Welcome back to another busy and exciting term!

This term students will be busy with assessment tasks and assessments ready for their mid-year reports. Best of luck for all our Year 3 and Year 5 students, as they will sit the NAPLAN test in Week 3 of this term. The UNSW computer, science, writing and spelling tests will be this term as well.

Staff News

We welcome a few new staff members to Berowra this term. At the end of last term we farewelled: Mrs Wynn (1W), Mrs Wilkinson (5/6W), Mrs Lee (Office and Library) and Mr Chivers (Learning and Support Teacher).

This term we welcome - Mr Dominic Parkinson who is now teaching 1P (formally 1W); Miss Sarah Griffin who is now teaching 5/6G (formally 5/6W); Mrs Grassick – who will be taking Library on Mondays.

We also welcome Mrs Jacqui Clayton (who I am sure 'some' of you may know). Mrs Clayton is working with Stage 2 and 3 students, where she will be working on an Enrichment Program with our Years 3-6 children. Thanks again to the P&C and all parents who supported the fund raising in the last year to be able to offer this amazing opportunity to our

Also, with our staff news, on behalf of the students, staff and parents I would like to congratulate Miss Allan on her engagement during the holidays. She is very excited and we are all looking forward to being her bridesmaids or flower girls at the wedding!! Congrats from all of us Miss Allan!

Sport

All students (K-6) will wear their sports uniforms on Fridays this term. Oh! On Sunday 21st April, students from Except for this week when they will wear it tomorrow (Thursday) for the I Berowra Public School participated in Cross Country Carnival and then again on Friday.

School Grounds

Please be mindful that before and after school children should not be riding bikes or scooters on the playground - including pre-schoolers etc. Also, please encourage the wearing of helmets at all times.

Children are not to be climbing or hanging from trees (especially in the picnic area / near the front gates).

Children are not to be on the equipment unsupervised before or after school. If parents are busy talking to teachers or other parents or working in the uniform shop, children should not be allowed to go and play on the equipment unsupervised.

Please adhere to these guidelines – it is purely to keep your children safe.

BPS Website

Our website is continually being updated and we are trying to keep it up to date. I have added a term calendar (PDF) under the section, "Our School". I have also added it to the end of this edition of the Crest. Please understand that some dates may change.

For the PSSA Draw - check the website. It is in the section titled, 'Sport" PDF - Winter PSSA Draw.

Woolworths -Earn and Learn

The Earn & Learn Program for Woolworths has begun. The Office ladies have been busy preparing the boxes and sheets. So please, if you shop at Woolworths bring your stickers to school and place them in the box in the Office foyer. Ask relatives and friends to help. The rewards are generous and bring many valuable resources to our school.

the Berowra ANZAC Day March.

It began at 11:am at the Berowra Soccer Clubhouse and marched along Berowra Waters Road to the Cenetaph at Berowra Community Centre.

A formal ceremony was held there in remembrance of lives sacrificed in war protecting our wonderful nation.

Dignitaries from the Australian armed forces, RSL, council and parliament were present along with local schools, community groups and a large number of the public.

To these past heroes, the soldiers, we owe our lives.

LEST WE FORGET

By Kirstyn S 5/6T



Thank You

- To the Uniform Shop for your generous donation of another set of soccer shirts for our PSSA teams
- To Lisa and Jeff Tutton and Michelle (BOOSH Director) for cordoning off the front of BOOSH and KRed verandah the other evening, after we were vandalised in the worse way during the holidays. BPS is very fortunate to have such supportive parents and community members.

