**Principal’s Message**

**Principal’s Q and A**
Thank you to the small yet extremely welcome group of parents who attended the Principal’s Q and A session on Thursday. It was wonderful to be able to outline the vision of the school and get some feedback as to why we are heading in a certain direction. The feedback from the group was extremely positive and there were some great suggestions about how we can communicate and put the priorities of our children first. The next Principal’s forum is on Thursday, September 8. We are looking at running a dinner forum. More details will follow.

**Herbs and Vegetables Fundraiser**
So far we have had an excellent response to our Herb and Vegetable Fundraiser. This is our major fundraiser for the year. Currently we have raised over $3000 in the first two weeks. Please continue to promote this fundraising. Remember that you only need to find 10 people to sell to at $6 a plant. **Please return any unsold packs asap, other people have asked for extras.**

**Central Coast Public Speaking**
Well done to Valley View students who competed at the Central Coast Public Speaking finals. Valley View as a school did extremely well with three Highly Commanded. Congratulations to all of the school representatives and especially Marco S 5/6D, Jack Vaughan 3/4S and Ruby G Kindy, for achieving great results.

**Book Week**
This week is Book Week at Valley View. Mrs Mountfort has worked extremely hard to ensure activities run smoothly. A quick rundown of activities is as follows:

**Visiting Author (Tuesday)**
Karen Woods is this year’s visiting author, she will be speaking to the students on Tuesday about her series of books and how she became an author.

**Book Week Parade (Wednesday)**
The Book Week Parade is on the Wednesday beginning at 10:30 am. This has been a highlight of our school calendar for many years. All students, teachers and some parents spend time planning various costumes to celebrate a love of books. We wonder what amazing characters we will see this year.

**Showcase**
Valley View Public School has a number of groups and soloists performing at Showcase this week. Showcase highlights the performing arts talents of students in Public Schools across the Central Coast. Tickets can be bought from Laycock Street Theatre. This is the link to the newspaper article featuring Valley View students: [http://newslocal.newspaperdirect.com/epaper/viewer.aspx](http://newslocal.newspaperdirect.com/epaper/viewer.aspx)

**Spelling Bee Final**
These will be run on Thursday. Please see Mrs Mountfort if you need to access the competition lists. Good luck to our students.

**Zone Athletics**
Zone athletics is on Thursday. Mr Toomey recently finished the high jump and all students should have their information letter to the event. Ms Stone and Mrs Byrnes will be taking the team away.

**Change of School Development Day Term 4 2014**
This notice is to inform you of the intention to vary one of the school development days scheduled for Friday 19th December, 2014 and move it forward to Saturday 23rd August, 2014. This will allow our staff to access professional development in the area of Focus on Reading. This training aligns closely with school priorities as outlined in our current school management plan. This change should cause no impact to you or your children, as students are not required to attend school on school development days. However, if there is an issue with this change you please contact me immediately at the school on 4328 4433 to discuss.

**Ninja Warrior**
Mrs Joester our Student Engagement Officer has begun an obstacle course competition at Lunch time. This is to promote fitness, achieving personal best and engaging the Stage 1 and 2 students in our school. So far we have had two champions for Valley View Ninja Warrior. Tomm T and Jeremy H both in 4H. Congratulations to them on their efforts.

**Appeal for Harrison**
Room 15 at Glenvale School, Narara, is a delightful, happy classroom of little boys who are learning to talk, to read, to play, to count - all the things that little boys need to learn. It is a noisy, happy room of little ones who love learning. Harrison, in Room 15, has very little sight. For some time now the family has known that he will lose his sight completely. Recently a tumour has been found behind his ‘bad’ eye and it is now affecting his ‘good’ eye. It will have to be removed this year. Regardless of whether or not the tumour is benign, Harrison is expected to be blind when he wakes from the surgery. At school, Harrison is learning to use all of his other senses to assist in his preparation for when he must rely on these, but he does not know and would not understand what is happening. His family is doing everything they can to provide him with
experiences that he can share with his family and, in doing so, keep those visual memories alive for him in the future. Just like many children, a dream is for Harrison to go, just once, to somewhere very special like Disneyland. Harrison’s family is not wealthy and do not have the resources to take him overseas so some extended family members are making enormous sacrifices so that Harrison can have a trip in an aeroplane and go to Disneyland before he has the surgery later in the year that will take the last of his sight. Staff wish to help Harrison to have this holiday this year before it is too late. We are appealing, with Harrison’s mum’s permission, to our whole school community to help this happen.

