



# Berowra

## Public School

# The Crest

Wednesday 24th August, 2011  
Term 3 Week 6

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Another exciting fortnight at Berowra Public School...never a dull moment!

The recorder group and choir were involved in the Opera House rehearsal; PSSA teams had wins against Cowan PS, and the concert band entertained some of the local pre-schools with their extensive repertoire. All children involved in these activities, represented our school with perfect behaviour. The children involved in the Swim Scheme are showing developing skills and enjoying their time in the pool.

Congratulations to our amazing Peer Support Leaders who lead well prepared and interesting peer support sessions last week. Some children even left sick beds to make it to these sessions. Congratulations to our fantastic leaders.

I am happy to see the children wearing their uniform with pride. It is good to see all the children keeping their hair tied up and out of their eyes. I know the uniform shop will be soon selling some lovely hair ties for all to make a great fashion statement!

I was amazed at the number of parents and friends who turned up for the P&C meeting last Wednesday night. I have already noticed and commented on the abundant supply of willing parents at BPS. This was just another incident of this. From this meeting I feel I need to remind children **not to share food!** Could I please ask all parents to talk to your children about food allergies, whether it is their allergy or the fact that some children have allergies. Children need to be aware of what they can eat and what they are not allowed to eat. We are hoping that we, in partnership with parents, can educate our children to make healthy choices in what they eat.

Many thanks to Graeme Gates, Miss Glare and 4G for the vegetable patch. Hopefully soon we will see the plants sprouting and the canteen selling these vegetables.

Congratulations also to all our Athletics and Spellodrome certificate recipients from this week's assembly. Keep up this fantastic participation and enjoyment of this educational program. Parents ask your children to show you these programs...have a go on 'live Athletics'.

Congratulations to Nick F for his selection into the NSW PSSA Rugby team for 2012. Nick has just spent a week at Parkes, representing Sydney North in rugby and due to his outstanding skills has been selected into the state team. Well done, Nick.

Di Bower  
Relieving Principal

### Library - BOOK WEEK IS HERE!!

This week is Book Week with the theme for 2011 "One World, Many Stories". In keeping with this theme we had two special authors and storytellers, James Knight and Lucky Phewa, to visit. They were inspiring! Tales of travels around the world, music and dance, involving the children on so many levels. It was great to see the children enthusiastically immersed in the stories of world travels and different cultures.

This year Book Week is spanning two weeks to accommodate the Special Swimming Scheme. The next events are on Wednesday 31st August with our dress up Book Character parade for classes K to 2, after recess in the Hall.

This is followed by our annual whole school, K to 6, LITERARY TRIVIA competition, after lunch on the same day. Thinking caps on! Here's hoping for fine weather. The children love to come dressed up for the day in the costumes of their favourite book character, especially if they help put it together. The parade lasts about 1 hour from 12 to 1pm. Parents most welcome.

Parents are also invited to view the Library Displays of the Short Listed books that each class, K to 6, have been working on in preparation for Book Week. They are amazing! We have such talented teachers and children!

Winning books for this year were "The Red Wind" by Isobelle Carmody for Primary readers with "Violet Mackerel's Brilliant Plot" scoring an Honour Award. "Maudie and the Bear" by Jan Omerod won the Early Reader's section and joint winners of the Picture Book category were "Mirror" by Jeannie Baker and a graphic novel "Hamlet" by Nicki Greenberg. Information Book winner was "The Return of Word Spy" by Ursula Dubosarsky. These would make wonderful presents for children as they have been judged "the best of the best". They will also be available from most Libraries.

REMINDER Premier's Reading Challenge for 2011 finishes on the 31st August. Please complete your online list of books read this year and let the Library know you have completed your quota.

Donated books from the Book Fair should go out to the students within the next two weeks. Thank you everyone for your generosity. Sixty new books for the Library, all welcome additions! Thank you also to Mrs Lee and Mrs Gilbert for preparing and covering the donated books. It is very much appreciated. Happy Book Week all.

Jennie Smith  
Librarian

**Victory in the Pacific and Vietnam Veteran's Day** - On Sunday 21st August five students from BPS attended the memorial day service for Victory in the Pacific and Vietnam Veteran's Day.

This service was attended by Matthew W, Michelle H, Kirstyn S, Hayleigh S and Aimee L who played the "Last Post" and did a fantastic job.

