



Berowra

Public School

The Crest

Wednesday 24th July 2013
Term 3 Week 2

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Welcome Back

It is lovely seeing our students returning to school refreshed after the recent vacation and ready for Term 3. This term is a productive and full term and we look forward to achieving many things in the next ten weeks. Some of the programs are: NIDA Drama performances, Education Week, NAIDOC Day, Band Excursion, Book Week activities, Stage 3 Canberra/snow excursion, swimming scheme, Festival of Instrumental Music (recorder), Hornsby Music Festival, Berowra Musica, Teddy Bear's Picnic, Muogamurra Excursion, Tuesday before-school fitness, after-school maths groups, as well as outstanding teaching and learning programs occurring in our classrooms.

Thank you to the teachers and parents who are working tirelessly to ensure all our programs are of an exceptional standard. We are very lucky at BPS to have such dedicated teachers who give freely of their time for our students – some of the 'extra' programs we have running are:

- Dance groups
- Drama groups
- PSSA sports groups
- Band Program
- Recorder groups
- Choirs
- Before school fitness
- Years 4, 5 and 6 after school maths groups
- Gardening groups

Thankyou to Mr & Mrs Bolger and Mr & Mrs Butler who gave up their weekend to dig up the vegie garden.

A Good Place to Start...

Let's begin the term well so that the school community continues to be a supportive co-operative one where all students, parents and cultures are valued and students learn in a safe happy environment.

Some important points to remember are ...

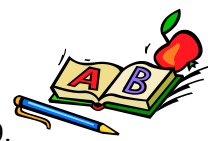
- Motorists need to drive safely in the streets surrounding the school remembering to use the Kiss & Drop Zones responsibly. This means avoiding stopping in NO STOPPING Zones, double parking and parking across driveways (especially the staff car park).
- Parents must not approach any child other than their own child in the school playground or as a child travels home from school. This happens when a parent wants to discuss a problem their child is experiencing at school. Concerns should be discussed with school staff who will speak to all children involved.
- Parents should not enter the school car park between 7.45am and 4.30pm. At 8.15am this morning I noted two cars departing the car park, well after designated times. I have also witnessed parents driving extremely fast into and

ENROL NOW FOR KINDERGARTEN 2014

Enrolments for Kindergarten are well underway.

If your child or you know of a child ready to start school next year make sure they are enrolled. Our orientation programs begin this term and we would hate you to miss out. Kindy Fun Day 18th September, Ready-Steady-Go Program commencing Week 2 Term 4 and Orientation Day 13th November.

For more information contact the school office on 9456 1319.



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 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.

exiting the car park. Also, please do not walk on the car park entrance road into the school – this is very dangerous and a bad example to our children.

- With changes to the pick-up arrangements of your child/ren, please inform the office as well as the class teacher. Emailing the teacher is a fantastic idea, but unfortunately sometimes teachers are unable to check their emails until after school. If changes are happening on the day we ask that you ring the office **WELL BEFORE** the end of the day to ensure that the message is received. Also, if you email a teacher please allow at least 24 hours for a reply.

Congratulations to:-

- Katrina T (5/6J) A+ in her Grade 3 Viola Exam
- Katrina T (5/6J) – accepted into State Music Camp last week
- Sam P (5/6J) – placed 4th at Area Cross Country Carnival last Friday. Sam will now be competing at the National Cross Country Carnival later this month. An amazing accomplishment! Good luck from all of us for nationals, Sam.
- Both girls and boys dance groups for their amazing performances during the last week of Term 2 at the Sydney North Dance Festival.

Uniforms

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 school 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. Some children definitely need new hats as their out of shape hats do not protect them from the sun and they are so misshapen that they will not be allowed to represent our school wearing these hats.

Boys need to wear grey ankle socks with the uniform. Please ensure these school socks are not ‘secret socks’ and can be seen over their ankles!