Congratulations

- Peter M (4P) who was runner-up in the L J Hooker Easter colouring competition and won a Rebel Sport Gift Voucher. Peter's colouring in is now on display in the office.
- Parsa D (5/6T) who is now Wombat Sport's House Captain
- Cooper D and James R (5/6J) who represented Hornsby/Kuring-gai Zone at the Area Soccer Trials last term. They displayed excellent skills and sportsmanship but were not selected for the area team. Well done boys you were exceptional ambassadors for both Berowra Public School and Hornsby Zone PSSA.
- Suzuki Graduation Concert Dr S Thorvaldson's Advanced Recorder Ensembles played at the "Suzuki Graduation Concert" at the Sydney Opera House on Sunday 5th May. These students had a chance to play on stage with about 40 other flute/recorder students. Congratulations to
 - Ryan J
 - * Imogen L
 - Kiana L
 - Fiona T (Fiona also sang in the choir)
 - Katrina T (Katrina also received her graduation certificate for recorder level 1)
 - * Danielle F

Opportunity Classes for 2014

Applications for Opportunity Classes for year 5 in 2014 are available online from Monday 6th May. 'Intention to apply ' letters are at the end of this Crest. The bottom half of the letter contains a tear-off slip. Parents making an application for Opportunity Class (OC) placement must send the tear-off slip back to school indicating their intention to apply and stating whether the application will be online or on a printed application form. Applications close on Friday, 17 May and late applications will not be accepted.

2014 Kindergarten Information Sessions

If you know of any parent who is considering sending their child next year to Berowra Public School (Kindergarten), please let them know that we are running Kindergarten Information Sessions on Monday, 13th May at 7pm in the KRed classroom and on Thursday, 23rd May at 10am in the KRed classroom. Flyers have been sent to all local pre-schools and day care centres.

Winning House Sausage Sizzle

Many thanks to the Canteen for supplying our Term 1 Winning House Sausage Sizzle on Thursday, 2nd May. The Koalas enjoyed the sausage sandwich, drink and iceblock. Congratulations again Koalas. Our Term 2 Winning House Sausage Sizzle will be held on Thursday, 27th June.

Safe for sale!

Don't forget we have a large safe 800mm x 800mm x 1.8m approx. for tender. Please contact me if you are interested.

Dianne Bower, Principal

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- * Every Tuesday morning at the canteen from 8:50-9:20am
- * There is no minimum deposit required
- New rewards and certificates for consistent banking
- * Promotes good saving habits
- See the coordinators for details

CLASS MERIT AWARDS

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	1C	Luke M, Anthony L
	1W	A Keane, Monique C, Maximus V, Mitchell G
	4P	Emily A, Anisha K, Elin D
	5/6J	Lachlan C, Dylan P, Quinn J
	5/6T	Byron C, Nakita B, Tamara B

<u>MUSIC NEWS</u> - <u>Band</u> - First I want to welcome everyone back to term 2, I hope everyone enjoyed the break - didn't we have great weather!

We started the term with a fantastic performance by the Concert band at Wideview fete. Great playing everyone, a polished and enjoyable performance. I was very proud of the musicians and all the hard work they are doing. Training band is just getting to grips with band music, some of the concert band children will be coming in to mentor the children at rehearsals. Concert band and the ensemble will both be performing this term at assemblies. Keep up the practice - little and often is the key!

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

<u>Guitar Group</u> - In the final week of Term 1, a small group of beginner BPS guitar students performed on the hall stage, during assembly in front of the whole school. The group consisted of 7 beginner acoustic guitar students: *Lilly L, Chelsea C, Daniel M, Lachie C, Daniel A, Isabella E, Sam A* and 2 vocalists: *Tamara B and Sam A*.

For most of these kids, who have been learning how to play the guitar for less than 1 year, it was a pretty scary experience - getting up there and performing for the very first time on their instruments. They all did a great job however — impressively performing three popular songs with proficiency



for a *very* enthusiastic school audience, who joined in the fun by clapping along and singing too! It was a *very* proud moment for me – well done kids!

Sue Blackman (Guitar Tutor)

<u>Recorder</u> - On Friday the 12th to Sunday the 14th April, I was chosen to go to the Sydney Schools Recorder Camp held at Stanwell Tops. There were around 100 students, aged 10-15 from other public schools attending the camp. I was the only person going to the camp from Berowra Public School. However, there were two former Berowra Public School students (they are now in high school), that I knew and I travelled with them.

