

"WHAT'S UP AT BPS"



Meet Matt Kean!

"Anything is Possible, you can achieve whatever you set your mind to."



Matt Kean became the youngest Member of the New South Wales Parliament at the age of 28. He is the representative for the Hornsby Shire area, which includes Berowra.

He is also the NSW Minister for Energy and Environment. Every year, Mr Kean comes to our Presentation Day, to present the Matt Kean Visual Arts Award.

There's actually quite a funny story as to why Mr Kean presents the Visual Arts Award every year. In 2011 Matt Kean offered to donate an award to the school, he was told that we already had a Citizenship Award and was asked if he could donate a Visual Arts Award instead. Unfortunately, Mr Kean, who trained as an accountant, knows nothing about art, so he found this pretty funny.

Mr Kean has many hobbies that he enjoys, some he has had since childhood. One of them is sport, he loves his cricket and has been playing for Berowra since he was a child, he also loves Rugby League, and was a supporter of the North Sydney Bears before they were taken out of the competition. As well as loving sport, he really enjoys reading and reads a lot of the time. On top of all of that, he loves cooking, in fact he recently did a cooking course, because his wife was refusing to cook anymore meaning they would starve, but after the course, he found he loved cooking!

Matt Kean, being a member of Parliament has two different roles. As the representative for the Hornsby Shire he has to stand up for our community, meaning that when there's a problem with a public place around the area, for example bad school facilities or terrible public toilets, he has to listen to our complaints, and make sure they're heard. As the Minister for Energy and Environment, he has to make sure that the environment isn't destroyed by big developers who want more property to sell. He also has the job of transitioning NSW from fossil fuel, to renewable energy such as solar, wind and hydro (water) power. Last week Mr Kean was able to announce a huge addition to the Australian National Parks. Under Mr Kean's leadership, the NSW Government bought Narriearra Station, which will help protect threatened animals, important habitats and wetlands... (Continued on Page 2)

Activities Coming Back in Term 3

It's the time you've all been waiting for. Activities are now coming back for term 3 and here we have all the information you need about when activities are coming back and what time they'll be on.

- Junior Dance Group - Tuesdays at Lunch
- Boys Dance Group - Tuesday at 8:15 am
- Girls Dance Group - Thursday 8:15 am
- Junior Choir – To Be Confirmed
- Senior Choir - Monday at Lunch, but unfortunately it won't be Starting until Week 2
- Junior Drama - Thursday at Lunch
- Senior Drama - Wednesday at Lunch
- Explorer Band - Friday 7:50 am
- Concert Band - Wednesday 7:50 am
- Rock Band – Monday 8:00am

Spencer L

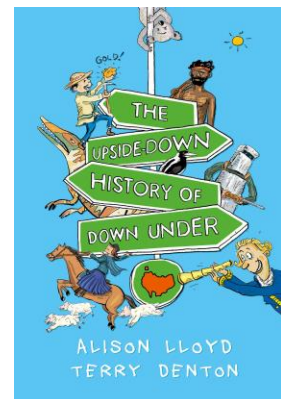
Riddle

Riddle: What room has no door, no window, no floor, and no roof?

Book Report

The Upside-down History of Down Under

By Alison Lloyd and Terry Denton



The Upside-down History of Down Under is a history book about Australia. It starts when Australia was just a piece of land going for a swim southward.

The book has lots of funny drawings. It also has lots of things to learn about Australia, for example some ships and explorers that have come to Australia. It also explains it in a funny way, but not a silly way. This book has many good stories, such as there was an aboriginal man who was in handcuffs then he escaped from police, lit a fire, found lots of food, and went 800km back to where he lived. It's a really interesting book.

I would recommend this book for ages 9 and up.

Luca P

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Riddle Answer: A mushroom

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From a very young age Mr Kean was interested in Politics. His parents had always encouraged him to pursue his dreams and use his talents to give back to the community. He had done so much in this area, it was where he had played all his sports, gone to school, where he went to church and even where he got his first job. But it was what happened when he was 18, that made him really want to become a politician. Across the road from where he lived, some developers were wanting to build flats, the local community were complaining, but the Government wasn't listening. So, Matt Kean joined his community and he helped stop the flats being built.

I really enjoyed interviewing Matt Kean, he really cares about his job and the community. He believes that we children can achieve our dreams and make a difference.

I asked Matt Kean if there was any message he would like to give the students at BPS, and he said:

"Anything is possible, you can achieve whatever you set your mind to, so long as you are willing to work hard, dream big and never take no for an answer."

Joshua R

What does the word Berowra mean?



We all know the word Berowra, it's even part of our school name! But not many people know what it means. The word Berowra is very old, the Aboriginal people used it hundreds of years ago. But something that happened made people think it meant something different. When white people came to Berowra one of the things they decided to do was open a hotel. To make the hotel popular and well known, they said it had lovely fresh air away from all the factories in the city and even said Berowra meant the place of many winds. But that isn't quite right, Berowra actually means place of many shells. It is called the place of many shells because down by all the rivers there were big piles of shells from where the Aboriginal people would have eaten seafood and put the shells in big piles called middens.

Katerina M

Best Anzac Cookies

Why I like it? They are the best Anzac cookies ever! They have a nice caramelized outside and a soft inside.

This Recipe makes 16

Ingredients

- 125g butter
- 2 tablespoons of golden syrup
- 1 cup of brown sugar
- 2 tablespoons of boiling water
- $\frac{3}{4}$ cup of desiccated coconut
- 1 cup of rolled oats (not quick oats)
- 1 cup of plain flour
- $\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoon of baking soda

Read all of the method before starting

Method

Put the butter and golden syrup in a pan on the stove on medium low heat until the butter is melted. Then put all of the other ingredients in the mix in this order: flour, coconut, sugar, oats, baking soda. Then add water. Make sure you mix each of the ingredients as you put them in. If the mixture is crumbly add more water until wet. Get 2 trays and place 8 on each tray. Cook in the oven at 180°C between 12 and 14 minutes.

The website I got it from is:
womensweeklyfood.com.au/recipes/best-anzac-biscuits-recipe-28575

Max T

Beanie and Scarf Day

Last Wednesday we had a beanie and scarf day to raise, not money, but food for the people that need it most. There were a lot of different scarfs and beanies ranging from solid colours to sports themed ones. So, thank you for your donations and we appreciate you helping people get back on their feet.



As you can see in the above photo we got lots of donations which will be given to the people who need it most

Ethan P