If you have the means to do so, we would be very grateful if you could make a donation towards Harrison’s costs. Donations can be sent into school or deposited into our account BSB: 032 001 Account No: 145072 Ref: Harrison.

Dave Stitt  
Rel. Principal

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## SCHOOL CALENDAR

**TERM 3**

### Week 6
- **Wednesday 20/8**: Book Week Parade
- **Thursday 21/8**: Whole School Assembly
- **Friday 22/8**: BWPSSA Zone Athletics Carnival

### Week 7
- **Tuesday 26/8**: Cares Bicycle Excursion 5/6T
- **Wednesday 27/8**: Newcastle Permanent Maths Comp Primary Assembly
- **Friday 29/8**: P&C Mufti Day – Tombola
- **Sunday 31/8**: Valley View Public School Fete

### Week 8
- **Wednesday 3/9**: Infants Assembly
- **Thursday 4/9**: Teddy Bears Picnic Kindy 2014/15
- **Friday 5/9**: Father’s Day Stall

**Notes you should have received this week:**
- Year 6 Ethics – Year 6
- Meal Deal 20/8/14 – Whole School

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

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## KINDERGARTEN 2015 ENROLMENTS

If you have not already contacted the school in relation to your child’s enrolment for 2015, or if you know of anyone who is interested in sending their child to Valley View, could you please contact our Kindergarten Enrolments Officer, Carol Murch.

## RELAY FOR LIFE

Valley Public School Teachers have entered a team for Relay for Life 2014 at Mingara on Saturday 11th October at 3pm till 10am on Sunday 12th October.

We are looking for community support for this important fundraiser. You can donate online at http://www.relayforlife.org.au/learn/

Go to - donate

Search for valley view primary

Tax deductible donations can be sent to the school office, we also have some raffle tickets to sell. Watch out for further news in the weeks ahead.

We are very excited to be able to support this very important cause which has touched our school over the past couple of years.

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The uniform shop is in need of new volunteers. Most of the current volunteers have children in Year 6 and will leave the school at end of year.

If you would like to volunteer you need to be available Tuesday morning from 8.30 - 9.30 and have completed a working with children check.

If you are interested please contact Lisa via front office or at uniformavpc@hotmail.com. Thank you.

## FUN FRIDAYS

On Friday the 8th of August we started our Fun Fridays in the hall. It was run by three year six girls, Takayla Calthorpe, Teagahn Shannon and Morgan McElhone. They ran a dance workshop. They did some dancing and we raised $70, all from $1 coin donations. This is almost an entire month’s wage for Laxmi, the librarian at our sister school in Nepal.

Thanks to everyone who came, especially the parent from KT who paid for the entire class!

Marco Scurri  
Minister for Functions

## ATTENTION ALL BAND PARENTS

Please come along to a brief band meeting for all parents on Tuesday evening 26th August at 7pm in the staffroom. Open discussion and planning for the rest of 2014 on agenda.
CLASSROOM CONNECTOR PROGRAM
Our Classroom Connector program seems to be going along really well with many positive comments regarding communication being enhanced. If you are not getting text or email messages frequently from your class connector and would like to be kept in the loop about all things pertaining to your class then please fill in the slip attached with your details and we will add you to the list!!

Please cutout and return to school

Child’s name: ........................................
Parent’s name: ....................................
Class(es): ...........................................
Email: ..................................................
Mobile number: ....................................