Discus

Any child who would like to be considered for the discus event at the Zone Athletics Carnival, could you please bring in your Little A records. All records or photocopies need to be left at the office – please ensure your child’s name is on the sheet/book and they are in by Friday, 2nd August.

Resilience and our children

“Life is not about what happens to us but what we do about it”

As much as we would like to defend our kids from the difficulties in life, from experiencing crisis, change or loss, we cannot! However, we can give our kids the tools to recover from difficult times when they arise.

For kids, changing seats in the classroom, a friend saying, "I'm not your friend anymore", or not being invited to play during a break can be "the end of the world". Still, the way kids (and adults) deal with these difficulties is what sets kids apart.

Resilience is part of our emotional intelligence. When faced with a problem, resilient people focus on finding a solution rather than getting depressed and feeling like victims. Resilience is another name to emotional strength.

As parents (and teachers), our role is it to help our kids respond positively and with strength.

Our lives are not determined by what happens to us but by how we react to what happens, not by what life brings us, but by the attitude to what we bring to life.

A positive attitude causes a chain reaction of positive thoughts, events and outcomes.

Talented kids - how hard should you push them?

Rachel Friend asks experts and parents of talented children how much of their success is due to natural ability and how hard we should push our kids to succeed. Find out more: <http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing/development/talented-kids-how-hard-to-push>.

Student Parliament

On Thursday 18 July, first week back from school holidays, Berowra Public School had a parliament session.

Mrs Bower, our Principal, raised a motion that Berowra Public School should raise money from a mufti day for ‘Beyond Blue’, which is a charity for teens and adults to help with depression and anxiety of any type.

This motion passed and went to the Minister for Functions and Social Services and the Treasurer took part of this motion as well.

We also had two other motions that didn’t pass which were that we should raise the bubblers for the older kids and our school should get a fitness circuit.

Tamara- Secretary of B.P.S Parliament

Budding filmmakers

Here's a project for the next school holidays: have your kids create an entry for the Trop Jr Film Festival. In the process they'll learn something about scripting, shooting, editing and copyright.

Find out more: <http://tropfest.com/tropjr/>

Homemade muesli bars

Here's a recipe for muesli bars that will prove popular with children of all ages, yet it contains only half the sugar and fat of their shop-bought equivalents. Find out more: <http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing/food/recipes/cakes-biscuits-and-treats/nutfree-muesli-bars>

Di Bower

Principal

LIBRARY NEWS - OUR BOOK FAIR IS COMING!

On Open Day, Tuesday 30th July, we will be holding our annual Book Fair. Books will be available for sale from 10.00am until 2.30pm outside the Library. There will be books for all ages from Kindergarten to Year 6 ranging in price from \$4.00 to \$25.00. It's a great opportunity to stock up on books for birthdays, Christmas or a special gift for your child.

The children love 'shopping' for a book, and parents, grandparents and friends will be helping the school, as a percentage of the sales, goes towards new resources for the Library. There will also be a "Book Donation" table with books that teachers would love to have in the school Library collection.

So, thank you parents in advance for your ongoing support of the Library, helping it to be a place full of the joy and wonder of reading and learning for all of our children.

DRAMA NEWS - This week has been a very exciting one for our junior and senior drama students. On Monday 60 budding thespians travelled by bus to the Parade Theatre, NIDA at Kensington for their technical and dress rehearsal. They did so well to perform in a real theatre situation with lighting, sound and the technical crew and were a credit to our school.

On Wednesday night it will be the actual performance beginning at 7pm. The junior drama students will create characters from "The Land of Story" and the senior students will show how to gain "The Keys to Success", as they continue on their life journey.

So once again our very talented performers will be heading for the city to take their place alongside 50 other schools for the Arts North Festival of Drama 2013. I'm sure they will do us proud and gain great confidence from such an experience.

Good luck to all and thank you parents for your unending support and encouragement.

