PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE

2014 Schedule of Events
To make life easier for families we have developed a schedule of all the main events that will happen in the school this year. We have attempted to include accurate information about dates and approximate costs as we know them at this time. The schedule includes the key excursion and incursion activities, P&C activities, as well as the usual events conducted by the school. Hopefully this schedule will assist families in planning their time and finances across the school year. Please detach the schedule and put it somewhere it can be referred to throughout the year.

Year 7 2015 Parent Information Session
As previously advertised Lisarow and Narara Valley High School will be holding a parent information session here in our school hall this evening. It commences at 5.30pm and should only run for an hour. Mr Michael Smith and Mr Anthony Angel, Principals of Narara Valley and Lisarow High Schools respectively will be co-presenting this session. All parents of the current Year 6 group are urged to attend.

Classroom Connector Program
Thank you so much to those parents who have volunteered to become the connector for their child’s class this year. So far we have ten parents who have volunteered to take on this role. As we conduct 18 classes we are still looking for parents to put their hand up to be a classroom connector. The role will not require a lot of effort but will help to improve communication between the class and home. The classes that are still looking for people will send a request home soon. If you have any questions please do not hesitate contacting Ms Karen Morrow, our Community Connector.

Exciting News
The Valley View Public School ‘App’ will be available from the Apple App Store and the Google Play Store very soon. This ‘App’ will provide you with a whole range of information about the school as well as receiving instantaneous news through push notifications. I sincerely thank our school P&C for the funds they have provided to develop and implement this new service. I will let you know as soon as it is available.

Foyer Upgrade
The upgrade of the school foyer continues and you will notice that new furniture and displays are starting to appear. It certainly is starting to present as a new face for our school and one I believe we will be extremely proud of. You will notice the construction of a new door leading to the staff room. The reason for installing the door has to do with Workplace Health and Safety regulations as it will increase safety for staff in the event of a lock down or an imminent risk to this area of the school. We can look forward to seeing the ongoing improvement of this space.

Loudfest 2014
Please note that the Loudfest activity held over the last two years will NOT be held in 2014. The P&C have decided to conduct a different activity this year such as a school fete but may consider running Loudfest again in coming years.

P&C Meeting
The P&C will be holding their next meeting on Tuesday 11th March in the staff room. Please try to come along.

Student Bookpacks
It will be expected that all students have now purchased the book pack. If for some reason your child has not done so would you immediately contact the school to discuss. Financial assistance may be available to eligible families if this is a factor. All payments for the book pack must be finalised this week. I ask that you attend to this matter urgently.

* Till next edition

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

SCHOOL CALENDAR

TERM 1 2014

Week 6
Tuesday 4/3  NVHS/LHS Information meeting 5.30pm
Wednesday 5/3 Primary assembly
Thursday 6/3 Road Safety Committee meeting 4.30pm

Week 7
Monday 10/3 BWPSA Zone Swimming Carnival
Uniform Committee meeting - 9am
Tuesday 11/3 P&C meeting - 7pm staffroom
Wednesday 12/3 Infants assembly
Thursday 13/3 Selective High School Placement Test

Week 8
Wednesday Anti-bullying assembly – 9.30am
Friday 21/3 Harmony Day assembly – 9.30am
Southern/BW Open & U11 League Trials

Week 9
Tuesday 25/3 Band parent meeting - 7pm staffroom
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 Jacqi at uniformsvvpc@hotmail.com or 0415 993 822 to make an appointment.
Order forms are available at the front office and on the VVPS website.

Uniform Committee Meeting
Monday 10th March - 9.00am in the planning room.
All welcome.

P & C NEWS
Wow! What an exciting second half of Term 1 is approaching. Firstly I would like to thank all the lovely ladies who came and helped prepare for the Easter raffle on Friday. Yes it was tedious and lengthy but we made it through! Thank you again. The next round of Easter basket preparation will be held on Tuesday, 8th April. Further information will be provided as we approach the raffle.

The upcoming events for Term 1 are:
- Easier raffle – raffle tickets will be distributed this week to the children and donations of Easter eggs/bunnies/trinkets/baskets will be greatly appreciated. Donations can be handed directly to their classroom teacher. There will be a party for the class who donates the most!
- Breakfast club jar can drive commences this week. We are looking for vegemite, cheese spread, jam and honey. Please no milo. These can be dropped either directly to breakfast club, classroom teacher or the front office. This annual drive often provides an entire year of supplies for this wonderful service!