BUNNINGS
Family Fun Night
Thursday 4th September 6:00pm – 8:00pm
Crocodile encounters, live reptile and marsupial handling in store
Make a gift for dad
Free wood fired pizzas
Live music
Fun and games/giveaways all night
Jumping castle

FATHER’S DAY CELEBRATION
Saturday 6th September – From 10:00am West Gosford
Old Skool Muscle car club – 10-15 classic cars will be displayed in the car park
Mini jeep rides for the kids
Jumping castle
DIY make a gift for dad with free giveaways for every child who attends – win a gift card for dad!
Father child games fastest father and child to assemble a BBQ wins the BBQ. Fastest father and child to assemble a wheelbarrow win the wheelbarrow.
Face painting, balloons and lollies all day!

SPORTS NEWS
Boys Touch Football Report
VVPS boys touch football teams played in a round robin gala day at Sohier Park, Ourimbah on Tuesday 12th August.
Our first game was against Narara Public School which we won 8-0. Our second game was an intense game against Kariong PS which we managed to win in the last 30 seconds – score 7-6. In the final we played Lisarow PS and beat them 8-4. - By Luke and Cooper

- Luke - great in attack and defence and lead the team well. Scored 9 tries.
- Cooper- was a great attacker and defender, he is very selfless with setting up tries.
- Ronan: was a great hooker with passing the ball out wide setting up tries.
- Eli: was great at attacker defending, Eli was very quick which helped him score tries.
- Ivan: was a great driver and he made lots of metres running which was great.
- David:also was a great hooker and filled the roll for Ronan, also very selfless.
- Finn: was a great player, he also was very selfless with setting up his wingers.
- Jheric: was a great player with taking lots of intercepts.
- Jeremy: being the youngest in the team he was a player scoring 4 tries.
- Andre: was terrific in defence and read the play very well.

Barbarians
VVPS also sent some girls and boy players for a combined Barbarians team to play in the Gala Day. Karissa Bailey and Jasmins Mitchll in the girls and Marco Scori and Jordan Ellerson in the boys – these players did VVPS proud with their willingness to play competitively in an unknown team.

Girls Touch Football Report
VVPS girls touch football teams played in a round robin gala day at Sohier Park, Ourimbah on Tuesday 12th August.
Our first game was against Narara Public School which we won 3-0. Our second game was an intense game against Kariong PS which we just lost 2-1. Our 3rd game was against Holgate which we won 2-0. Our team got better and better as we played more games together. By Taleah

- Taleah- good runner and also scored.
- Olivia: was good at passing and also scored.
- Caitlan: the speedster, was good at catching the ball.
- Takayla: was good at passing the ball.
- Peggy: was good at running straight.
- Kayla: was good at running and also scored.
- Teaghan: was good a good defender.
- Amelia: was good at passing the ball.
- Amy: was good at catching.

Phil Toomey
Sports Organiser.
LIBRARY NEWS

Spelling Bee Finals
Congratulations to the following students who have made it to the school Spelling Bee Finals:

Stage 2
Charlotte Hodge
Matthew LeMaistre
Abbey Sawaiy
Brianna Gadby
Sharlah Pora

Stage 3
Saif Mohamadi
Drew James
William Gibson
Tori Campbell
Deanna Borg

The finals will be held in the school hall this Thursday 21st August at 9am. Parents of finalists are welcome.

Book Parade
Don’t forget to send children in costumes for tomorrow’s Book Parade which will begin at 10.30 on the oval. Parents can view the parade from the hill near the fixed equipment and return to class with their children for lunch.

Remember that costumes need to be appropriate. Please remember not to send your child in a singlet top as this is a sun safety issue and that fully enclosed shoes must be worn. School hats will also be needed during lunch and afternoon tea.

The theme for Book Week is ‘Connect to Reading’ so make sure there is a clear link between costumes and a book/character.