When I arrived there I was signed in and told my room was number 19. When I got in my room there was no one else there yet, so I went to see Brittany and Devika. About five minutes later I went back to my room to make my bed and soon after making my bed my first roommate came. Her name was Alex. She was really nice and cheerful. She had brought a puzzle book so we did it together. We were half way through the book when another girl came in she was really shy so we helped her. Not that long after two more girls came in. Then it was time to go downstairs to our first meeting.

We were told all about recorder camp, and then we split up into our audition groups. The Trebles stayed in the

meeting room, and each of us had to play individually. From this audition we were placed into 3 different groups – they were called Handel, Telemann and Bach. We played 2 pieces before having some supper and then heading off to bed.

We woke up at 6:00am, but we had to wait until breakfast which was at 8:00am. It was amazing – we had bacon, eggs, toast, cereal, yoghurt and baked beans. We were allowed seconds, and thirds, and fourths (although none of us could manage this). It was like a king's meal – and this was repeated each time we ate.

After breakfast we were told what ensembles we were placed in. I was in Telemann. We then practised with our ensembles until morning tea and then repeated this until lunch. After lunch, we had the time of our lives! We went go-carting. It was fun, fast and furious. We rode on pedal powered go-carts that took some getting used to, but were really speedy. After getting used to the carts we were divided into teams and raced each other.

Following the go-carting, we continued our music program with rehearsals, afternoon tea, more rehearsals, dinner, even more rehearsals, game time (my favourite game was the prince of Paris), supper and bed.

The next day was our last day of camp and we woke up at 6:30am, had breakfast and did more rehearsals, By this time

Student Parliament Motions

On the first week back to school this term, Berowra Public School had a parliament session on Thursday 2nd May.

At parliament we had three motions brought up from different classes.

- we should have signs in the toilets for washing hands so we don't catch the flu; this was seconded but this motion didn't pass.
- We should get another playground equipment for infants because it is really dangerous as the equipment is used by everyone. This motion was strongly seconded and eventually passed and went to the Minister for Sport.
- We should get new toilets as they are really old. This motion was seconded by many people, passed and has gone to the Minister for Health and Safety.

After the last motion parliament was closed.

Tamara B
Parliament Secretary

my tongue was sore from playing so much recorder. The rest of the day was dedicated to preparing for our end of camp concert. At the concert we played for an audience of family members. We played many different pieces in our ensembles and as a whole camp group. My favourite piece was "The Fandango Tango" by Tracy Burjan, our composer in residence.

Overall, this camp was totally amazing and I can't wait until next year!! By Katrina T 5/6J

<u>P & C NEWS</u> - A HUGE thank you to everyone who attended the Trivia night, dressed up, bought raffle tickets, helped out before/on the night and donated time, skill, effort and items for the raffle and prizes. It was a fantastic night and raised approximately \$3,000.

As mentioned in the last Crest, funds were donated to the school for the following items:

- 1. \$5,000 for interactive projectors for the Music Room and 3C.
- 2. \$10,000 to support teacher time for Stage 2 and 3 children introduction of an enrichment program
- 3. \$5,000 for 15 Samsung Galaxy tablets to be used in the Kindergarten and Year 6 rooms.

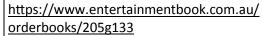
Happy planting to everyone who ordered from the Spring Bulbs catalogue – \$519.40 was raised. This could not have happened without Renee Stoner's hard work – thank you very much!

