



Berowra

Public School

The Crest

Wednesday 7th March, 2012
Term 1 Week 7

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We were so lucky to pick the best day last week, weatherwise, for our school swimming carnival. I was so impressed with all our students who attended and supported our carnival. The house captains and vice captains are to be congratulated for their assistance and leadership throughout the entire day. I am sure they were exhausted at the end of the carnival. Congratulations also to our wonderful competitors (both 50m and 25m) for their enormous efforts in their races. Good luck to our zone swimmers today at the zone carnival.

Many thanks to Mrs Beckedah for her great organisation of the carnival. Also, a huge thank you to Mr Wayne Bingham for giving up his time for our carnival. The use of his timing and starting equipment and his expertise definitely added to the smooth running of the carnival. Many thanks to all our parent helpers on the day. Our teachers worked tirelessly all day organising the children, the races and aiding parents with their concerns. Thank you to all involved in our wonderful carnival.

The beginning of the new school year means that selections are on for those interested in sporting teams, dancing, acting in the school play or performing with an advanced musical/dance ensemble. There is this in common with the all groups: some will make the cut, and many will not. Just a couple of examples are: Albert Einstein failed his college entrance exam. Walt Disney was fired from his first media job and Michael Jordan was cut from his high school basketball team. At any level, being left out of any team or group hurts. Parents need to make this process easier for their children by softening the disappointment. Parents can help children learn to deal with rejection as a part of life and help them bounce back with grace and renewed energy to the next endeavour. As teachers we agonise over all decisions and try to give all children an opportunity to shine. We need to work together to ensure that all children don't give up but continue to strive for their best, handle setbacks graciously and just as Michael Jordan did.... never, ever give up!

Children need to wear hats at school and it needs to be a "sun safe" hat. We ask the children to take pride in their school uniforms which includes taking care of their hats. If the brim of your child's hat has become out of shape so that it is no longer protecting them from the sun we ask you to try ironing it so that it looks smart and is sun safe.

I would like to also congratulate all our 'mathlete' and 'spello' students who are achieving fantastic results in both mathematics and spelling.

Mathlete Class of the Week -

Week 6: Year 6W; Week 7: Year 6A

Many children have made their way onto the "Australia Top 100 students, Wall of Fame"

Matthew C(1A); Imogen LW(1P); Riley B(2/3B); Jordan JB(3/4P); Orla P(4E); Jordan S(6A); Zara J(6A); Philip M(6W) Tahlia B(6W).

Congratulations to all children using Mathletics. I love seeing all your certificates of achievement each week. Keep up this amazing effort to learn!

Di Bower
Relieving Principal

Band News - We had the first training band rehearsal last week - how exciting! All the musicians have obviously been working hard at making a great sound. Well done.

Both Concert and Ensemble groups are playing well. Please speak to your tutor if you are having difficulties with a piece. They can often think of a way to simplify the music.

If you have still not returned your registration form, please bring it to the next band rehearsal.

Parent Roster Concert Band

March 13th Brogan

March 20th Gilbert

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

Amanda Gillard, Band Director

Rock Band News - BPS has an exciting, new rock band called **SOUND WAVES**. The band name was chosen from a long list of suggestions by band members at rehearsal last week.



The new band line up consists of eight talented, young musicians. Four of the band members are new to the rock band experience and the other four are experienced musicians from last year's rock band, WHITE

LIGHT. There are two vocalists (Sam A and Tamara B), two acoustic guitarists (Tia M and Zoe P), an electric guitarist (Joe P), a keyboardist (Brittany R), a bass guitarist (Sam F) and a drummer (Dan L). The band is planning to perform at school and local community events in 2012, where they will entertain their audience with a variety of fun, new and old, rock and pop songs. The first band performance will be at a school assembly in a few weeks time.

Sue Blackman (Band Director)

NEWS FLASH!!

BPS has a second Rockband! The yet to be named new group consists of 11 players and they are:- Zac G on drums, James N on bass guitar, Max T on electric guitar, Sandra M on electric guitar, Santhi S and Freya S on acoustic guitar, Sara N on Saxophone, Samantha T on vocals, Mackenzie W on vocals, Andrew M on vocals and Ashleigh H also on vocals. The kids have only rehearsed a few times and are already sounding great! For most of our players, it is their first time in a Rockband environment, and they are all loving getting together and having a jam on Monday mornings. We are aiming for an assembly performance early in Term 2. If our young rockers are playing out at community events, please come along and show your support. We are still deciding on a name, so look out for that announcement coming soon.



Mike Gordon (Band Director)

P & C News - Maintenance days are organised by the P&C to assist the school's General Assistant with some of the 'extra things' which help the school look and function better eg gardens, mulching, establishing vegetable gardens. This year, maintenance days will be organised in line with the school Stages but of course you are always welcome to come along to any maintenance day.

Each maintenance day will focus on an area within the school that relates to that Stage so it's a great way to help the school, meet other parents and the children can either help or play.

