



Diary Dates

Term 1 2020

CANCELLED

Wednesday 25 March

Finance Meeting 6:00 pm
Governing Council 7:00 pm

Wednesday 25 March

Santos Athletics

Wednesday 8 April

Parent teacher interviews

WEEK 9

Friday 27 March

Student Free Day

Thursday 9 April

Last day of Term 1
Early dismissal 2:10 pm

Friday 10 April

Public Holiday
Good Friday

Term 2 2020

Monday 27 April

Student Free Day

Dear Families

Thank you for your unwavering support as we navigate through these uncertain times.

I would like to reassure you that the team at Valley View Secondary School is observing the recommendations and instructions issued by the Department of Education and SA Health, including social distancing requirements and appropriate hygiene practices.

Could I please encourage you all to follow our Facebook page: "Valley View Secondary School" as content is regularly updated with resources and information in real time.

Attendance

Whilst your child/children are at school, we are continuing to plan and deliver quality teaching and learning for all students. However, should families choose to keep their child/children at home, it is important that you advise the school as to the duration of the absence by calling Student Services directly on 8360 6172.

Students can access programs of learning, resources and assessment tasks on DayMap. Please encourage your child/children to maintain communication with their teachers to minimise disruption to learning and adhere to deadlines. As a reminder Friday 27 March is a planned Student Free Day, for staff professional learning.

Canteen guidelines

At this stage the school canteen will remain open, however, we would like to encourage students to place orders and pay via the Qkr! App and/or pay by EFTPOS. Download instructions can be found on website link <https://www.valleyview.sa.edu.au/parent-information/canteen/>

Other resources

- For updated information, contact the Coronavirus Health Information line on 1800 020 080 or go to www.sahealth.sa.gov.au/COVID19
- For translated COVID-19 online resources into Arabic, Vietnamese, Simplified and Traditional Chinese, Farsi, Italian and Korean, go to <https://www.health.gov.au/news/health-alerts/novel-coronavirus-2019-ncov-health-alert/translated-coronavirus-covid-19-resources>

I strongly encourage all families to continue to communicate with the school regarding any issues or concerns related to their child's/children's learning or COVID-19.

Kind regards
Yvette Swaalf

AROUND THE SCHOOL

SANTOS Athletics Carnival

Due to regulations and the safety and wellbeing of students, the SANTOS Athletics carnival has been postponed until further notice. For those who have made payment this can remain on your student account for the next carnival or alternatively contact the finance department to discuss options.

Mission to Mars Ecursion

Due to regulations and the safety and wellbeing of students, the Mission to Mars excursion has been postponed until further notice. For those who have made payment this can remain on your student account for the next excursion or alternatively contact the finance department to discuss options.

Parent Teacher Interviews

As per the recommendation to practice social distancing we are putting in precautionary measures.

Parent teacher interviews will not be taking place at Valley View Secondary School, however we are looking into alternate options to still make contact with parents. Further communication will come out about these options.

Governing Council

Governing Council meeting that was to be held on March 25 will be postponed until further notice.

Visitors entering the school

As per the recommendation to practice social distancing we are putting in precautionary measures to reduce the amount of people on site where necessary. This includes all Parent(s), Caregivers, Off Site Providers & Contractors.

We are also asking everyone, before entering the Front Office, if you have **ANY** of the following symptoms;

- fever
- cough
- sore throat
- shortness of breath

AND

- travelled internationally in the 14 days before getting sick

OR

- had contact with someone diagnosed with or suspected of having coronavirus in the 14 days before getting sick



Please DO NOT ENTER the premises

SPORTS DAY

Sports Day Results



Valley View Secondary School's annual Sports Day event was held on Friday March 6. The day involved many demonstrations of athletic ability, sportsmanship and friendly competition. Student's represented their House team with pride and enthusiasm which made for a fun and exciting day.

Final results of the day were:

1st place: Raymond House – 896 points.