		Diary Dates
May		
9	Thurs	BPS Cross Country
10	Fri	Last day for Stewart House donation drive envelopes
13	Mon	Kindy Information Session 7pm
14-16	Tu-Th	NAPLAN for Years 3 & 5
15	Wed	Canteen Soup Day
16	Thurs	Class parent catch-up 2:30
20	Mon	P & C Meeting 7:30p in staffroom
21	Tues	Aust Schools Computer competition
22	Wed	P&C Mufti Day
23	Thurs	Kindy Information Session 10am
25	Sat	Bunnings BBQ
27	Mon	Zone Cross Country
31	Fri	Voices for Reconciliation - choir
June		
3	Mon	School photos
4	Tues	Band preschool tour
5	Wed	Aust Schools Science competition
10	Mon	Queen's Birthday public holiday
17	Mon	Aust Schools Writing competition
17	Mon	Hornsby Music Festival rehearsal
18	Tues	Athletics Carnival @ Foxglove Oval
19	Tues	Aust Schools Spelling competition
21	Fri	School Disco
25	Tues	Interrelate 6pm & 7:15pm
27	Thurs	Winning sport house sausage sizzle
28	Fri	Last Day of Term 2
15	Mon	Staff Development Day
16	Tues	Students return for Term 3

This term the school will be running the Thornleigh Bunnings BBQ Saturday 25th May. Help will be needed on the day – contact Chris Chu if you can help.

Thanks also to everyone for the amazing baking and sales work on the book and cake stalls at the April Creative Berowra markets. A total of \$785.40 was raised for School Support Group & P&C.

Entertainment books are also available to order online. \$13 from each book sold goes back to the school and each book is packed with hundreds of offers. Full Details are at the back of The Crest.



We are still looking for a Maintenance Officer so if you can help with this please contact the office or Katrina Gates.

Minutes from the P&C meetings are now included on the school website.

The next P&C meeting is Monday 20th May 2013, 7:30 pm, staff room – all welcome.

NOTES YOU MAY HAVE MISSED						
Sent Out	Subject	Distribution	Response			
20/2	Classroom resources	K-6	9/4			
14/3	Senior Choir fee	Senior Choir	ASAP			
28/3	Dance Groups fee	Dance Groups	2/5			
1/5	Canteen soup day	K-6	13/5			
1/5	Before school fitness	Yrs 4,5&6	ASAP			
1/5	After school maths support	Yrs 5 & 6	ASAP			
6/5	Netball training	Netball teams	-			
8/5	Voices for Reconciliation	Choir	27/5			
8/5	Computer lessons	Yrs 5 & 6	ASAP			
8/5	Term 2 Milk Order Form	K-2	17/5			
8/5	PSSA soccer, netball & AFL	PSSA	16/5			
8/5	Voluntary School Contribution	K-2	ASAP			
8/5	Canberra & ski excursionst	Yrs 5 & 6	29			

CANTEEN - Canteen Roster

Thursday 9/5 J Anderson, C Stone
Friday 10/5 C Harriss, L Plumridge
Monday 13/5 K Carter, C Harriss
Thursday 16/5 C Parker, F Minto
Friday 17/5 M Charlton, C Jones
Mon 20/5 L Dobson, R Walton

STOP PRESS

Congratulations to Mrs Amanda Wilkinson and her husband Nick on the recent birth of their beautiful daughter, Sophie Anne.

Born Monday 6th May, 3.765kg and

51cm long.

Mum and bub happy and healthy.

UNIFORM SHOP - Uniform Shop General Information

- Opening —MON 9–10am & THURS 3–3.30pm
- No cash refunds available, cheque only (Uniform Shop cheques will be cancelled if they are not presented within 12 months of the date of issue)
- · All returns need to have a returns form attached

Uniform Shop Roster

Thursday 9/5 G Staniland, R Stoner, G Smith

Monday 13/5 V Eliasson, J McKendrick, S Prosser

Thursday 16/5 C Harriss, M Charlton, S Williams

Monday 20/5 C Cooke, J West, S Drake

COMMUNITY NEWS

Berowra Musical Society presents OLIVER! Come and support current BPS students amongst the cast.

When: Saturday 25/5 8pm, Sunday 26/5 2pm, Friday 31/5 8pm & Saturday 1/6 2pm & 8pm.

