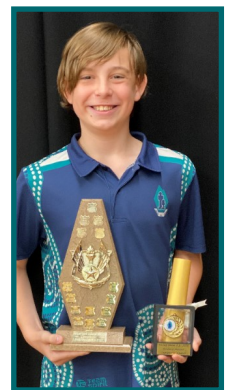




Respect, Responsibility, Personal Best

PRESENTATION DAY 2020 MAJOR AWARD WINNERS



COMING EVENTS

TERM 4

WEEK 10

Tuesday 15 December
MOTIV8 Sports Year 6 Big Day In

Wednesday 16 December
Last Day Term 4

TERM 1 2021

WEEK 1

Wednesday 27 January
Staff Development Day

Thursday 28 January
Staff Development Day

Friday 29 January
Students Return to School
Years 1-6
Best Start

WEEK 2

Monday 1 January
Best Start

Tuesday 2 January
Best Start

Wednesday 3 January
Kindergarten Start School



NSW DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION



PRINCIPAL REPORT

K-6 Presentation Day

We had a wonderful Presentation Day last Monday. It was a lovely way to acknowledge the hard work and achievements of our students this year, especially given the challenging times we've had. We sincerely apologise for not having parents on-site, but given the way this year has panned out I know you will have understood. Mrs Anderson has made a special 'Presentation Day' video which can be seen on our school's Facebook page which showcases our major award winners.

A huge thank you to the organising team of Mrs Anderson, Mrs Bulloch and to Mrs Suaning for working with our leaders to prepare them for the day.

Congratulations everyone!

Major Award Winners 2020

Award	Award Winner	Award	Award Winner
<i>Band</i>	Seamus Evelyn	<i>James Webster Endeavour</i>	Koby
<i>P&C</i>	Cheronne Maughan	<i>Chamberlain Gardens K-2 Citizenship</i>	Alannah
<i>Library</i>	Makayla	<i>Major Citizenship</i>	Hunter
<i>Values</i>	Belinda	<i>Science</i>	Cameron
<i>Sport House</i>		<i>Mathematics</i>	Cynthia
<i>Sportsperson</i>	Olivia	<i>English</i>	Sophie
<i>Performing Arts</i>	Elizabeth	<i>Most Outstanding Student</i>	Andrew
<i>Lions Club Award</i>	Aurora/Skarlett	<i>EALD Award</i>	Emma S

School Leaders 2021

We were very excited to hear our School Leaders announced at last week's Presentation Day. A huge congratulations to the following students:

- ◆ **School Captains:** Jazmine S and Cohen T
- ◆ **School Leaders:** Hunter D, Lisa B, David P, and Bella C

I look forward to working closely with these students in 2021!

Year 6 Graduation and Formal

Last Tuesday we held our Year 6 Graduation ceremony and formal, both in the school hall. It was important to us to recognise the significance of the final year of primary school so it was lovely to have parents attend, even if it was only one family member per student.

A huge thank you to the formal committee for the amazing job they did decorating the hall for the night – it looked truly out of this world! Having a food truck cater for dinner was fantastic and the kids (and staff) had a great time dancing the night away. It was a lovely way to mark the end of Year 6!

Year 6 Can Drive

Well done to Year 6 for their efforts with the Return and Earn can drive, \$150.00 was donated to Stewart House this year which was a fantastic effort. Thanks to the community for your fantastic support.



CLASS AWARD WINNERS

Class	Academic	Academic	Class	Citizenship
KB	Lachlan		Amelia	Matthew
KK	Carissa		Harper	Olivia
K/1B	K-Lachlan	Yr 1-Elliott	Linda	Judah
1HA	Thomas		Aadil	Ruby
1/2H M	Yr 1- Liam	Yr 2- Charlotte	Anika	Billie
2T	Callum		Made Finn	Fergus
2P	Onat		Tara	Savannah
3/4T	Yr 3- Michael	Yr 4- Mark	Makaya-Leigh	Ethan
3/4H	Yr 3- Evie	Yr 4- Hayley	Sienna	Laureline
3/4K	Yr 3- Hayden	Yr 4- Emma	Troy	Zaia
4/5S	Yr 4- Christopher	Yr 5-Bella	Jazmine	Lacey
5/6S	Yr 5- David	Yr 6- Cynthia	Indigo	Nathaniel
5/6T	Yr 5- Valentina	Yr 6- Belinda	Kentia	Anastasia
5/6B	Yr 5- Cohen	Yr 6- Andrew	Elizabeth	Mya
K/6L			Karina	Millie
K/6G			Eli	Callum

Staffing 2021

At the end of the year there are often staffing changes in schools, this year is no exception. I would like to congratulate Mr Luke Tosevic who will be heading off to Avoca PS next year, I know he will be greatly missed here at Valley View.