These children represented our school with pride and laid a floral tribute at the service.



### Sport - Most Valued Player for 5/8/11

Carla S	Flynn B
Ben B	Damian F

**Music - Band** - We have had a busy couple of weeks with both the Band tour of the local preschools and the Berowra Musica rehearsal.

The preschool tour was enjoyed by both the band children and the preschoolers. Many thanks to those parents who were able to help with transport and to Mrs Vincent for accompanying us. It was great to hear the children talking about their instruments and showing them to the preschoolers.

BPS was host to the other participating school - Wideview, the Christian school and Mt Kuring-gai, to make a band of 90 musicians. Again, I can not praise our band parents enough in mak-

ing this a successful and smooth running rehearsal. The Musica performance, on September 16<sup>th</sup> should be a great evening. If you have not received a band newsletter by email, please contact the band to ensure we have your correct email address. Any questions or queries? Amanda Gillard 9456 2908 or Debbie Allan 9456 0596 or bpsband@hotmail.com

#### Roster

##### Concert Band

30/8 Bailey  
6/8 Bryant

##### Training Band

31/8 Gilbert  
7/8 Miller

Amanda Gillard, Band Director

**'White Light'** - Members of BPS rock band, 'White Light' were thrilled to be given the opportunity to perform at a very popular event, the Berowra Wood-chop Festival on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> August. The band did a great job representing the school with a display of musical talent as they played enthusiastically to a large crowd of very supportive locals, friends and family. Big thanks go to Steve Passfield (local musician / sound engineer) for providing the PA and doing an excellent job running the performance stage. Well done 'White Light'!



Sue Blackman (Band Tutor/Director)

**Recorder Group** - On Wednesday, 10th August, the Senior Recorder Ensemble headed in to the Sydney Opera House to represent Berowra Public School in the annual Festival of Instrumental Music, run by the Dept of Education Arts Unit.



The students have been working hard through out the year to learn the music and be able to play it from memory, under the direction of Dr Thorvaldson.

Mrs. Vincent was so inspired by the Festival last year, she took on the challenge to dust off her

recorder and learn the music as well.

Our recorder group joined recorder players from many other public school from across the state for a rehearsal in the middle of the day. This was the first time the 700 recorder players had all been together, making the intense 2 hour rehearsal a very important preparation for the concert in the evening.

All their hard work paid off as the concert was a huge success, the full house audience apparently didn't want to stop their applause after the final item in which the massed recorders were joined by over 200 string players.

## Enrol now for Kindergarten 2012

If you have a child starting school next year or know of a neighbour or friend, now is the time to enrol.

The following events have been organised for our new students -

#### Kindergarten Fun Day

is on Thursday 15th September 9:30 till 11:20

#### Beginners Group

will be commencing Monday 17th October

#### Kindergarten Orientation Day

is on Thursday 17th November from 9:30am

Enrolment forms and Information Booklets are available at the office or by calling 9456 1319



## NOTES YOU MAY HAVE MISSED

Sent Out	Subject	Distribution	Response
10/8/11	BPS Dance Party	K-6	6/9/11
18/8/11	Yr 2 Gibberagong excursion	Year 2	30/8/11
24/8/11	Fathers Day breakfast	K-6	2/9/11
24/8/11	Canteen Green Day order	K-6	30/8/11
24/8/11	Yr 1 Gibberagong excursion	Year 1	1/9/11
24/8/11	Photo Day	K-6	-
24/8/11	Fundraising calendars	K-6	8/9/11
24/8/11	Fathers Day breakfast	K-6	2/9/11
24/8/11	School banking information	K-5	-

## POSITIONS VACANT

The following position in the P and C is available.

### PUBLICITY OFFICER

This position involves producing articles about our school and any achievements of groups or individuals and having them published in local media. This person would be required to liaise with local media to promote our school within the community.

If anyone is interested please contact the school office or Karen Bird 0409485122

## BPS Trivia Night

Hold the date! The BPS Trivia Night will be Friday 11th November, 7:30pm start.

More details to follow.....

If you are able to help with the organising (before or on the night) or with the sourcing of prizes please come along to the next meeting Thursday 25 August, 7pm at the Berowra Village Tavern or contact Katrina Gates on 0409 837 344.

**P&C News** - Well it was wonderful to see so many people at the last meeting. The support for the P and C executive and me personally was overwhelming and I am very grateful.

