



Berowra

Public School

The Crest

Wednesday 7th September, 2011
Term 3 Week 8

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CONGRATULATIONS TO TAYLOR WEBB.

Taylor has been selected into the NSW Girls Softball Team and will be representing NSW in Melbourne during November.

A very busy time (as always, I feel) at Berowra during the last two weeks:

- School photos – didn't we all look stunning!
- Kindergarten to Muogamurra for a fun filled day of environmental studies.
- Swim School for two weeks – lots of wet but enthusiastic swimmers (many thanks to all teachers involved).
- K-2 Book Parade and Trivia – many thanks to Mrs Smith for organising this event...loved all the many and varied book characters who visited us on this day, especially Ali Baba and her eight thieves and even Mary Poppins turned up to watch!
- All children K-6 were involved in the **2011 Music Count Us In**. This is a nation-wide 'singfest' for school children which took place at 11:30am on 1st September. We were lucky to have the Advocate here to take photos.
- Friday saw the staff cooking and serving up bacon and eggs for the fathers and their children. Thank you to the P&C for sponsoring this event. Happy Fathers Day to all our terrific dads.
- Year 2 enjoyed an action packed day at Gibberagong and Bobbin Head.
- Monday, 5th September, our choir performed as part of a mass choir at the Sydney Opera House. Many thanks, Mrs Vincent.

CYBER BULLYING AND INAPPROPRIATE USE OF SOCIAL NETWORKING SITES

The DEC (previously DET) is extremely concerned about cyber bullying and associated inappropriate use of emails etc. At the Principal's Network Meeting last week, all Hornsby Principals were reminded of the importance of monitoring computer use and advising parents and students of the criminal nature of cyber bullying.

Our school is strongly committed to the safety and well being of our students. The advent of social networking sites such as MSN and Facebook add a dimension to our lives that was not around when we were children. There may be many advantages to such sites but there are also some potential dangers that need to be considered. As parents you may not be aware that your child has signed up to these sites and falsified their age to do so. Further, some children have had accounts set up by other children who "know the system".

Technically, no child of primary school age (under 13) should have access to age restricted sites such as Facebook.

It is not the school's role to interfere in decisions being made by families around their children's use of the internet. As a school we are, however, concerned that children may be putting themselves at risk by not understanding the dangers associated with the improper use of social networking sites.. Please take the time to discuss the topic, if appropriate, with your child.

Please do not leave children, especially preschoolers, unattended in cars when dropping off or picking up children from school.

Di Bower
Relieving Principal

Library - Book Week is Over! Thank you parents for your wonderful efforts in preparing your children so well for our Book Character Parade. They looked amazing in their costumes and were so confident speaking in the microphone about their characters. They teachers enjoyed being part of it all with their Ali Baba and the Forty(?) Thieves story. Thank you too Mary Poppins (alias Mrs Bower) for joining in the spirit of the day. The Whole School Trivia afternoon was held after lunch on Wednesday as well. It was wonderful to see 370 children from Kindy to Year 6 working together, testing their literary skills and having fun together. Congratulations to the winning team—Team 11. Well done!. Twenty prizes were awarded to all the children in this team.

Colouring in competitions have been judged and congratulations to the six lucky winners. The primary children all wrote reviews of the visiting author, James Knight. Some children did such a special job that we have included them in this weeks Crest. Congratulations to Nick Frost for his written review of his rugby week in Parkes. How special to be chosen for the State Rugby Team.

Jennie Smith
Librarian

"Hi, this is Tom Sumner on TVN. Today a man named James Knight visited Berowra School. He talked about different countries. He also talked about his personal life. Some of the kids said good things about him. This is why they said, "Oh, he is so good. He puts so much effort into his talking."

In other news Trey Sumner has finally said what game he loves to play. He said he loves Rugby League. This is Tom Sumner signing off".

Trey S 6A

James Knight came to our school and told us about his amazing tour around the world. Some of the countries he went to were India, Ethiopia and lots more. He told us about a lady that lives in Ethiopia and how she lives in a hut, she had never seen smooth skin before because she does lots of hands-on work. He also told us about when he went to India and how he met six boys and they lived on the street so he got them all a bottle of water. After that the boys got all their money together and bought him a block of chocolate. I loved him coming because I loved learning about his life.

