Welcome back everyone for term 3.

Congratulations to our Prep and Year 4 students who have the best attendance rate for the year. For the first time this year we have slipped below our target of 95% attendance. Year 2 is a bit of a concern however as their rate has dropped sharply to be the lowest of all year levels. Absenteeism makes continuity of learning difficult and teachers are not always able to help students to catch-up on work missed.

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Remember, it’s not OK to skip school to shop or sleep in.

Thank-you for contacting us with reasons for absences and we are currently on track to have zero unexplained absences for the year.

Mark Hooson
Term Overviews
Overviews of the curriculum to be covered this term by each class will also be sent home today.

2016 Parent/Caregiver Survey
The School Opinion Survey is undertaken each year to obtain opinion information from parents/caregivers, students and school staff to help us identify what we do well, and how we can improve.

The access codes for the online survey are not linked to individuals, and you cannot be identified in the survey results that will be reported back to the school, or by the department. Your access codes will go home with your eldest child today. A link to the survey will be added to today’s email.

The online survey will be available until 29 July 2016 and should take less than ten minutes to complete.

Please note that the electronic survey will not be completed until you have clicked the ‘Submit Survey’ button at the bottom of the final page. Once submitted, you cannot view nor change your survey responses.

Please contact us if you have any questions about the survey.

Cambooya Athletics
The Cambooya Athletics Carnival takes place next week on Wednesday 20 July at Cambooya SS and Friday 22 July at Bunkers Hill SS. All permission notes should have been returned by last term. Parents are responsible for organising transport and students need to be at both venues by 8.45 am. Mrs Bowe and Mrs Higton will supervise students on Wednesday, and Mrs Bowe and Mr Hooson will supervise students on Friday.

Students need to bring a hat and water bottle and food is available to buy on Friday. Parents are very welcome to attend.

Entrepreneurs of Tomorrow
In April, Education Minister Kate Jones launched the $1.7 million ‘Entrepreneurs of Tomorrow’ grant program.

One hundred schools would each receive $16,600 to create a range of innovative entrepreneurial programs with a focus on the creation of digital solutions that include coding and robotics.

Thanks to the work of Mr Wright, Vale View was fortunate enough to be one of the 100 successful schools to receive this funding. This is an exciting opportunity for our school and will involve us this year buying class sets of robotics kits for the older students and dash robots for our younger students.

Beanies for Brain Cancer
Congratulations to the Vale View community who raised $167 on the last day of term 2. We have added this money to the $195 we made at the disco to give us a total of $362.35 that we have donated to the ‘Cure Brain Cancer Foundation’.

Happy birthday to Libby Spain who turns 11 today, and Elayna Morgan who turns 7 next Sunday.

Monthly Meeting
The meeting set down for Monday 25 July has been put back to Monday 01 August due to Mr Hooson being in Brisbane on Monday 25 July.

Soup Day
Students have the opportunity to purchase soup for lunch on Thursday 21 July. Please see flyer for details.

Bunkers Hill Sausage Sizzle
Vale View will operate a sausage sizzle stall at the Cambooya Athletics Carnival at Bunkers Hill SS – Friday 22 July. Volunteers are needed to help run the stall. Please contact Kelly on 0419711783 or Julie on 0447765870 by this Friday if you can help out on the day.

To Do:
- Soup orders due by this Friday
- Please complete the School Opinion Survey by Friday 29 July. Thanks.