



# Valley Views

**FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK – DAVID JENES**

*School Council President – Pariece Nelligan*

### Family BBQ & Community Night

We have scheduled the annual family BBQ/picnic for Thursday 28 November. The start time will be from 5pm with sausages being served from about 5:30pm. Please bookmark this in your calendar and hope to see you there.

### Specialists for 2025

Next year, we will be changing the timetable to accommodate a 5<sup>th</sup> Specialist teacher. We will be introducing STEM for Prep to Year 6 and the dedicated space will be the old Prep Rooms. This will give our students the opportunity of engaging in hands on lessons in Coding, Robotics, Design Technology, Science and more.

Our specialist program in 2025 will have Performing Arts, Physical Education, LOTE, Visual Art and STEM. The timetable will look a little different to this year:

9-11am Learning Time

11-11:30 Recess

11:30-1:10 Learning Time

1:10-1:20 Eating time in classroom

1:20-2:10 Outside Play

2:10-3:30 Learning Time

### Our class structure for 2025

Each year we take into consideration a number of factors when determining our class structure. This includes staffing budget, number of students at each year level, spaces available etc. Next year we will have the following classes:

Two Prep classes

One Year 1 class

Two Year 2 classes

One Year 3 class

One Year 3/4 class

2 Year 4 classes

2 Year 5 classes

2 Year 6 classes

### Leadership Visit

Keith Wolohan MP visited the Year 5 students to talk about Leadership. He was very informative and they enjoyed hearing what he had to say. He spoke about his journey to leadership and gave advice on leadership qualities and public speaking. He also encouraged them to put their fears aside and put themselves forward for leadership positions at our school.

## Calendar

### November

11/11	Remembrance Day No assembly
11-13/11	Yr 5/6 Camp
13 - 14/11	Yr 3 Hip Hop Dancing
14/11	2025 Prep Orientation 9:30am
18/11	Curriculum Day School Council 6:30pm
21/11	2025 Prep Orientation 9:30am Yr 5 Incursion
28/11	2025 Prep Orientation 9:30am BBQ & Community Night 5-7pm

### December

2/12	School Swimming Trials for 2025 school team (Yr 2-5)
4/12	Yr 4 Robotics Incursion
5/12	2025 Prep Orientation 9:30am
9/12	No Assembly
10/12	Yr 6-7 Transition Day Parent Helpers Morning Tea
11/12	Yr 6 Graduation
16/12	Assembly
17/12	Transition Day for students currently in Prep-Year 5
20/12	Final Assembly 12:30pm Students finish at 1:30pm

### 2024 Term Dates

7 October to 20 December

### 2025 Term Dates

29 January to 4 April

22 April to 4 July

21 July to 19 September

6 October to 19 December



## ICAS Results

ICAS is an optional competition which students self-nominate to participate. It is academically challenging, designed to extend students beyond the curriculum. It tests their ability to analyse and solve complex problems using their creativity, imagination and current knowledge in new contexts.

The following awards are given to students who achieve above the top 50% of participants.

High Distinction Certificate– awarded to the top 1% of participants.

Distinction Certificate– awarded to the next 10% of participants.

Credit Certificate– awarded to the next 25% of participants.

Merit Certificate– awarded to the next 10% of participants.

On Monday 26th October all students who participated in ICAS were presented with their certificates. The following students are to be commended on achieving outstanding results in the following subject areas:

	<i>Merit</i>	<i>Credit</i>	<i>Distinction</i>
Mathematics	Harvey T Kaelan T Ethan L	Rayan S Jayden C Elijah H Sean R Leith C James K	Hayden L
English		Sophie T Rainie C Elijah H Leith C Esme F Harrison L Ayan S	Jayden C Hayden L Kaelan T
Writing	Amelia S Filisia K Ethan L	Rainie C Ilai Z Paxon D Esme F Lachlan M Ayan S	
Spelling Bee		Rainie C Paxon D Olivia B Hayden L Ayan S Adelaide J Isabella T	Sophie T Harrison L Kenji C
Science		Leith C Hayden L Harrison L Kaelan T	
Digital Technologies	Paxon D Kaelan T	Harrison L	

## **Curriculum Day Monday 18 November**

The last Curriculum Day for 2024 will be held on Monday 18 November. There will be an OSHC program available on this day for those children that require care. Bookings will be through the TVPS OSHC or contact Andrea and Wendy.

## **Strategic Review Survey**

Every 5 years, the school undertakes a strategic review. We are keen to hear from our community about your thoughts and this will help form our strategic plan for the next 5 years.

There are 5 questions in the survey (click on the link below) and should only take about 5 minutes to complete. All responses remain anonymous.

The survey will be open until 3pm Friday 15 November.

<https://forms.gle/785PQGUfFB62vDV79>

Thank you for taking the time to complete the survey.

## **Hats**

Just a reminder that students must wear a school hat during Term 4 to protect them from the sun. If you need to purchase a hat for your child, please contact Samantha Smith who will be able to assist you.

## **2025 Prep Transition**

On Thursday 14 November, we will be having our first 2025 Prep transition from 9:30-10:30pm. We are looking forward to working with all our new students coming to TVPS. A reminder to families if you have a sibling that is yet to enrol, please do so ASAP so they don't miss out on the transition program. If you know of any families who would like to join our wonderful community, please let them know to contact the office for a tour.

## **Yard Duty Supervision**

Just a reminder for parents that the yard duty teachers are on duty before school from 8:45-9:00 and after school from 3:30-3:45. Outside of these hours, children must be supervised by a parent.

## **Lost Property**

We have a number of uniform items that are found in the yard each day. These are placed in the Lost Property shelves outside the library. Please ensure all items of uniform have your child's name on them so we can return them directly to the child.

## **Uniform**

**PLEASE NOTE THE WEARING OF SCHOOL UNIFORM IS COMPULSORY. THE TVPS SCHOOL COUNCIL HAS APPROVED AN ATTRACTIVE UNIFORM, BASED ON THE SCHOOL COLOURS OF NAVY BLUE AND GOLD! – NO BLACK TRACKSUIT PANTS ARE TO BE WORN.**

**If you need to purchase new uniform, you can attend the uniform shop next to the canteen on a Monday from 9:30-10:30.** If you need to order at any other time, please contact Sam Smith who looks after all uniform requirements. Order forms are available at the office and on the website.

Second Hand uniform is available for purchase from the Hall with Donna and Dora on a Monday morning 9:30-10:30.