Clare A 5C

James knight visited our school on Tuesday. He had lots of stories about this travels and adventures. His first story was about his pet cockatoo that followed him everywhere and even though he got eaten by a fox we learnt that the

story stayed in his head and his heart. He also went to Ecuador where he saw how bad the school was looking. He decided with his wife, that they would fix up the school. They painted walls, put up light switches and got the kids to paint their hands and put their hand prints on the wall. For a finishing touch, he stuck photos of the kids up on the wall while they were sleeping. The kids were amazed when they woke up because they had never seen photos of themselves before. He also went to India and Africa and told us about the people there. In the end we learnt that although we look different and do different things, on the inside we are all the same.

Ben B 5C

When James Knight came to visit he was amazing. He and his stories were so fun to listen to. James took us to many different countries and told us how different other people are compared to Australians. James told us about his cockatoo called cocky, his donkey called Banjo and all of his other animals that he had. He also told us about how he met a woman that had never felt soft skin before, a blind man, and six boys that sold bottles for money. I would love to hear more of James's stories and adventures. He has really inspired me to travel around the world and help other people no matter what they look like.

Caitlin R 5C

James Knight came to our school and told us of a few of his adventures such as when he travelled to India and met a group of boys who were playing cricket and when he went to a preschool where each class had about 50 children in it. One table could have about 10 at a time cramped on it and they only had one pencil to pass around. James did it up by putting proper light switches and painting it. He got all the students to put their hand prints on the wall beside the photos and took them to the dentist for the first time in their lives which made them all cry as every single one of them had holes in their teeth. I think that James Knight is a very charitable man who has lots of stories to tell the world. I would love to hear more of his amazing stories. I really loved it and am glad that he came to Berowra Public School.

Caitlin B 5C

He told us about his trip. It was very interesting. He went to Ethiopia, Ecuador, India and South America. He also told us about his pet cockatoo called Cocky and his stubborn donkey called Banjo. James Knight has a great sense of humour. He met a lady in Africa and she invited him and his wife into her little hut. The lady has two older boys and a daughter. It was amazing how the

lady's daughter had to walk 15km every day to fill up the water bucket which holds 20ltrs. He is a caring man because he helped so many poor kids and he took them to a place they had never been before - he dentist! He told us that his dad was a vet and he lived on a farm. He is 43 years old and he has a wife and one child. James Knight is a very interesting man and it would be great to see him again.

Ben C 5C

Last Monday I went to Parkes to play rugby. On Tuesday my team, Sydney North, played North Coast and we won that game. We also played two other games and won them too. The next day we played in the quarter final. We played Sydney West. We had a good game and won. Later on we played Poling in the semi final. Sadly we lost so we were set to play CIS for 3rd and 4th place.

Also that night the captains were invited to a civic reception in Parkes. The Mayor talked for ages then we got a welcome medal. It was good. On Thursday we played CIS and just lost. After the presentation they called out the state team and I was picked!

Altogether it was a great week.
Nick F 6A

Sport - PSSA Soccer 2011 This year Berowra Public School entered three soccer teams in the Hornsby PSSA competition. They were the Junior Boys, Girls and Senior Boys. All three teams played very well throughout the season and always gave it their best. The boys teams were successful in gaining a place in the semi-finals with the girls just missing out. Unfortunately both boys teams were unsuccessful in gaining a place in either of the finals. Throughout the season I was continually impressed with the attitude of all our players. They were all team players who only ever encouraged each other. I never once heard any of our players complain or question a decision made by a referee. This amazed me as the standard of refereeing is quite different from that of Saturday soccer. Each week I was impressed and very proud of the great sportsmanship displayed by all our players. I thoroughly enjoyed this season and would like to thank all the players and their parents for their contribution to our achievement. Thanks everyone and I look forward to another inspiring season next year.

Rosemary Cacitti

On Sunday 28th August, Chelsea W 3/4B competed on behalf of Hornsby RSL Gymnastics Club in the Northern Region State Gymnastics trial. Chelsea placed on the dias for all four apparatus and was successfully crowned the overall 'Silver' Medalist. Chelsea will now go on to compete at the NSW State Gymnastics Championships at the State Sport Centre, Homebush on the 15th and 16th October. She will continue to train 9 hours per week. Congratulations Chelsea.

Ice Cream Day

When: Tuesday 13th September
Cost: \$1.50
Ice cream cones with
or without sprinkles



NOTES YOU MAY HAVE MISSED

Sent Out	Subject	Distribution	Response
24/8/11	Fundraising calendars	K-6	8/9/11
31/8/11	Ice Cream Day	K-6	12/9/11
31/8/11	Sunscreen Mufti Day	K-6	7/9/11
31/8/11	Senior Boys PSSA Cricket	PSSA cricket	16/9/11
5/9/11	24 hr Industrial Action	K-6	-
7/9/11	Family Portrait	K-6	ASAP
7/9/11	Uniform Price List	K-6	-
7/9/11	Canteen Green Day order	K-6	13/9/11

Music - Band - Both bands are playing extremely well, excellent work everyone. The concert band played for the infant's book parade last week - what a fantastic event! The children's costumes were great and all credit to the band for their playing. Thanks to the parents who were able to help at the performance. The combined rehearsal also went well with the musica pieces sounding wonderful. We have one more combined rehearsal before the musica. This is a great event, not to be missed!