The first maintenance day is Sunday 18th March 8-11am and is for the Kindergarten and Stage 1 (Yrs 1 & 2) parents. The focus area will be the garden/lawns in front of Hillcrest Road classrooms and the garden between the toilets and kindergarten rooms.

We'd love to see you for any amount of time on the day. If possible, please bring your own basic equipment like gloves, spades, wheelbarrow but don't worry if you can't – there'll still be something you can do. For more information please contact Graeme Gates 0418 485 322.

Fete Committee Meeting is being held on Monday 12th March at 7pm at Berowra Tavern. Come along and hear the ideas and add any new ideas you might have. All welcome.

Canteen News - 'Lunch Wallets' are available from the canteen for \$8.00 or \$12.00 for an insulated 'All Rounder'. Reusable and easy to clean.

Meal Madness Monday for 12/3 & 19/3 only

Home Made Macaroni Cheese } \$4.00 order as normal
Zinger & Juice } on a paper bag

Canteen Roster

Thursday	8/3	J Anderson, S Bourke
Friday	9/3	G Gates, K Last
Monday	12/3	M Trieble, R Persson
Thursday	15/3	C Parker, F Minto
Friday	16/3	R Smith, C Jones, L Stoner
Monday	19/3	J Mihalarias, C Harriss

School Support Group - We are holding a book stall at the Creative Berowra Markets on Sunday 11th March. Please leave any book donations at the office.

Don't forget to get your tickets for the disco on Friday 23rd March. Great fun with DJ Mark.

Wednesday 14th March is PJ Mufti Day. See separate note.

Our next meeting is on Tuesday 27th March at 9:30am. We will also be holding our AGM at this meeting. If you want to be an active member of the Support Group and be able to have a vote on issues at meetings you need to attend the AGM and join for 50c. Toddlers welcome and morning tea is provided.

Uniform Shop - The Uniform Shop Committee is looking for a volunteer—a qualified accountant or bookkeeper—to professionally audit the Uniform Shop's books. Please contact Tammy on 9456 7973 to discuss any further information.

General information

- 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

Thursday	8/3	S Williams, R Stoner, G Smith
Monday	12/3	V Eliasson, J McKendrick
Thursday	15/3	C Harriss, L Peltonen, C Chui
Monday	19/3	L Sharp, T Allen

The Uniform Shop Committee

Congratulations to all stage 2 children

Your behaviour was perfect on Tuesday 6/3/12 on your excursion to the Australian Technology Park, Redfern. BPS teachers were complimented on our well behaved students.

A great time was had by all!

Diary Dates

PJ Mufti Day	Wed	14/3
BPS Disco	Fri	23/3
SSG meeting & AGM at 9:30am	Tues	27/3
Canteen Pizza Day	Tues	27/3
Easter Church Service	Wed	4/4
K-6 Hat Parade	Wed	4/4
End of Term 1	Thurs	5/4
Staff Development Day	Mon	23/4
Students return	Tues	24/4
ANZAC Day holiday	Wed	25/4
K-6 Cross Country	Thurs	3/5
NAPLAN for Years 3 & 5	Tues-Thurs	8-10/5
Mothers Day Stall	Tues & Wed	8&9/5
Canteen Hot Dog Day	Tues	15/5
Kindy 2013 Information morning 10am	Thurs	17/5
Kindy 2013 Information evening 7pm	Mon	21/5
BOOSH Choc Drive	Mon	21/5
UNSW Computer Competition	Tues	22/5
Band excursion to Sydney Symphony Orchestra	Thurs	24/5
Zone Cross Country	Mon	28/5
UNSW Science Competition	Wed	6/6
Queens Birthday Public Holiday	Mon	11/6
Canteen 'red' Food Day	Tues	12/6
Jump Rope for Heart Day	Wed	13/6
Dance Festival	Mon-Thurs	18-28/6
UNSW Writing Competition	Mon	18/6
UNSW Spelling Competition	Tues	19/6
K-6 Athletics Carnival at Foxglove Oval	Tues	26/6
Last day of Term 2	Friday	29/6
Staff Development Day	Mon	16/7
Students return	Tues	17/7

Thank you to Thomson Landscape Supplies for supplying sand for the sandpit.

Thank you also to the School Support Group for the donation of the sandpit play equipment.



CLASS MERIT AWARDS

K Blue	Caitlin J, Mac T, Caitlan F, Jaylah B
K Red	Orlando J, Emalee P, Jake D, Millie T
K Yellow	Oliver G, Kamden H, Tim C, Abbie S
1A	Kiana L, Matthew C, Ryan C, Bronte L
1P	Emma B, Patrick H, Kaitlyn K, Samantha S
2K	Cody L, Bradley A, Sophie S, Elizabeth G, Daniel H, Kyle B
2W	Patrick W, Luka J, Ella L, Annika E
2/3B	Andrew S, Zachary G, Riley B, Chloe G, Peter M, Isara W, Jasmine M
3M	Marco D, Ewan B
3/4P	Renee B, Byron C, Emily A, Alice C, Joshua J, Tahnee B
4E	Connor A, Eileen L, Ben H, Aaron M, Lachlan R, Sarah W
4/5C	Katrina T, Samantha T, Mitchell B, Chloe P
5G	Tamara B, Lilly S, Nico D, Bonnie P, Charlotte S
6A	Sandra M, Hannah P, Andrew B, Damian F, Ben B, Caitlin E
6W	Edward B, Laura B, Sam F, Caitlin B, Rhian D, Brendan G

Community News -

St Ives High School 2013 Year 7 Gifted & Talented Assessment Test will be held on Monday 2nd April. Application forms available at www.sih.s.nsw.edu.au. No application will be accepted after Wednesday 21st March. Phone 9144 1689 for further information.