Dramatically yours
Jennie Smith

NEWS FROM THE SCHOOL VEGIE GARDEN - Many Stage 2 children enjoyed the outdoors and learnt more about sustainability this week when they joined with a team from the Bunnings stores at Thornleigh and Gordon to replant the school vegie patch.

The event, which was part of the Planet Ark's Tree

Stewart House Clothing Appeal



It's time for a clean out of those cupboards!
Stewart House are again asking for donations of clean clothing.

Please return your Stewart House bag to the staffroom foyer by Monday 5th August.

The truck is coming later in the next week so no more bags after this date please.



NAIDOC Week

Berowra Public School will be celebrating NAIDOC Week on Tuesday 6th August.

This is a whole school indigenous program celebrating our history and culture and links to our National Curriculum.

The day begins with a welcoming/opening ceremony performance. Students will then break into groups and rotate through activities such as Aboriginal art, Aboriginal song and dance, artefacts, weaving, weaponry, a didgeridoo workshop, bush survival, bush tucker and Aboriginal face painting.

The day finishes with a farewell closing ceremony, 'Corroboree' Aboriginal song and dance performance with student, teacher and parent participation.

The cost for the day is \$11.00 per student.

Please return money to your class teacher by Tuesday 30th July in a signed permission envelope on a money collection



Day initiative, was organised by one of our hard working parents, Ms Christine Chu who also spent the morning working with the students.

Bunnings were very generous in their support providing bags of soil, mulch and enough punnets of seasonal vegetable seedlings to replant the whole garden. Kindergarten Red joined in the fun by pulling down the spent choko vine from the fence.

The winter harvest from the garden this year was not as plentiful as had been expected due to rabbits getting the best of our crop. Fortunately, steps are underway to rabbit proof the fence to preserve this season's crop.

Despite there being little to share from the garden, the lemonade lemon tree was laden and Stage 2 harvested this and the lemons formed the basis for a morning tea which they shared with Ms Chu and the Bunnings staff.

Stage 2 greatly appreciated the morning and look forward to working with other classes in the school to look after the garden.

Marilyn Bolger on behalf of the Garden Committee



BAND NEWS - Welcome back to Term 3. We have a busy term of performances ahead of us. Both bands are sounding great! Please contact me if you have any concerns.

Amanda Gillard

P&C NEWS - Welcome back to Term 3, we hope you all had a great holiday!

Last term was very busy so apologies for not many updates via The Crest. The last P&C meeting was 17th June and the minutes are up on the school website. The next meeting is scheduled for Monday 19th August, 7:30pm, in the Staff Room (there is no meeting scheduled for July).

This term we are trying another new fundraising idea - an Adidas School 'Fun-Run' on Friday 6th September. The event will be run during normal sport times and will most likely consist of a variety of activities rather than just a plain run. If you can help with this event in any capacity please contact Katrina Gates 0409 837 344. We'll send more details out in the coming weeks.

CANTEEN - Canteen Roster

Thursday 25/7	M Trieble, L Puckeridge
Friday 26/7	E Bedwin, K Wallis
Wednesday 31/7	
Thursday 1/8	G Smith, P Smith
Friday 2/8	V Eliasson, T White
Wednesday 7/8	

Canteen opening days from Term 3

Wednesday, Thursday and Friday

Lunchtime Special Days are
every 2nd Tuesday during Term 3.

CANTEEN LUNCHTIME SPECIAL DAYS

Tues 6th August	Burrito Day	Choice of chicken or beef mince with avocado, lettuce, tomato & sour cream	\$3.50 each
Tues 20th August	Pizza Day	Choice of cheese, Hawaiian, or pepperoni	\$2.00 per slice
Tues 3rd September	Boscaiola Pasta Day	Pasta with bacon, onion & mushroom served with or without garlic bread	\$4.00 with garlic bread \$3.50 without garlic bread
Tues 17th September	Hot Dog Day	Hot dog with a choice of cheese, mustard and sauce	\$3.00 each

****** As the canteen has to order for special days, no late orders can be accepted ******
after the closing date on order forms

Berowra Public School Open Day and Book Fair

Tuesday 30th July

10:00am Open Day Concert commences in the hall. Every child in the school is performing plus the band and the recorder group, the junior choir and the speaking competition finalists. Tea, coffee and cake are also available from 10:00am.