I would also like to farewell Ms Lori Gibson who has worked here over the past few years with the school's Learning and Support Team and the Positive Behaviour for Learning team. We have been lucky to have Lori share her wealth of information with us and she is leaving us with solid systems and practices in place.

Farewell also to our General Assistant Glenn Harris who has been working here for the past year. We thank him for all that he has done and wish him all the best for the future.

We would also like to welcome Mr Michael Newley who was successful through merit selection for the General Assistant position. Michael will start next year.

Our last farewell is to Mrs Lucy Mills who has been a part of our Learning and Support team. Lucy is leaving to get ready for the birth of her child and we look forward to meeting the latest addition to her family next year. We are also fortunate enough to be welcoming new staff to the VVPS team next year. Welcome to Miss Claudia Rodwell, Miss Abigail Monks and Mrs Chantel Raines, we look forward to having you join us next year.



2021 Classes

The first day of the next year (Friday, 29th January) will see students go into a holding pattern (with the same class as this year) as we finalise classes. We are hoping that all classes will be ready to go on Monday, however it is possible that we will also need that day to ensure that classes are correct. Staff are working hard to ensure all children are placed in classes that will best suit their academic, social and emotional needs.

Attendance

Although this year has been an incredibly unusual one with a break from normal school routines due to COVID, we have lots of students who I would like to recognise for 100% attendance for the entire year – what an effort! Well done Anastasia, Elise, Sienna, Lucas, Caleb K, Khiara, Billie, Samir, Ella B, Benjamin W, Mason, Oliver G, Heath, Zahlia, William K and Bentley.

2021 Starting Date

Staff return to school on Wednesday 27th and Thursday 28th January for School Development Days where staff will be participating in professional learning and mandatory training. **Years 1 – 6 students return to school on Friday, 29th January. Kindergarten students have scheduled Best Start assessments, with their first full day being Wednesday, 3rd February.**

COVID 2021 Guidelines

The Department of Education have sent out draft guidelines for school operations in Term 1. Once they have been finalised we will let you know. If this is in the holidays, please keep an eye out on our school Facebook page.

School Security

Over the holiday break it would be appreciated if you could keep an eye on the school and report any suspicious activity to School Security on **1300 880 021** or **Gosford Police Station on 4323 5599**.

Thank You

I'd like to conclude by thanking a few people for helping to make 2020 at Valley View PS a wonderful year.

First and foremost, I'd like to thank the staff, both teaching and non-teaching, who have shown themselves to be a wonderfully dedicated group of professionals whose care and compassion for our students throughout the craziness of this year has been outstanding. I have loved watching your enthusiasm and passion for ensuring the best outcomes for all of our students.

A huge thank you to the P&C who have done their very best whilst adhering to COVID restrictions. I know they had lots of fantastic plans quashed this year but they have been incredibly supportive and I look forward to continuing to build on our strong relationship next year.

To Bec and her merry band of helpers in the canteen – a huge thank you for providing this service to our community. It's always lovely to walk past and listen to the children ordering their food and being greeted with such joy and happiness!

A big thank you to the wonderful Valley View PS community for your warm welcome this year. I know it's been challenging with floods, fires and a world-wide pandemic to deal with but you've taken on-board all changes, restrictions and guidelines which has been so greatly appreciated.

And finally, to our amazing K-6 students. Your big smiles in the morning make my day and I will certainly miss them over the holidays. It's been remarkable watching the growth in resilience amongst all students and if we can take something from 2020, let that be it. I wish our Year 6 class of 2020 all the very best as they head off to high school and know that they will all do well in their chosen career paths.

Wishing you all a very Merry Christmas and wonderful 2021!

Kirsty Squires
Principal



Goodbye Eli—K-6G



YEAR 6 FAREWELL



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](#).

SCHOOL 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.