Any questions or queries? bpsband@hotmail.com or Amanda Gillard, Band Director 9456 2908

Roster

Concert Band

13/9 Harkness
20/9 Fisquet

Training Band

14/9 Munro
21/9 Plumridge

Rock Band - Powerplay went live to radio last week at Coast FM 96.3. Their latest CD recording was played, the band members were then interviewed in turn by Jean Abbott, the host of the program Kidz Bizz, and finally the band performed an acoustic number live. This visit is part of Powerplay's annual program which is thoroughly enjoyed by the band.

Garth Stevens, Band Director



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.



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.

Uniform Shop - New hair ties: These 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.

New price list and order form: A new price list and order form should be sent home soon. It is also available on the school website.

Rep shirts: Students who have finished with their rep shirt for now are asked to hand these back in (washed), even if you know you will need one again soon.

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	8/9	S Williams, R Stoner
Monday	12/9	V Eliasson, J McKendrick, R Walton
Thursday	15/9	C Harriss, L Peltonen
Monday	19/9	S Parker, T Allen
Thursday	22/9	P Smith, N Steel

Canteen - Canteen Roster

Thursday	8/9	J Anderson, C Tyerman
Friday	9/9	L Peltonen, V Eliasson
Monday	12/9	R Smith, R Persson
Thursday	15/9	C Parker, F Minto
Friday	16/9	C Harriss, A Cornish
Monday	19/9	L Williams

Community News

Hornsby Girls HS Open Day for Year 5 – Change of Date

Unfortunately, the Board of Studies has scheduled the HSC Music Performance Examinations for our students on Wednesday September 14, and these must take place in our school hall. Therefore, the NEW DATE FOR THE OPEN DAY IS WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 12, from 9am until 11 am. We apologise for any inconvenience, but the matter is beyond our control.

CLASS AWARDS

KR	Emma H, Samantha S
KY	Kiana L, Haylee S
1A	Riley B, Rachel W, Kydan O, Lindley R
1L	Blake C, Naomi P, Polly V, Caitlin S
1P	Stella M, Patrick W, Chloe G, Georgia A
2L	Alex G, Natasha D, Ben S, Chelsea C
2V	Alodie W, Ben W, Marco D, Callahan H, Ashleigh H
2W	Amy S, Luke S, Renee B, Peter M

Berowra Trivia Night

WHEN: Saturday 12th November
TIME: 7:00pm
WHERE: in the school hall
COST: \$20 per person
THEME: 60's, 70's & 80's

Organise a table of 10 and join in the fun.
 Tickets will be available at the office.
 Any enquiries contact gkgates@iinet.net.au

October Holiday Activities - Book now. We have science shows from Questacon and Fizzics and a great event for the little ones called 'Wild Homes'. Don't miss our Holiday and Evening Storytimes as well. For more information, go to our website at www.hornsby.nsw.gov.au/library.

St Patrick's Primary School 2011 Fete - crazy ride, dunk tank, plants, toys, books, bbq, Devonshire teas, arts & crafts, chocolate wheel, cakes & sweets, lucky balloons and more. Saturday 10/9/11 at St Patrick's, Asquith.

Vision Valley Holiday Camp - 3-5day, adventure, horse riding & overnight camps. Fun packed full of fun and adventure for kids aged 8 & up. Book by calling 9655 2600 or go to website for details www.visionvalley.org.au. Childcare rebate available.

Collaroy Surf Club - Nippers activities cater for Surf Awareness & Participation from ages 5 to 13 years. Registrations will be on Sunday 11th and 18th Sept from 9-12noon upstairs at the clubhouse on Pittwater Road or at the beach when the season starts on Sundays from 16th October at 9am. Enquiries to martin.bowyer@team.telstra.com or 0418 662 358 or at the club website www.collaroyurfclub.com.au/collaroy/join_the_nippers

Berowra Public School is holding a
"SUPER SATURDAY"
 At the Lions Club Op Shop (under IGA)
15th October 10am - 1pm

All sales will go towards fundraising for the
 Year 6 Farewell 2011.