We are still seeking a replacement coordinator for the Uniform shop. Anyone interested please contact me via email presidentvvpc@hotmail.com

Upcoming meetings:
- Weekly P & C planning meeting is on Monday’s @ 1.30pm in the planning room.
- Uniform committee on Monday @ 9am in the planning room.
- Monthly P & C meeting @ 7pm 11th of March in the staff room.

All are welcome in the meetings and we appreciate anyone that will be able to attend.
Please “Like” our Facebook page “Valley View Public School P&C Association” to be kept up to date.
If you have any questions or fundraising ideas please contact me on 0425 212 766 or via email presidentvvpc@hotmail.com, regards,

Trish Clark
P & C President

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Notes you should have received this week:
Mathletics – Whole school
Harmony Day – Whole school
Year 7, 2015 enrolment information – Year 6

All notes are now on the school website at Valleyview-p.schoools.nsw.edu.au

DRIVEWAYS
Parents are reminded not to drive up our driveways to drop off their children. This is for the safety of all students. The school does not enjoy the luxury of driveways free from pedestrian traffic.

CONGRATULATIONS
Congratulations to Keau I. from 2D who received the Central Coast Select Properties weekly award for showing outstanding school pride.

YEAR 7 2015 INFO MEETING
This afternoon two of our feeder schools, Lisarow High School and Narara Valley High School will be presenting information about their programs for Year 7 2015 at 5.30pm in our school hall.

ROAD SAFETY PARENT ACTION COMMITTEE
To address the road safety/traffic issues which affect our immediate school surrounds I am interested in forming a Road Safety Parent ‘Action’ Committee to work on a proposal to be put to Council and also to look at other strategies to improve the safety of our students around the school.
The first meeting of this group will be held this Thursday 6th March at 4.30pm in the staffroom.
Karen Morrow
Community Connector

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
A copy of the new canteen menu will be going home today. It begins next week.
2014 Easter Raffle

Yes folks! It's that time of year, where we ask our wonderful families to donate Easter eggs all sizes, trinkets, or even gift vouchers & baskets for Valley View's annual Easter raffle. There will be a party for the class that brings in the most donations!

When
From Monday 4th March 2014, bring along donations to school and give them to your class teacher. Last date for donations Tuesday 8th April 2014 by 9am.

Raffle Draw
During the afternoon on Wednesday 9th April 2014. The children will bring home their prizes home that afternoon.

Want to Help
Please come and join in to help makeup & wrap baskets in the school hall from 9am on Tuesday 8th April 2014.

Morning tea will be provided for helpers.

Registration is as easy as accessing our secure site at www.campaustralia.com.au and following the links to the parent portal.

From here you can manage your account 24/7
- make/cancel a booking
- update payment options
- view historical statements
- make bookings for our holiday club (held at our Ourimbah service)

To register your child/family is free!

You may also be eligible for government rebates, which could reduce your fees to as little as $3.12 per session. For further information please contact the FAO to find out if you qualify. If you would like any further information, feel free to pop in and see us in room 5 during our operating times, or call us on the number provided above.

Thank you
Kathleen Jackson
Coordinator

Questions & help advice
Contact the P&C at secretaryvpc@hotmail.com or the coordinator on 0407 779 182

CAMP AUSTRALIA – BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE

Coordinator – Kathleen Jackson
Mobile – 0411 298277
Hours of Operation:
Before School Care – 6.30am – 9.00am
After School Care – 3.00pm – 6.30pm

Permanent and casual booking options available.
Camp Australia is excited to be partnering with Valley View Public School for another year.
Our programs combine active games with both structured and unstructured play, craft activities and quiet time.
We will also support families with assisting children with home work at your request. We provide breakfast and a healthy afternoon snack too.

COMMUNITY NEWS

OURIMBAH RAZORBACKS RUGBY UNION
Razorbacks Rugby Club prides itself on being a family club that caters for all ages from Under 7s upwards.
Players from Under 7s to Under 13s are invited to make new friends and have fun in a safe and family-friendly environment from our home turf in Ourimbah.
Registration Fees: 7ths $30, 9/10s $50, 11+ $115 INCLUDES shorts, socks, shirt & backpack plus reductions for second and consecutive children.

REGISTRATION DATES:
7th March, Lisarow Primary School, Twilight Markets, 4.30 - 7.30pm
9th March, Razorbacks Rugby Club, 10 Chittaway Rd, Ourimbah, 10am onwards
Dates: Week commencing 10th March - late August.

