Principal’s Message

District Swimming Team.
Congratulations to those students who performed so well at the Zone swimming carnival at Mingara yesterday. There were some outstanding performances with standouts being Jack V and Luke M who will now go through to the Met North Carnival after winning a number of events yesterday. Well done to all students and thank you to Mr Toomey for your efforts with this team.

P&C Meeting
The monthly P&C meeting will be held tonight in the staff room. There were such pleasing numbers at the last meeting, with many new faces being there. I hope we can have the same turn out for this meeting. I very much look forward to working closely with the new executive and the P&C members throughout 2014. Please come along and join this great group.

Easter Hat Parade – 10 April
Easter is fast approaching and our Easter hat parade is to be held on the 10th April. This will see our students from Kindergarten to Year 2 parading on the oval and COLA in their finest Easter hats. Students will make an Easter hat from cardboard or paper or decorate an old hat to wear on the day. These will be made at school. Please set this date down as it will be a very ‘egg-citing’ event.

Easter Raffles – 9 April
The P&C are running another Easter raffle this year. Every student is asked to donate any Easter produce – eggs, bunnies, soft toys – as prizes for the raffle. These can be handed in anytime to the front office. All students have been given a book of tickets to sell, please assist your child with this. If you require further books please see the front office. The raffle will be drawn on the 9th April and all tickets, sold or unsold, must be back by the 9th April.

Day of Action Against Bullying and Violence Assembly – Wed 19 March
This annual day provides a focus for all schools to say Bullying. No Way! and to strengthen their existing everyday messages that bullying and violence at school are not ok at any time. We will be holding a whole school assembly on this theme at 9.30am on Wednesday the 19th March. Students will be involved in class activities leading into and out of this event and during the assembly they will participate in presentations and activities about this insidious problem in our society. Anti-bullying pledges will be made by the P&C President, the School captains and by me as the leader of the school staff. On returning home on that day your child will be asking you as a family to make and sign an anti-bullying pledge.

These pledges will be returned to school to be displayed in your child’s classroom. Please come along and join in this assembly – bullying and violence is a community problem and we need to join together as a community to deal with this issue.

Harmony Day – 21 March
Another assembly will be held at 9.30am on the 21st March to celebrate Harmony Day. Harmony Day is an Australian Government program and coincides with the United Nations International Day for the elimination of Racial Discrimination. The message of Harmony Day is Everyone Belongs. It is a day to celebrate Australia’s diversity. It is a day of cultural respect for everyone who calls Australia home – from the traditional owners of this land to those who have come from many countries around the world.
There are many ways we can celebrate Harmony Day – through sport, dance, art, film, music, storytelling, cooking and sharing cultural meals. By participating in Harmony Day activities we can learn and understand how all Australians from diverse backgrounds equally belong to this nation and make it a better place.
Students are being asked to wear the colour orange, being the traditional colour of harmony. You are cordially invited to join us for this occasion.

‘Till next edition

Graham Holmes
MEd Admin, B.Ed, Dip Teach
Grad Cert Public Sector Management
Principal

School Calendar

Term 1 2014

Week 7
Tuesday 11/3 Lisarow HS visit – Stage 3
P&C meeting - 7pm staffroom
Wednesday 12/3 Lisarow HS visit – Stage 3
Infants assembly
Thursday 13/3 Selective High School Placement Test

Week 8
Tuesday 18/3 Road Safety meeting – 3.30pm staffroom
Wednesday 19/3 Anti-bullying assembly – 9.30am
Stage 3 open classrooms – 9am
Friday 21/3 Harmony Day assembly – 9.30am
Southern/BW Open & U11 League Trials

Week 9
Tuesday 25/3 Band parent meeting - 7pm staffroom
Wednesday 26/3 LMG Student Leadership Conference
Primary assembly

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Notes you should have received this week:

- Lisarow HS science visit – Years 5 & 6
- Canteen Meal Deal – Whole school
- Disability Standard for Education – Whole school
- Easter Egg raffle note – Whole school

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

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Marco S, from 5/6D who received the Central Coast Select Properties weekly award for showing outstanding school pride.

THE NEW WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECK

With today’s newsletter we are also sending home an information sheet on how to apply for the new Working with Children Check. Anyone who wishes to volunteer at the school needs to have one of these.

2ND PARLIAMENT SESSION

On the second week of parliament there was a motion that room 22 and 23 have problems with the dripping pipes in front of the classrooms, to resolve it they wanted a water tank. We took it to the meeting and the staff said that we will get someone to attend the broken pipes. Another motion from 5/6M is we should fix the seats under the old COLA. We also took this to the meeting and Mr Holmes said the school is removing the seats anyway and getting new ones. Some of the defeated ones were getting shade cloths and covering up the grass patches on the oval.