Where: Berowra Community Centre, The Gully Road Tickets: Adults \$25, Concession \$20, Family \$75

Bookings: www.bmsi.org.au

PCYC Blue Light Disco - "Blue Light is Back". Great DJ and karaoke.

When: Saturday 25th May 4:30-7:30pm

Where: Hornsby Kuring-gai PCYC Performing Arts Centre, 22 Waitara Ave Waitara

Tickets: \$9 (sibling discount, \$5 pp) Prebookings essential Phone: 9477 2310 or email Hornsby@pcycnsw.org.au

<u>Go4Fun - Healthy Active Happy Kids</u> - Are you worried about your child's weight? Go4Fun is a free fun program for kids to become fitter, healthier & happier. GO4Fun runs for 10 weeks during school term for children & their parents. Sessions are run twice a week on Monday &Wednesday from 4:30 to 6:30pm at Hornsby PCYC & include games, activities, tips on healthy food, label reading & portion sizes plus much more.

To find out more phone 1800 780 900 or online at www.mendcentral.org/go4fun.

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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 <u>only</u> 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 sport, excursions and activities.

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

Thank you for your cooperation.

Term 2

Berowra Public School

Term	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT
Week 1	29 April <mark>SDD</mark>	30 April STUDENTS RETURN School Support Group Meeting 9:30am staffroom PRINCIPAL'S MORNING TEA	1 May 7pm School Reference Group Meeting	2 May Student Parliament-12:45pm Winning House Sauzage Sizzle (Term 1)	3 May Winter PSSA	4 5 May
2	6 Мау	7 May Mother's Day Stall	8 May Dence Group Auditions at Hornsby Nth PS	9 May K-6 Cross Country	10 May Winter PSSA	11 12 May
3	13 May 7pm 2014 Kindergarten Information Session	14 May NAPLAN	15 May NAPLAN CANTEEN SOUP DAY	16 May NAPLAN Whole School Assembly 12:45pm 2:30pm Class Parent Meeting	17 May Winter PSSA	18 19 May
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8	17 June ICAS Writing Homsby Music Festival Rehearsal 9:30am @ Homsby Nth PS. Senior Choir 7:30pm PB. C Meeting	18 June BPS ATHLETICS CARNIVAL at Foxglove Oval	19 June ICAS Spelling	20 June Whole School Assembly 12:45pm	21 June Winter PSSA School Disco	22 23 June
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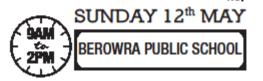
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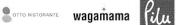
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Intention to apply: Year 5 entry to an opportunity class in 2014

Dear Parent/Carer

Government schools use a range of strategies to meet the educational needs of gifted and talented students. One strategy is opportunity class placement which provides intellectual stimulation and an educationally enriched environment for gifted and talented students.

Offers for opportunity class placement will be made on the basis of the Opportunity Class Placement Test results and school assessment. The Opportunity Class Placement Test will be held on Wednesday 24 July 2013.

If you would like to apply for opportunity class placement in Year 5 in 2014 on behalf of your child, you need to do so soon.

1. Apply on the internet and submit your application online. You will need to have an email address (not the student's email address), access to the internet and a printer.

Detailed instructions on how to apply online will be available from 29 April 2013 at: www.schools.nsw.edu.au/ocplacement

or

2. If you do not have internet access, complete a commercially printed application form and return it to this school by 17 May 2013.

The applications will be processed by the school in exactly the same way whether you apply online or submit a commercially printed form. Parents are to submit only **one** application for each student.

Yours sincerely

Di Bower Principal

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Intention to apply: Year 5 entry to an opportunity class in 2014

Student's name: _______ Class: _______

I am interested in applying for opportunity class placement in 2014 Yes No No If Yes:
I have internet access and will be applying online Yes No If Yes If Yes No If Yes No If Yes If Yes No If Yes If

Note: This is an expression of interest only, NOT an application. You will need to submit either an online or a paper application for your child to be considered for placement.