2nd place: Pitman House – 705 points

3rd place: Arman House – 506 points

4th place: Fellows House – 467 points

The individual winners from each year level were:

Year 8

KEYSHA Sullivan (Pitman House)

ANGUS Jenke (Fellows House)

Year 9

ZAHRA Hussaini (Raymond House)

DAVIDE Lioi (Raymond House)



SPORTS DAY

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The individual winners from each year level were:

Year 10

BIANCA Bone (Raymond House)
TYLER Latham (Raymond House)

Year 11

SHAYLA Kalaba (Fellows House)
HARRY Doelu (Pitman House)

Year 12

ISABELLA Williams (Arman House)
MAHDI Hosseini (Raymond House)

Best Dressed Group Winners:

1st place: The Pitman Sharks (Abbie Bullen, Mr Neale, Ms Macdonald, Mrs Horskins)
2nd place: Ayla and Isabella (Arman House)
3rd place: Jewel and Bianca (Pitman House and Raymond House)
4th place: Samuel Andrew and Samuel Taylor (Arman House)



TOTAL SCORES

ARMAN	586
RAYMOND	976
PITMAN	875
FELLOWS	607

Report from the Garden



I am utterly spoilt to have my teaching classroom right next to the Valley View Garden. Every morning I work next door to a beautiful space that is growing the most amazing herbs, fruit and vegetables, and native plants. The Horticulture team, ably led by StJohn and Loraine, have always been generous in sharing their produce with the school, often for a nominal gold coin donation.

When I saw the abundance of basil growing in the raised beds, I was inspired to cook! Arming myself with my trusty garden scissors, I overfilled a large hessian shopping bag with the most fragrant, fresh herbs, and headed quickly to my kitchen. An evening of blending handfuls of lush green basil, sweet garlic, creamy pine nuts, sharp parmesan, and rich olive oil, and I was rewarded with mountains of delicious pesto. I have already made a Pesto, Cream cheese and Tabasco dip, and Baked Swiss Mushrooms with Goats cheese, paired with a Balsamic Green Salad. I am also looking forward to bring a Pesto salad to school to share with the Horticulture club.

Thank you to all the students and staff that work on this amazing project. Thank you for the inspiration, and thank you for the delicious produce.

Beck Archer

WRITE 4 FUN

WRITERS WANTED... \$1000 CASH and your choice of;

- Nintendo Switch
- Playstation 4
- \$500 Rebel Sport Gift Card
- Xbox One X



THE PRIZES

For Poetry:

- 1st \$1000 CASH (\$500 to YOU & \$500 to YOUR SCHOOL)! And YOUR CHOICE of: A Nintendo Switch OR a Playstation 4 OR a \$500 Gift Card (Rebel Sport) OR an Xbox One X.
- 2nd \$250 CASH + Write4fun Gift Pack
- 3rd \$150 CASH + Write4fun Gift Pack
- 15 x Finalists Write4fun Gift Pack

For Short Story:

- 1st \$1000 CASH (\$500 to YOU & \$500 to YOUR SCHOOL)! And YOUR CHOICE of: A Nintendo Switch OR a Playstation 4 OR a \$500 Gift Card (Rebel Sport) OR an Xbox One X.
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"Promoting Writing Competitions since the year 2000"

THE COMPETITION

Entry is NOW OPEN in the 2020 Schools Writing Competition! Students all over Australia are invited to enter their Poems or Short Stories and battle it out for the great cash prizes on offer.

There is no theme!! Entrants are encouraged to let their imaginations run wild and to write on ANY TOPIC and in ANY STYLE. Students from ALL GRADES are welcome to enter - Kindergarten to Grade 12.

Enter online at www.write4fun.net OR email to enter@write4fun.net OR fax to (07) 5574 3644 OR post with entry form details to Write4fun P.O. Box 2734, Nerang DC, QLD 4211

Entry is FREE! Competition closes 30th April 2020 at 5pm.

THE RULES

- Only one entry per student - either a Poem OR Short Story.
- Entries to be typed or neatly handwritten.
- Poems must not exceed 16 lines and Short Stories must not exceed 500 words.
- Entries must be in by 30th April 2020.
- Entries must be the original work of the author.
- Co-written entries will be disqualified.
- Entry form details must accompany each entry.

THE BOOK

Poems and short stories entered into the competition will be considered for inclusion into our 2020 Write4fun anthology! Those selected will have the opportunity to purchase the edition at a discounted rate. 1st, 2nd and 3rd prizewinners will receive a complimentary copy of the book. "We are very excited to be sponsoring this competition," stated Julia Woods, Managing Editor for Write4Fun. "Our hope is that competitions such as these inspire students, in a fun way, to be creative with words!"



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