BAND MEETING

There will be a band meeting for all parents of training band and concert band children on Tuesday 25th March at 7pm in the staffroom.

CANTEEN NEWS

EOI

We are looking for Expressions of Interest for a canteen position (3 hours on a Friday). Please contact the office from Wednesday 5th March for more information.

NEW MENU

Starts this week!

MEAL DEAL

Taste of Asia Meal Deal next Wednesday 19th March. Please return your money ($5.50) by lunch time on Friday 14th March.

ROAD SAFETY ACTION GROUP

Last year several parents expressed their concerns regarding the frustrating traffic situation around our school before and after school. In response we held a forum to gain parental feedback and invited the Road Safety Officers from both Gosford City Council and DEC to consult with us. The job has begun but is far from complete. To this end I am keen to continue the project of making our school streets safer for our kids.

If you are interested in being a part of our parent Road Safety Action Group you are invited to come along next Tuesday afternoon 18th March at 3.30pm in our staffroom. All welcome! Please RSVP by returning the slip in this newsletter to the front office.

Mrs Morrow,

I will be attending the Parent Road Safety Action Group meeting at 3.30pm next Tuesday 18th March.

My name is:

CLASSROOM CONNECTORS

If you have volunteered as a Classroom Connector you should have received a green note from Mrs Morrow. Please return the RSVP slip as soon as possible to the office.

MOSQUITOES

Due to the wet, humid weather we have been having there are a lot of mosquitoes around the school. Please spray your children with Aeroguard before they go to school.

Unfortunately the only relief for itchy bites at school is an ice pack due to health and safety regulations.

MATHLETICS

The yearly fee is due for Mathletics. It is $10 per child. This will enable your child to access Mathletics both at school and at home. Payments can be given to your child’s classroom teacher in a clearly labelled envelope.

UNIFORM SHOP

Opening Hours for 2014

Tuesdays 8.30-9.30am

Or contact Lisa at uniformsvwp@ihoaill.com to make an appointment.

Order forms are available at the front office and on the VVPS website.
P & C NEWS

As you are all aware (hopefully) our annual Easter raffle has started. Please keep the donations of Easter eggs, bunnies, baskets and trinkets coming in to make this the biggest and best year ever! Remember the class that donates the most wins a party! Donations and sold raffle tickets can be given to the classroom teacher or the front office. If you require additional raffle tickets please let us know via email secretaryvvpcc@hotmail.com.

Thank you to everyone who has already donated honey, jam, vegemite and cheese spread to the Breakfast Club. We have been pleasantly surprised with the amount donated so far (given it was only announced last week!), however more is needed and greatly appreciated.

Upcoming events:

- A weekly planning meeting is held every Monday in the planning room (next to sick bay) in the office at 1:30pm. All welcome.
- Monthly P & C meeting will be held on Tuesday 11th March (Tonight!) at 7pm in the staff room. We will be discussing ideas for the annual school event. Please join us or email your ideas if you are unable to attend via secretaryvvpcc@hotmail.com.
- Easter raffle helpers will be needed on Tuesday, 8th April to assist with basket preparation and decoration. More information will be provided closer to the date.

Please ‘like’ our Facebook page Valley View P&C Association to be kept up to date with our school and upcoming events. I look forward to seeing many new faces at our monthly meeting! Please contact me if you have any concerns or fundraising ideas the P & C can assist with, we are here to support you. My email is presidentvvpcc@hotmail.com or mobile 0426 212 766.

Have a fantastic and mosquito bite free week!

Trish Clark
P & C President

HOT TIPS FOR PARENTS/CARERS

2014 homework planner

The best homework help you can give your child is to teach them to be organised. Print out the 2014 homework and study calendar, which includes key dates and school holidays. Stick them on the fridge and above their desk.


Maths A to Z

Brush up on some of the maths terms your child uses in the classroom. The Maths A to Z glossary provides straightforward explanations and illustrated examples.

Find out more: http://www.schooaloaz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/math/to-a-z

Great books for tweens to read

Favourite books from the Premier’s Reading Challenge team that will inspire kids aged between nine and 13 to read read read!


Science assignment starters

Not sure where to go to help your child find out about electricity, natural disasters, the solar system or other science projects? Have a look at our project starters.


COMMUNITY NEWS

ROCK POOL RAMBLES

Ocean & Coastal Care Initiatives will again be running free Rock Pool Rambles during the April school holidays for kids aged 8 years and over. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Bookings are essential.

Monday 14th April Norah Head
Thursday 17th April Tooowoong Bay
Thursday 24th April Terrigal Haven
Sunday 27th April Terrigal Haven

BOOKINGS: please phone OCCI on 0450 990 995

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** Please contact the School Office on 02 4328 4433 if unable to attend the on the above days.

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### Class Awards Term 1 – Week 6 - 2014

Congratulations to our award recipients.

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### School Pride

Have You Got it!