Mount Colah Football Club is looking for more players for our **under 12 girls' team** (must be born in the year 2000 or 2001). Contact Michelle Bocalatte, Junior Girls Convenor, Phone 9476 1184 for further details.

HAVE YOU CHANGED YOUR CONTACT DETAILS??



Please make sure you advise the school of any changes to your details - particularly your phone numbers which are used in the case of an emergency, as well as changes to your address.



Phone the school office on 9456 1319

Fun at the BPS Swimming Carnival



**REMINDER
BPS DANCE PARTY**



A reminder that the next school dance party is being held on Friday 23rd March 2012 in the hall.

Money and permission notes need to be returned to the class teacher by Tuesday 20th March. Tickets will be issued after this date.



Get ready for a great night! Don't miss out!



Any questions call Carolyn 0412 502 025 or Jodi 0418 162 590

MONEY COLLECTION DAYS

Please note that money collection days at Berowra Public School are **Tuesdays** and **Thursdays** only.



For security of payments it would be appreciated if money only be sent to school on these days in a signed payment envelope.

We have only two days a week allocated to receipt money so please remind your child to give it to their teacher in the morning as receipting and banking are completed during the day. Correct money is appreciated as the office is unable to hold change.

Please do not hand payments in after school. Handing money into the office may result in confusion and your child's name not being marked off as paid for excursions, sport and activities.

Any payments for the choir, drama, interschool sport or extra curricular activities as well as P&C or Support Group fundraisers and banking can also be handed to the class teacher.

Thank you for your cooperation.

2012 Swimming Carnival Results

		1st	2nd	3rd	4th
Boys Senior Medley		Callum W			
Girls Senior Medley		Kirstyn S	Hannah P	Katherine T	Sandra M
50m Freestyle					
8 Years	Boys	Lachlan B	Michael C	Giuliano C	Daniel W
	Girls	Zarli V	Nia D	Talfany M-H	Amy S
9 Years					
	Boys	Ty W	Ben W	Sam P	Jeremy J
	Girls	Chloe T	Mackenzie W	Eliza R	Samantha T
10 Years					
	Boys	Sebastian E	Andrew C	Kyle L-W	Daniel M
	Girls	Chelsea W	Rachel W	Carla S	Katie W
11 Years					
	Boys	Edward B	Cooper D	Matthew M	Parsa D
	Girls	Hannah P	Ella W	Kirstyn S	Ella T
12 Years					
	Boys	Alec L	Max T	Callum W	Daniel H
	Girls	Rhian D	Santhi S	Katherine T	Caitlin R
50m Breaststroke					
Junior	Boys	Lachlan B	Sebastian E	Sam A	Kyle L-W
	Girls	Chelsea W	Rachel W	Nia D	Carla S
11 Years	Boys	Edward B	Matthew M	Cooper D	Aaron S
	Girls	Zoe P	Kirstyn S	Isabel P	Ella T
12 Years	Boys	Alec L	Max T	Tor Wei L	Callum W
	Girls	Rhian D	Santhi S	Katherine T	Caitlin R
50m Backstroke					
Junior	Boys	Lachlan B	Sebastian E	Andrew C	Jarrod H
	Girls	Rachel W	Carla S	Freya S	Chloe T
11 Years	Boys	Edward B	Cooper D	Andrew B	Daniel A
	Girls	Hannah P	Kirstyn S	Ella W	Isabella G
12 Years	Boys	Daniel H	Alec L	Cameron J	Max T
	Girls	Rhian D	Santhi S	Katherine T	Sandra M
50m Butterfly					
Junior	Boys	Ty W			
	Girls	Freya S			
11 Years	Boys	Cooper D			
	Girls	Hannah P	Kirstyn S		
12 Years	Boys	Callum W	Daniel L	Joe P	Thomas M-T
	Girls	Rhian D	Santhi S	Katherine T	Sandra M
100m Freestyle					
Open	Boys	Alec L	Cooper D	Edward B	Lachlan B
Open	Girls	Rhian D	Santhi S	Hannah P	Kirstyn S
Relays					
Junior	Boys	Koala	Emu	Kangaroo	
Junior	Girls	Koala	Wombal	Emu	Kangaroo
Senior	Boys	Koala	Wombat	Emu	Kangaroo
Senior	Girls	Kangaroo	Koala	Wombat	Emu
Overall House Places		Koala	Kangaroo	Wombat	Emu

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