



Berowra

Public School

The Crest

Wednesday 30th November, 2011
Term 4 Week 8

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P&C 2012

I would like to thank all the 2011 P&C committee for their wonderful work and dedication to Berowra Public School and I welcome our new committee for 2012. Thanks to all parents for giving up your valuable time to support our school.

Twilight Concert

I was impressed with all our children last Thursday night at the Twilight Concert. They all sounded so accomplished and of course talented. Many thanks to Amanda Gillard, Helen Vincent and Sue Blackman for their leadership and talents. Thank you also to all parent helpers on the night.

Combined Band Day

Today the Turrumurra Public School Band and band director visited Berowra to workshop and perform with our own Training and Concert Bands. BPS students were treated to a fabulous concert involving 100 band students. It is not too late to join Training Band in 2012, all students in years 3 – 6 are eligible. Contact Amanda Gillard on 9456 2908 or bpsband@hotmail.com.

Mathletics

Congratulations to our Mathlete Classes of the Week :

Week 7 - 4/5W

Week 8 - 4/5W and 1A

Congratulations also to the children who are attaining places on the Top Australian Students Hall of Fame :

Axel W	4/5W	4th	Matthew C	KY	10th
Peter M	2W	53rd	Isara W	1P	96th

The next two weeks of school are very busy. A note went home on Friday with all our upcoming events. Permission notes for excursions should be sent home this week.

Dianne Bower
Relieving Principal

Drama News - We have been busy practising and presenting some end of year plays in library time this term. Stage 1 have enjoyed performing their unit of study play, "Celebrations" and class 3/4B did an amazing job performing their play looking back at the early days of settlement in Australia. Well done all!

Both Senior and Junior Drama Groups will be presenting their Christmas plays "The X..mas Factor" and "The Forgotten Present" in the hall on Wednesday morning 14th December. The children have developed so much over the year in confidence, expression, movement, self esteem, creativity and more. So very proud of them all! Thank you parents who came up with costumes at the last minute and prepare and encourage their children so well. Your help is invaluable.

Jennie Smith

Library News - From Monday 28th November, the library will be closed for borrowing. Please return all outstanding books by the end of this week. It is time again for our annual stocktake, so it would be much appreciated if you could ensure that your children have returned ALL of the books they have borrowed this year - ESPECIALLY YEAR 6.

Premiers Reading Challenge certificates should arrive shortly and will be distributed at our 2011 achievement assembly to be held on Monday 12th December.

Film Festival I was very proud to escort some year 5 boys, Ben B, James C, Liahm W and Daniel H to our first ever Primary School film Festival held at the Dendy Theatre. They boys were a credit to their parents and to the school.

We are so proud of Ben B who won a Bronze Oscar for his short film titled "Lani Versus the Worry Monster". All the boys are now enthusiastic about being part of a Berowra School Film Group next year. Steven Spielberg had better watch out!

Jennie Smith



Music - Band - Congratulations to all musicians on a wonderful Twilight concert, truly a celebration of music at BPS. A special thank you to all the parents who were able to help at the Twilight concert, it couldn't have happened without you and to all your fantastic children. I hope you are very proud of their achievements. All groups performed extremely well, with special mention to the guitar duo and Sue Blackman, the recorder groups and Sue Thorvaldson and the choir and Mrs Vincent. Next weeks rehearsals - December 6th and 7th, will be our last for the year. Rehearsals will start at **8 am** as normal with music being collected at the end of the rehearsal. Please make sure you are on time and bring all your music. The band Christmas party is on Tuesday December 6th at 1.20, behind the old hall. Please bring a plate of food to share - no lunch needed! Parents welcome.

We have the Band AGM on Thursday December 1st in the staff room at 7pm. All welcome.

It's Not Too Late for Band 2012! Extra Instrument Tryout Day!

There will be an extra instrument tryout day on
THURSDAY 1st DECEMBER
in the **LIBRARY** at **1.30**
immediately after eating lunch
during play time



We still have some school band instruments available for next year, so come and take advantage of this great opportunity to join the band.

Please find the Band Information Booklet on the school website.



Any questions or queries Amanda Gillard
9456 2908 or bpsband@hotmail.com

The final band performance is for CONCERT band only on Presentation Day – details to follow.

Any questions or queries? Amanda Gillard 9456 2908 or Debbie Allen 9456 0596 or on bpsband@hotmail.com

<u>Roster</u>	<u>Concert Band</u>	<u>Training Band</u>
	6/12 Wright	7/12 Wright

Amanda Gillard, Band Director

'White Light' - It's been a busy term for BPS rock band 'White Light' with performances at the BPS MADD Concert, the Wide-view PS Fete and the Asquith PS Fete (see photo).

As the year draws to a close I want to say a very BIG 'thank you' to all the band members and their parents. I've had heaps of fun running this band and I'm very proud of what the band has achieved in such a short space of time – they're sounding fantastic!!! Every band member has put in a HUGE effort and together they have become 'a band' – no small task! So well done 'White Light'!

On a sad 'note' (pun intended) we'll soon be saying good-bye to our three, very talented Yr 6 members – Tarna, Jasmine and Tal-lulah.....thank you so much girls. We wish you every success in your journey into high school. We are certainly going to miss you!!! Tia, Sam F, Dan L and Joe P will be continuing their rock band journey in 2012, in a brand new band with a new name and some talented new members.

Sue Blackman, Band Tutor

Recorder Group - I have had an overwhelming response from students interested in being a part of the beginner recorder ensemble in 2012. We will now have two beginner classes who will join together for performances. Unfortunately, I am unable to take any more beginner students at this stage. My apologies to anyone who misses out.