As I said at the meeting, we are but volunteers trying to raise a few extra dollars for the benefit of our children.

I would encourage everyone to become a financial member of the P and C. This involves paying fifty cents annually so you may vote. Let your voice be heard by voting!

The next meeting will be on 21<sup>st</sup> September at 7:40pm. There will be a ten-minute special meeting to present the audited P and C books prior to the commencement of the general meeting.

Jordan S has been invited to play in an U12 soccer team in the Donane Cup in Spain. The P&C are supporting Jordan by running a raffle. Tickets are \$3 each, two for \$5 or five for \$10. A note has gone home today.

Karen Bird -President

**School Banking** - This week your child will receive an envelope with information about school banking. This contains an application form if you wish to register your child with the Commonwealth Bank Dollarmite Account.

The school makes a commission every time a child banks through the school banking system. Each time they bank they receive a token which they can then save them up and redeem for a prize. All they need to do is bring in their bank book on a Tuesday, a money day, and I do the rest.

If you have any questions about this, please call me on 0415 487 474.

Jo Zafos

**Uniform Shop** - New hair elastics are available for \$2 each and come in a variety of colours to match the winter and summer uniforms. They are also available in black to match the sports uniform.

**Education tax refund** - inclusion of school uniforms.

The Government has changed the education tax refund to include school-approved uniforms, purchased from 1 July 2011. Items of clothing including hats, footwear and sports uniforms approved by a school as its uniform may be claimed from 1 July 2012, so from 1 July 2011 start keeping receipts for school uniform items so you can claim them next year.

For more information, refer to Education Tax Refund ([www.educationtaxrefund.gov.au](http://www.educationtaxrefund.gov.au)).

The shop is always busy so we're in constant need of volunteers. Contact Tammy on 9456 7973 or Jayne on 9456 1549 if you are keen to lend a hand.

- 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** - copy available at the shop

Thursday	25/8	P Smith, N Steel
Monday	29/8	D Allan, M Davies
Thursday	1/9	S Bourke, H Anstice
Monday	5/9	J Anderson, G Blackwood, M McNally
Thursday	8/9	S Williams, R Stoner
Monday	12/9	V Eliasson, J McKendrick, R Walton

**Canteen - Green Day** - Our trial healthy food day at the canteen has seen a fantastic start and has been well received by parents, staff and students. It has been wonderful to see the kids excited to be eating healthy and nutritious meals and snacks so a big thankyou to everyone who has made a purchase. Our new warmer months menu has started with yoghurt pops available at lunch time.

A huge thankyou to all the parent volunteers who have given their time and to our special guests who have helped serve, Carla Dziwoki from Sydney swifts and the Berowra Fire brigade. We are also very thankful for the kind support of Mount Colah Fruit World who have supplied discounted fresh fruit and veggies! Please remember to have your order form in by the Tuesday before each Green Day.

**Canteen Roster**

Thursday	25/8	S Bourke, C Stone
Friday	26/8	M Davis, K Wallis
Monday	29/8	R Smith, R Persson
Thursday	1/9	K Riolino, M McNally
Friday	2/9	J Charlton, B Lawrie, K Bird
Monday	5/9	S Parker, P Smith

**Super Saturday** - Berowra Public School is holding a 'Super Saturday' at the Lions Op Shop, under IGA, on 15th October from 10am till 1pm. All sales will go towards fundraising for the Year 6 Farewell 2011.

Year 5 and 6 parent helpers are required on the day from 9:30am.

Please contact Lyndall Williams on 0418 160 291

#### CLASS AWARDS

KR	Ryan J, Danielle P, Shea M, Kaitlyn K
KY	Laura R, India H, Patrick H, Abbie C, Elise O, Alisha M
1A	Mary G, Cody L, Daniel H, Lani B, Olivia B, Hugh C
1L	Caleb S, Sophie S, Dylan K, Kayla P, Jude M, Miranda A
1P	Patrick W, Eliza O, Elizabeth G, Naomi D, Hayleigh S, Jack G
2L	Cameron G, Cameron R, Jane R, Alannah b, Abbey T, Eddie R
2V	Mackenzie W, Eliza R, Ewan B, Ashleigh H, Eliza R, Taffany M
2W	Caitlyn R, Andrew S, Zac G, Hayley S, Natalie S, Dylan C

#### Community News

**Found** - Man's wedding ring on a chain was found outside the school in High St. For details contact 0425 302 627.

**Bear Creek Trail Run** is an annual running event hosted by St Ives Park Primary School comprising a 10km run, for both new & seasoned trail runners and a 6km family walk or run. A variety of cash & prizes are offered for all members of the family—a great introduction to trail running for all ages & abilities & a fun social event.