11:20am Recess. Parents and friends are invited to purchase tea, coffee and cakes and have morning tea with their child/children.

11:50am Open classrooms - come and view your child's work and see some of the exciting things that are happening in their classrooms.

Scholastic Book Fair - feel free to visit the library COLA where you will have a chance to purchase quality books for your children or purchase books to donate to the school library.

1.00pm Lunch - There will be a sausage sizzle in the canteen area with sausage sandwiches available for purchase or you may wish to just enjoy a picnic lunch with your children.

2.00pm BPS Rock Band Concert featuring our very own school rock bands. The whole school will attend and parents are welcome to stay

Looking forward to a great day.

Sam Parry is off to Tassie!!

Sam Parry represented our area in the NSW Combined Schools Cross Country Event on Friday 19th July and we are thrilled to announce Sam came home in a very close 4th place, just 30 metres behind the winner!!

As one of the top five finishers, he is now invited to represent NSW in the National Championships, to be held in Tasmania on 31st August.

The NSW Primary School Sports Association provide competitors with raffle tickets to sell to assist raising the \$1,100 required for their flights, uniforms and competition entry to the event.

The **raffle tickets** are **\$2 each** and Les and Philly (Sam's parents) will be at the school on Friday 26th July and Wednesday 31st July from 8.50am selling raffle tickets to support Sam, our very own state representative.

1st prize Laptop computer

2nd prize 25in LCD TV

3rd prize iPod touch

4th prize iPod touch

5th prize iPod touch

Thank you for your support.

Approximate Term 3 Expenses		
Kindy	\$16	<i>Teddy Bears Picnic</i>
	\$11	<i>NAIDOC</i>
	\$5	<i>Book Week event</i>
	\$10	<i>Life Education</i>
Year 1	\$14	<i>Muogamarra excursion</i>
	\$11	<i>NAIDOC</i>
	\$5	<i>Book Week event</i>
	\$10	<i>Life Education</i>
Year 2	\$14	<i>Muogamarra excursion</i>
	\$11	<i>NAIDOC</i>
	\$5	<i>Book Week event</i>
	\$10	<i>Life Education</i>
	\$78	<i>Special Swimming Scheme</i>
Year 3	\$11	<i>NAIDOC</i>
	\$5	<i>Book Week event</i>
	\$10	<i>Life Education</i>
If attending	\$78	<i>Special Swimming Scheme</i>
Year 4	\$11	<i>NAIDOC</i>
	\$5	<i>Book Week event</i>
	\$10	<i>Life Education</i>
If attending	\$78	<i>Special Swimming Scheme</i>
Year 5	balance	<i>Canberra/ski excursion</i>
	\$11	<i>NAIDOC</i>
	\$5	<i>Book Week event</i>
If attending	\$78	<i>Special Swimming Scheme</i>
Year 6	balance	<i>Canberra/ski excursion</i>
	\$11	<i>NAIDOC</i>
	\$5	<i>Book Week event</i>
If attending	\$78	<i>Special Swimming Scheme</i>