NEED MORE INFO:
Don’t hesitate to call John on 0402 022 512
Website: www.razorbacks.com.au

VOLUNTEER CANTEEN ROSTER, TERM 1

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Email address: valleyview-pschool@det.nsw.edu.au
# Class Awards Term 1 – Week 5 - 2014

Congratulations to our award recipients.

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School Pride
Have You Got it!
5/6T SPORTS CLASS EXCURSION TO ERINA ICE WORLD.

Our class have been following the 2014 Sochi Winter Olympics. Some of the performances of the athletes have been amazing. They make it look so easy.

So last Friday, our class went to Erina Ice World and tried out the sport of ice skating. At the Olympics the following sports are performed on the ice rink: figure skating, speed skating, free style skating, pair skating, ice hockey and curling.

After the experience we certainly appreciate the skill that the Olympians possess.

Here are some of our thoughts:

Caitlin: “It was a very good experience to see what the professionals have to do in practice every day. It was fun lots of people fell over and I did too, but we loved the experience. And hope to go again.” Thanks Mr Toomey.

Jordan: “I thought it was fun. I thought I was the fastest on the ice but Megan, Sam and I were fast too but I was faster than Megan because me and her raced and I won. We get to see how hard it was to skate and practice every day for the athletes it was tough a lot of our class fell over and I thought I was at the circus. I had to help Jason to skate by holding his hand. THANK YOU MR TOOMEY.”

Ethan: “I believed ice skating was going to be painful and fun. After it, I was right with my backside was sore from landing on the ice. At the end I got the hang of it!”

Joshua: “I skated really well even though Mr T I thought I was in slow motion. My hands were freezing and I tried to keep them warm by holding them under my armpits.”

Drew: “It was fun and it looked a lot harder than it was. Thank you Mr Toomey.”

Ryan: “It was fun and I want to go back for my birthday. I fell over heaps of times. I have plenty of bruises especially two big ones on my knee.”

Megan: “I thought it was really fun I learnt that I was the fastest skater in year 6 we raced had a good time laughed mostly all the time we were there so it was fantastic.”

Sally: “I thought ice skating was a blast it was fun as always. I thought it was very inspiring for the kids who haven’t been ice skating I didn’t really learn that much because I’ve been skating around 6 times but it was still very fun.”

Jake: “I had lots of fun at ice skating I thought I was going to slip over all the time but I didn’t slip all the time I only slipped 2 times. The ice was slippery at first but when you get the hang of it you can get off the wall and step or glide. I had a lot of fun at ice skating. Thank you Mr Toomey.”

Luke: “The fastest I still had lots of fun, I was a bit disappointed that Mr Toomey didn’t come on with us but he said “his back was sore” I think he was just trying to get out of it. I would just like to thank Mr Toomey for taking us on this excursion.”

Max: “It was fun, best excursion yet, I like ice skating. It’s fun and I didn’t fall over because I’m boss on ice. THANKS MR TOOMEY.”

Jason: “It was good. I liked it and I want to go there again. I thought I would have fallen over much more than I did.”

Future winter Olympians practising their ice skating.

Thank you to all the parents who helped with transportation for the class to Erina and a couple of brave mums who skated with the kids. As you can see from the comments the students enjoyed their trip and certainly improved their skills on the ice.

Mr Toomey

P.S The real reason I didn’t skate was that I have been around since the last Ice Age and I know things haven’t changed much. Ice is still really hard, wet and cold when you fall on it.
Wednesday 5 and Thursday 6 March
9am-5.30pm
Friday 7 March
9am-1pm
Scholastic Warehouse, Gates 3, Building 2, Railway Cres, Lisarow

Big Book Sale
50-90% off everything!

Hunter Animal Rescue
8th Annual 10am Pets Picnic
16.03.14 - Speers Point Park

Welcome (on leads)
Discounted engraved ID Tags
Entertainment for kids
Free Family Event / Fun For All Ages

BBQ
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Is your child at risk of permanent spine and nerve damage because of an incorrectly packed and fitted school back pack?

A poorly fitted and heavy school bag can cause spinal curvature, poor posture as well as neck, shoulder, arm and leg pains. Spinal curvature interferes with the brain and nerves and can cause functional problems such as bedwetting and bowel issues in children.

School children are often carrying almost double the maximum recommended weight in their school bags.