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

Please contact Lyndall Williams on 0418 160 291

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
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- Light refreshments will be provided

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

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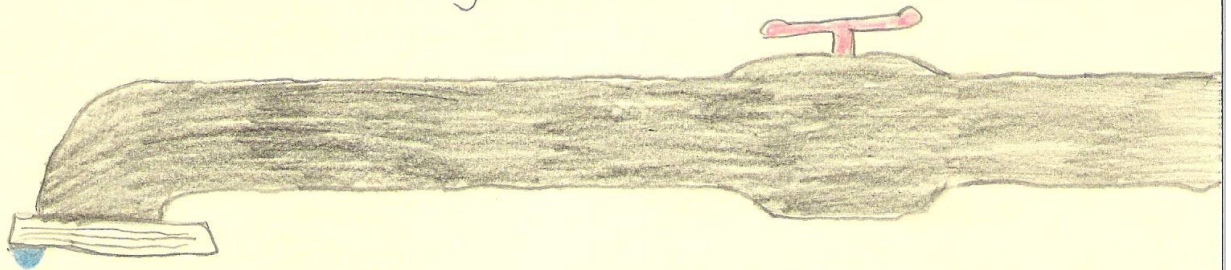


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Dripping Tap

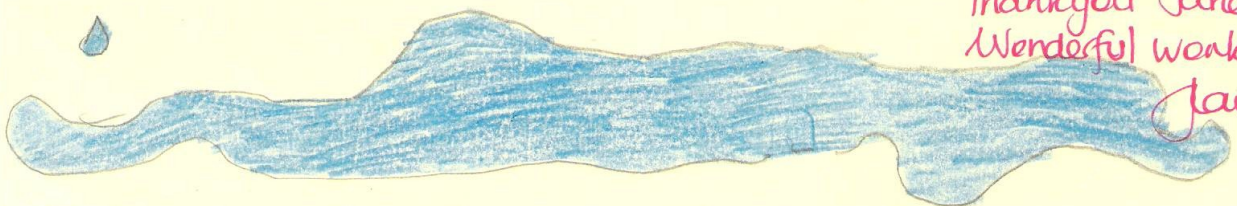


- I caught some drips from a dripping tap in a measuring cup.
- I collected 240 mL per 12 minutes. Also there were 50 drops in every 35 seconds.
- This tap will drip $240 \div 12 = 20$ mL per minute. This is $20 \times 60 = 1200$ mL per hour!
- In a whole day the tap drips $24 \times 1200 = 28800$ mL ≈ 28.8 L per day.



Thankyou Jane!
Wonderful work!

Jayson



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2011 Diary Dates

Year 1 Gibberagong excursion	Thurs	8/9
Zone Athletics Carnival	Fri	9/9
BPS Dance Party	Fri	9/9
Ice Cream Day	Tues	13/9
Maths Fun Day	Wed	14/9
2012 Kindy Fun Day	Thurs	15/9
Berowra Musica concert	Fri	16/9
BPS Shopping Tour	Sat	17/9
Aboriginal Games Day	Thurs	22/9
Last day of Term 3	Fri	23/9
Daylight Saving starts	Sun	2/10
Staff & students return for Term 4	Mon	10/10
Choir Festival rehearsal	Thurs	13/10
2012 Kindy Beginners Group commences	Mon	17/10
Year 5 Canberra excursion	Mon-Wed	17-19/10
Year 2 Band Concert	Wed	19/10
Performing Arts night	Tues	25/10
Pink Ribbon Morning Tea	Thurs	27/10
Hornsby North Band Festival	Sun	30/10
Choir Festival Matinee concert	Mon	31/10
2012 Band instrument try-out	Tues-Wed	1-2/11
Choir Festival Evening concert	Wed	2/11
P&C Trivia Night	Sat	12/11
2012 Band Information evening	Tues	15/11
Kindy 2012 Orientation Day	Thurs	17/11
Twilight Concert 6pm	Thurs	24/11
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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(plus \$15.00 insurance per child payable to Swimming NSW)

Enrolments: Saturday 29/10/11 at 1:00 pm – 2:30 pm

(or on later Saturdays from November) at the pools.

New enrolments should bring a swimsuit for grading.

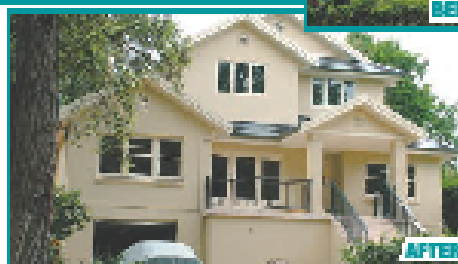
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Book Week Trivia