Sunday 13th November. Garigal National Park, St Ives  
[www.barecreektrailrun.com](http://www.barecreektrailrun.com)

**Hornsby Girls' High School's Annual Multicultural Fair** in the School grounds on Saturday 3rd Sept from 12noon to 5 pm

in conjunction with **HORNSBY ROTARY BOOK FAIR**.

Fabulous rood from around the world, many stalls selling a variety of goods including Trash & Treasure, books, etc, Cultural displays, delightful performances in dance & music & rides for children of all ages. All Welcome.

Yes! It's that time of year again!  
Our school photos will be taken on  
**Monday 29 & Tuesday 30 August**



A few points to help the day run smoothly -

- Please arrive at school on time.
- All students would have received their own envelope which must be returned on or before photo day.
- Every student must have their own envelope.
- All student are to wear full winter uniform for class & family photos. Some groups have been advised to wear their group uniforms ie band, sport.
- Family photo envelopes are available at the office.
- Group photos will be displayed for ordering at a later date.

## KU Berowra Preschool Meet the new Director 8 September 2011 7:00-8:00pm

Come and meet Cathryn Burton, the new Director of KU Berowra Preschool and our team of qualified and experienced teachers and staff.

- Meet our team and tour the centre
- Understand the KU difference
- The National Quality Standards: What does this mean for my child?
- Light refreshments will be provided



For more information and to RSVP  
for the event, contact the  
Centre Director:

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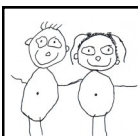


Legacy week is from Sunday 28th August to Friday 2nd September.

Berowra Public School prefects will be selling Legacy badges (\$1 to \$5) and wrist bands (\$3) before school on Thursday 1st September.

Any remaining badges will also be on sale on Friday 2nd September.

Please support this worthy charity.



## Waratah Pre School

12 Waratah Road Berowra NSW 2081

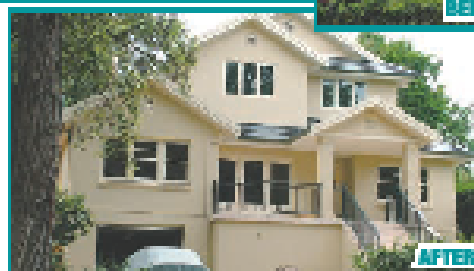
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### ZUMBA Classes

**Monday 7pm, Thurs 6.30pm, Sat 10.30am**

### 2011 Diary Dates

Special Swimming Scheme (2 weeks)	Mon-Fri	15-26/8
Book Week	Mon-Fri	22-26/8
Book Week Author visit	Tues	23/8
Fathers Day stall	Tues-Wed	23-24/8
Kindy Mougamarra excursion	Thurs	25/8
Band SSO excursion	Thurs	25/8
School photo days	Mon-Tues	29-30/8
Book Parade K-2	Wed	31/8
Book Week Trivia K-6	Wed	31/8
Year 2 Gibberagong excursion	Fri	2/9
Fathers Day Breakfast	Fri	2/9
Choir Opera House performance	Mon	5/9
Year 1 Gibberagong excursion	Thurs	8/9
2012 Kindy Fun Day	Thurs	15/9
Berowra Musica concert	Fri	16/9
BPS Shopping Tour	Sat	17/9
Last day of Term 3	Fri	23/9
Staff & students return for Term 4	Mon	10/10
Year 5 Canberra excursion	Mon-Wed	17-19/10
Performing Arts night	Tues	25/10
Pink Ribbon Morning Tea	Thurs	27/10
P&C Trivia Night	Fri	11/11
Kindy 2012 Orientation Day	Thurs	17/11
Year 6 Mini Fete	Fri	2/12
Helpers Thank You Morning Tea	Wed	7/12
Presentation Day	Thurs	8/12
Nativity Concert	Fri	9/12
Awards Ceremony	Mon	12/12
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

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