Diary Dates	
July	
29 July - 2 Aug	Education Week
Tues 30	Open Day and Book Fair
Wed 31	Australian Schools English Comp
Wed 31	Education Week Scripture Service
August	
Mon 5	Last day for Stewart House bags
Tues 6	NAIDOC Day
Tues 6	Canteen Burrito Day
Mon 12	Music Festival matinee performance
Tues 13	Australian Schools Maths Comp
Tues 13	Stage 1 Pet Awareness
Wed 14	Music Festival evening performance
Thurs 15	Band SSO excursion
Mon 19 - Fri 23	Book Week
Tues 20	Book Week event for Years 3-6
Tues 20	Canteen Pizza Day
Wed 21	Zone Track and Field at Narrabeen
Thurs 22	Book Week event for K-Year 2
Thurs 22	Book Week Character Parade
Thurs 22	Book Week Trivia Competition
Mon 26 - Fri 6/9	Special Swimming Scheme
Wed 28 – Mon 2/9	Life Education visiting
Thurs 29	Kindy Teddy Bears Picnic, Muogamarra
Fri 30	Kindy Teddy Bears Picnic, Muogamarra
Fri 30	Fathers Day breakfast
September	
Tues 3	Canteen Pasta Day
Fri 6	BPS Fun Run
Mon 9 - Wed 11	Stage 3 Canberra/ski excursion
Fri 13	Berowra Musica at Community Centre
Mon 16	Years 1 & 2 Muogamarra excursion
Tues 17	Canteen Hot Dog Day
Wed 18	Kindy 2014 Fun Day
Thurs 19	Years 1 & 2 Muogamarra excursion
Fri 20	Last day of Term 3
October	
Tues 8	First day back for Term 4 students/staff

NOTES YOU MAY HAVE MISSED

Sent Out	Subject	Distribution	Response
20/2	Classroom resources	K-6	9/4
8/5	Voluntary School Contribution	K-2	ASAP
19/6	Special Swimming Scheme	Y2 + others	18/8
various	Canteen Special Days	K-2	various
17/7	NAIDOC Day	K-6	30/7
17/7	Beyond Blue Mufti Day	K-6	24/7
23/7	Hornsby Music Festival	Festival reps	ASAP
24/7	Hornsby Zone Track and Field	Zone reps	13/8
24/7	Life Education	K-6	15/8
24/7	Canteen Burrito Day	K-6	2/8
24/7	Canteen milk order form	K-6	2/8
24/7	Stewart House bags	K-6	5/8
24/7	Canberra medication & ski hire	Years 5 & 6	9/8
24/7	Swimming Scheme	Year 3-6	18/8
24/7	Cake stall	Year 5	30/7

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What sport do you do in Summer?

Do you play a sport that involves running around or standing about on those HOT! HOT! summer days. Why not try a sport that not only keeps you cool, is a lot of fun but was also the most successful at the 2012 Olympic Games?

You and your family can enjoy the wonderful waterways of the Hawkesbury River and experience the fun & sport of sailing at the same time.



Our Club operates most Saturdays during the sailing season (Sept-March), and is located at Lookout Bay (also known as Dead Horse Bay) Brooklyn, not far from the Parsley Bay boat launching ramp and car park.

The Club is affiliated with the **Hornsby PCYC**, and has been training children since 1968.

Our sailing instructors are Yachting Australia accredited, and sailing is taught through participating in our theory sessions on Thursday evenings and followed up with sailing on Saturdays.

Parental participation is an essential part of the running of the Club and sailing membership is open to all sailors, both experienced or beginners, from the age of 8-14 years. Boats are provided for beginners, and are maintained by the Club at our Lookout Bay boat shed.

Club racing classes are Manly Junior, Flying 11, 125 skiff, and VEE ESS class (senior).

Sound like fun?

Please contact the Hornsby PCYC, or the names below and find out more about this safe and enjoyable family sport.

Registration—August 15th, PCYC Hornsby, 94 George St. 5:00pm-9:00pm

Contacts:

Hornsby PCYC - 9477 2310

Graham Brown (Commodore) - 0418 251 751

Brian Gleeson (Vice Commodore) - 0419 836 713





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Contact Ann: 0425 821 290

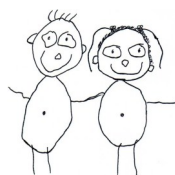
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60th Anniversary
MONSTER SPRING CARNIVAL
Sunday 13th October, 2013
10am to 3pm

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Email: marketstalls@mcpspandc.asn.au



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