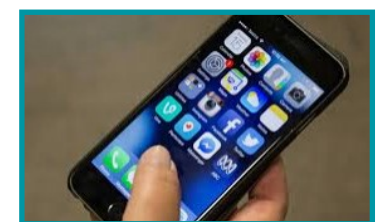


SMS SERVICE FOR ABSENCES

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

P&C NEWS

P&C Meetings

Our next P&C meeting will be held on Tuesday 9th February, 2021. The meeting will be held at the school, in person!! How great will this be to see some of our long time members & it's a really great opportunity to meet some new members.

Please note that in March 2021, our AGM will be held where there will be an opportunity to re-elect or elect the executive members of our P&C Committee (ie President, Fundraising Coordinator, Secretary etc). To be able to legally vote on the night, you will need to be a financial member. Membership is \$1 and payable in person at our first meeting for the year or on the night of AGM (March 2021), although, it is always best to get in quick!

P&C Fundraising - Cookbook

Our cookbooks have been delivered and don't they look amazing! If you would like a cookbook and haven't ordered one, please reach out to the P&C via our Facebook page and we will organise delivery upon payment.

Lost Property

Please arrange to collect any lost property by end of school on Wednesday 16th December.

Uniform Shop

The Uniform Shop will be open on the following days and times:

- ◆ **Wednesday 27th January (Staff Development Day) from 8.30am – 10.30am – 1.00pm – 3.00pm for orders to be collected or if your child needs to try on any items.**

- ◆ **Friday 29th January (First day of school for 2021).**

Please note that the P&C website will be accepting online orders for the Uniform Shop over the Christmas holidays. All orders will be ready for collection at the beginning of Term 1.

Please note there will be no classroom deliveries until Week 3 of Term 1. This is to ensure that all ordered items are delivered to your child's correct classrooms following class allocations for 2021.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish our school community, students and the school staff a wonderful Christmas break. Have a happy and safe holiday and we look forward to seeing you all and many new faces in 2021!

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 10

Wow!! What a year it has been!

Our last day for 2020 in the canteen is tomorrow – I just want to say a **HUGE** thank you for all the orders, smiles and volunteers in the canteen this year.



This year has been like no other. I thank you for your support.

We would like to wish the **YEAR 6 of 2020** good luck with your new adventures. It's been wonderful serving and getting to know you all over the last 7 years. We hope you enjoyed the cookies we provided on the Graduation night. We are also very grateful to the leaders who helped run Breakfast Club this year. It was great to have you in the canteen. Thank you.



The canteen **IS** open tomorrow for the **MEAL DEAL** menu. IF you haven't ordered please be aware there will be limited stock available.

Thank you and Merry Christmas!!

See you in 2021.

Rebecca Van Drempt
Canteen Supervisor
Bec 0438 283165

OSH CLUB

With 2020 coming to an end I would like to take this time to personally thank the Valley View families, staff, and community for an amazing first year.

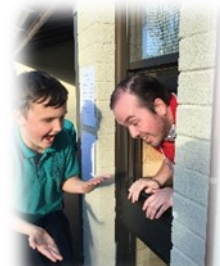
The team and I have been so welcomed into the community and the love and appreciation from the families over this time has been overwhelming. Here at OSHClub we pride ourselves on building relationships with families and the Valley View community had made this effortless.

Watching the children engage, interact, contribute, and build relationships while having loads of fun has been so wonderful and we cannot wait to see what 2021 holds.

We would like to take you back through our year with a snapshot of moments in time. We hope you enjoy these moments as much as the team has.

We would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy Holiday.

*See you next year,
Jill, Daniel & Paul*





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Join to learn more about your NDIS plan and the best way that you can manage it

This virtual plan-management expo gives you a unique opportunity to learn more about how you can manage your NDIS plan as well as find and connect with plan managers that suit your needs. This event will be on a Facebook platform, you can still join if you don't have an account.

Our Virtual Plan Management Expo will give you an opportunity to:

- Learn the options available to you when deciding how to manage your NDIS plan.
- Chat live with plan managers all over New South Wales to find out if their services meet your needs.
- Connect and engage with other members around plan-management experiences.
- Save NDIS resources from the group to make sure you are best prepared for your planning meetings and informed about the NDIS.

Join: <https://bit.ly/PlanManagementExpo>

When: Wednesday 16 December 2020, 10:00am – 2:00pm

<http://www.ndis.gov.au>

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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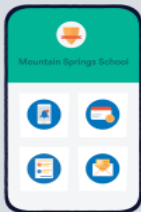
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Notes issued this fortnight:

Book Packs—Whole School

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