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#### **Hornsby Zone Cross Country success**

Congratulations to our Zone Cross Country Team who participated with great enthusiasm and commitment. Mr Jones, Mrs Beckedahl and I were extremely proud of everyone. The determination and focus from all competitors was wonderful. Out of the 15 Hornsby Zone schools, Berowra Public School placed 4<sup>th</sup>, a few points behind Turramurra. Last year we placed 5<sup>th</sup>!

Congratulations to the following runners who will now proceed to the Area Carnival – Jackson C (2P), Jake Da S (3P), Matthew C (4W), Bodie D (4W) and Mackenzie W (6B).

Congratulations also to 12/13 girls – Mackenzie W, Jasmine M, Hayley S and Abbey T – our top 4 runners - who achieved the '12/13 year Champion's Banner'.

Best wishes to the Area Competitors. If you finish in the top 6 at Area, State is your next event!

#### **Bullying**

The National Safe Schools Framework defines bullying as **repeated** verbal, physical, social or psychological behaviour that is harmful and involves the misuse of power by an individual or group towards one or more persons. Cyberbullying refers to bullying through information and communication technologies, e.g. the internet or mobile devices.

Conflicts or fights between equals and single incidents are not defined as bullying. Bullying of any form or for any reason can have long-term effects on those involved, including bystanders.

In short, bullying is a repeated pattern of harmful verbal, physical or social behaviour which involves the misuse of power. Cyberbullying is bullying through the internet or mobile devices.

Our advice to children when being faced by bullying behaviour is to put your hands out in front of you, say "STOP" in a loud voice; say 'I don't like that' and then leave them and walk away. We also ask that if this happens that the child lets a teacher know so that it can be recorded and the child comforted and told that they have acted in the correct manner.

The legal age limit for Facebook, Kik, Instagram and Twitter is 13 years and above; for Snapchat it is 18 years and older.

Never leave computers, laptops, tablets, ipods or mobile phones in bedrooms as this can cause lack of sleep due to interruptions/texts or other media notifications. Always ensure that as a parent you have access to your children's passwords and logons, so that you can monitor their activities and ensure they are not being bullied or on inappropriate sites. Remember that if you don't allow certain children into your house to play with your children – do not allow them into your house via the internet!

#### **Special Religious Education**

Review of Special Religious Education and Special Education in Ethics in NSW government schools The NSW Department of Education and Communities has commissioned an independent review of the implementation of Special Religious Education (SRE) and Special Education in Ethics (SEE) in NSW public schools. The review is being conducted by an independent research company, ARTD Consultants. This company provides services in evaluating public policy. The review will inform ongoing improvement of SRE and SEE for the Department and providers. How can you participate in the review? You can complete a survey up until 31 July 2015 via an online portal, located at this link: http://forms.artd.com.au/s3/Onlinecontribution-for-parents-carers

The survey is in English and has 19 questions. For most questions you can select an answer from the multiple choice options provided. Only two questions ask for written answers. Extra written feedback for another five questions may be provided if desired but is not essential. Queries or complaints about the way the review is conducted.

For questions or concerns associated with participation in the review or to raise a complaint about the conduct of the review, please contact the Leader, Quality Assurance, on (02) 9244 5025 or by email at SRE-SEE-Review@det.nsw.edu.au. All complaints will be treated confidentially

#### **Food Allergy Week**

Did you know that 1 in 10 babies born in Australia will develop a food allergy? The Food Allergy Week website has lots of great information, ideas and resources to help you be more allergy aware.

Find out more: http://www.foodallergyaware.com.au

#### Is your child making friends at school?

Kids who get on at school tend to be more engaged in learning. Here are some ideas on how to help your child with social skills:

http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing/development/how-friendships-boost-your-childs-learning

<u>PERFORMING ARTS</u> - <u>DRAMA</u> - <u>Drama Auditions</u>. Congratulations to all the drama children for their fantastic efforts at the drama auditions last Monday. They did so well and I was so proud of them! Thank you to all the wonderful parents who brought their children to school on Sunday for an extra drama practice. You are so supportive and encouraging. Thank you also for the amazing costumes you rustled up at the last minute. We will hear from the Festival judges in about two weeks whether we were successful. Fingers crossed!