Kimberley Mountford
Rel. Teacher Librarian

P & C NEWS

Only two weeks to go until the fete! Wow, this has come around quickly. Thank you to everyone who has offered their time to assist at the fete, we greatly appreciate it. We will produce a roster and post this in the front office by Wednesday, 27th August. We will also contact you via email. We definitely do need more volunteers so please return the orange form to the class teachers, even just one hour of your time would be appreciated. Let’s make this fete great to help us fund the new playground in front of the uniform shop!

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Mufti day Friday, 29th August – no theme, just sun smart clothes. We will be seeking donations of paint brushes, temporary tattoos, hair colour sprays, face paint or a gold coin donation. All of these items will be used at the plaster painting stall and the crazy hair salon stall at the fete.
- Weekly planning meeting Friday from 9:30am in the apney named planning room in the front office.
- White elephant stall collection will be each Friday from 8:50am in front of the uniform shop. Thank you to everyone who has already donated, we have received some amazing items!
- Community fete 31st August, 10am to 2pm
- Fete volunteer sign-up sheet is now located in the front office. Thank you to everyone who has nominated already, but we definitely need many more!
- Stalls have now been finalised for the fete. Thank you to everyone for their support.
- Bake sale donation. Students will be provided with a cake box and resealable bag from Wednesday, 27th August. This is for our bake sale at the fete. We will be collecting baked goods on Saturday, 30th August in the hall from 2pm – 5pm and on Sunday 31st at the fete. Please remember to list the ingredients with the baked goods.
- Fathers’ day stall will be held on Friday, 5th September.

Remember to ‘like’ our Facebook pages (Valley View Public School P & C Association and Valley View Public School Community Fete) for all the current information.

Have a fabulous week 6! Trish Clark, President (0426 212 766)

IMPETIGO (SCHOOL SORES)

We have had a suspected case of school sores in the school. The following is the lastest information from the department of health:-

Time from exposure: 1 to 3 days
Symptoms: small red spots change into blisters that full up and pus and become crusted; usually on the face, hands or scalp. Do I need to keep my child home? Yes, until antibiotic treatment starts. Sores should be covered with water tight dressings.
How can I prevent spread: Careful hand washing

BASEBALL REGISTRATION

Adcock Park near canteen
Thursday 21st August and 4th September
5:00pm-6:30pm
For information call Kate Frost 0416 177 016

Trish Clark
P & C President (0426 212 766)
Valley View Students Emma Booth and Emily Stone feature in Express Advocate’s Showcase article.

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Congratulations to our award recipients.

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**RESPECT**

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Valley View Public School

COMMUNITY FETE UPDATE

2 WEEKS TO GO!

Our community fete is on Sunday, 31st August from 10am to 2pm. This fete is a little different and we have made every endeavour to make it affordable. All school operated stalls have a maximum price of $5, so if you want a fun filled family friendly day without the huge price tag, come join us!!

MUFTI DAY FRIDAY, 29TH AUGUST – no theme, just sun smart clothes!

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Hopefully everyone received the bright orange note last week advising parents of each stage of their stall. This will outline the specific needs and will be asking for volunteers to assist with operation/preparation of the stall on the day of the fete. If you are able to help, please return the form as soon as possible to your class teacher.

Reminder ......

As an added incentive, the class that donates the most in all three events (both mufti days and the bake sale) will win a class party at the end of Term 3! It’s a close one between three classes from the donations for the tombola stall. Thank you to everyone who donated prizes!!

Thank you and we hope to see at our fete!
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SUNDAY 14 SEPTEMBER

Davistown to Kincumber

11am Start at Davistown Ferry Wharf, 6km waterfront pathway walk to Kincumber and return

Register Today!

Family & Friends Welcome!

For more information:
Margaret Sheridan - 0416 013 388
e-mail margaretsher@gmail.com

Arrive by ferry, bus or car to Davistown Waterfront

Dogs permitted along the walk route. Pram and wheelchair friendly.
Join us at Davistown waterfront after the walk for a BBQ, face painting and loads more fun!