Current students - Congratulations on a fantastic performance at the Twilight Concert. I have been very impressed with the progress you have all made this year. Great work everyone. Our final rehearsals for the year will be on Wednesday 7th December for beginners and Friday 9th December for advanced.

Sue Thorvaldson.

Sport News - On Sunday 13th November I went to Melbourne with the NSW Primary Schools Softball Team. We played Queensland on the first day of play and won 5-3. The second day we played Victoria, SA and ACT and won all the games. On Wednesday all the state teams went to the MCG and National Sports Museum for an excursion and a break from playing. On Thursday we played QLD and VIC again but unfortunately we lost in a close game against QLD. On Friday, our last day, we versed SA who we won against. Then we played ACT in the final. ACT were winning 3-1 but then we scored 6 runs, the final score being 9-4. We had a closing ceremony, where we were given our gold medals.

The NSW Boys Team ended up coming equal first with QLD and then we went to the airport to fly home later that night. Thank you to everyone that supported me for getting to Melbourne.

Taylor W



Coles Sport for Schools Vouchers - Thank you to the whole of the Berowra community who gave their Coles vouchers to us to redeem for sporting equipment. Over 106,000 vouchers were collected. Thank you to the School Support Group, students in Year 6 and the ladies in the office for the combined effort of counting every last one of them.

Uniform Shop - Lost property There are many items that need claiming from lost property. All lost property items that are not claimed by the end of the year are donated to the uniform shop.

Opening times—MONDAYS 9-10am and THURS 3-3.45pm.

Cash refunds unavailable—a cheque will be forwarded.

All returns need to have a returns form attached.

Uniform Shop Roster - copies available at the shop

Thursday	1/12	S Bourke, H Anstice
Monday	5/12	J Anderson, G Blackwood, M McNally
Thursday	8/12	S Williams, R Stoner
Monday	12/12	V Eliasson, J McKendrick, R Walton

The Uniform Shop Committee

Canteen - There will be some changes to the canteen opening days during the last weeks of term -

Wk 9	Mon 5/12	- <u>open</u> as normal.
	Thurs 8/12	- Presentation Day, <u>open</u> as normal.
	Friday 9/12	- Nativity Concert, <u>open</u> as normal with morning tea for parents and guests.
Wk 10	Mon 12/12	- Celebration of Learning Assembly, <u>NO lunch orders</u> taken but food to buy over the counter with sausage sizzle, drinks, lollies and chips.
	Thurs 15/12	- excursions & disco day, canteen <u>CLOSED</u> .
	Friday 16/12	- last day of school, <u>NO lunch orders</u> but some hot food available over the counter eg nachos, pizza, muffins, pies etc.

Canteen Roster

Thursday	1/12	K Riolino, M McNally
Friday	2/12	J Charlton, B Lawrie, K Bird
Monday	5/12	S Parker, P Smith
Thursday	8/12	J Anderson, C Tyerman
Friday	9/12	L Peltonen, V Eliasson
Monday	12/12	R Smith, R Persson

CLASS AWARDS	
KR	Isabella A, Kaitlyn K
KY	Brooke F, Elise O
1A	Emily D, Cody L
1L	Caitlin S, Bradley A
1P	Diarmuid C, Chloe G
2L	Jasmine M, Joshua J, Edward R
2V	Ben W, James N
2W	Luke S, Dylan C, Caitlyn R

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P&C News - BPS Fair 2012 The next school Fair will be held in October 2012 – **can you help?**
 If you are able to help with the planning, the first meeting will be held **Monday 5 December 2011, 7pm at the Berowra Tavern/Pub.**
 Help will also be needed next year with ticket sales, on the day itself etc but more on that later.
 If you have any questions, or can help but just not able to attend the first meeting, please contact Graeme Gates on 0418 485 322 or via gkgates@iinet.net.au

We have been advised that the school's **group photos** should arrive shortly for distribution next week.



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To all the **parents, grandparents and carers** who have helped out both inside and outside the classroom, the staff and students of Berowra Public School would like to say.....

Thankyou! Thankyou! Thankyou!

and invite you to
The Helpers' Morning Tea
Wednesday 7th December 2011
11am

Looking forward to seeing you!

Diary Dates

Year 6 mini fete	Fri	2/12
Soccer gala day	Tues	6/12
Christmas church service	Wed	7/12
Helpers Thank You Morning Tea	Wed	7/12
Presentation Day	Thurs	8/12
Nativity Concert	Fri	9/12
Celebration of Learning Ceremony	Mon	12/12
Reports going home	Mon	12/12
Basketball gala day	Tues	13/12
Year 6 Farewell	Wed	14/12
End Of Year Picnic Day	Thurs	15/12
Last day of Term 4 2011 for students	Fri	16/12
Staff return for 2012	Fri	27/1/12
Students Yrs 1-6 return for 2012	Mon	30/1/12
Kindergarten 2012 starts	Thurs	2/2/12
CARES excursion for Yrs 5/6	Mon 6/2 or Tues 7/2	
Leadership camp for school captains	Wed-Fri	8-10/2
Yr6 Broken Bay excursion	Tues-Thurs	14-16/2
BPS Swimming Carnival at Gosford	Thurs	1/3/12
End of Term 1	Thurs	5/4/12

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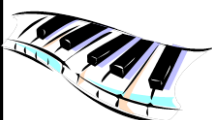
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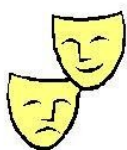
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