".
- 3. Download the free SkoolBag app.
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#### Notes issued this week:

Surf Fun Day—Stage 3

Ten Pin Bowling-K/6L & K/6G

Year 6 Formal 2020—Year 6

Lisarow High Transition—Year 6

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