- Jennie Smith

<u>DANCE</u> - Congratulations to both of our dance groups who were successful in their audition for Sydney North Dance Festival. They will be performing at Glen St Theatre, Belrose on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> June at 5pm, Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> June at 1:15pm and 7:30pm.

Tickets go on sale on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June. Adults \$29, Concession \$20, Child \$15 - Phone 9975 1455. The girls will be performing 'Welcome to New York' and the boys will perform 'Hammer Gets Ridiculous'. We wish them the best of luck for all of their performances.

Throughout this term 1C, 1T, 2C, 3A, 5K and 6K have been taking weekly dance lessons with Mrs Lukic. There has been a change of date for their end of term dance performances. They will perform some of the dances they have been learning during the K-6 Assembly on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> June at 12:45-1:30pm.

More information for these classes will be sent home closer to this date.

- Kelly Lukic

<u>LIBRARY NEWS</u> - <u>National Simultaneous Storytime</u>. On Wednesday 27th May at 11am we will join together with schools all around Australia to celebrate reading a book by a wonderful Australian author Aaron Blabey, called "The Brothers Quibble". Over 500,000 children are expected to simultaneously listen to the story and take part in activities, fun and games to support the story. I am sure your children would love to tell you all about it!

- Jennie Smith

**BANKING** - School Banking is held every Tuesday morning in the canteen however there will be NO BANKING on Tuesday 16th June as this is the day of the BPS Athletics Carnival.

#### CANTEEN -

Check out <u>BPS Canteen News</u> on Facebook. It contains new items on the menu, events, happening and special day reminders.

Our school canteen is open three days a week:- Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. Don't forget you can order lunches online at flexischool.com.au.

**P&C NEWS** - Don't forget to return your Entertainment Book to the classroom if you don't want to purchase it. More books are available at the office if needed.

**SSG NEWS** - Thank you to everyone who came along to the School Support Group on Tuesday last week. We are currently planning Family Portraits as a fundraiser. You can have a beautiful family portrait and raise money for your school at the same time. Save the date <u>Saturday 24th October 2015</u> to book in for your photo shoot.

More information to follow closer to the date."

**<u>UNIFORM SHOP</u>** - Open Monday morning 9-10am and Thursday afternoon 3-3.30pm.

Roster Week 7

Monday S Chambers / V Eliasson
Thursday K Murphy / S Fincham
Week 8

Monday Closed - Public Holiday
Thursday C Harriss / V Foster

#### 3-6 Assembly Awards





### PERSONAL BEST

### Be Resilient

Congratulations to our "Purple Gumleaf Gotcha" recipients



#### <u>Term 2 – Weeks 5-7</u>

- Three Steps to be Resilient
  Say "STOP! I don't like what you said or did"
  If they continue, WALK AWAY
  Finally, if it continues, TELL A TEACHER
- ✓ Look people in the eye, shoulders back.
- ✓ Be a <u>Cobber</u>, not a <u>Dobber</u>. Stand up for your friends or someone being bullied.

#### Survivor

Kieren and I were chosen to go to Wideview Public School and compete in their very own survivor. Here is a little recap of the day.

We were split into groups. We named ourselves The Green Gators and then we made our team flag. The teachers told us that we would be put through mental and physical challenges and we would have to work together as a team. Some of the challenges were tent building, obstacle courses, stacking cards and balanc-

ing. Kieren was the only survivor who knew how to put up a tent. It was funny watching everyone struggle.

My favourite was the obstacle course. They had various obstacles around the playground. Each member of the team was timed which went towards our overall score.

Unfortunately our team were not the sole Survivors.

The day was lots of fun and I thought it was a great way to meet new friends.

We should definitely hold our own survivor!

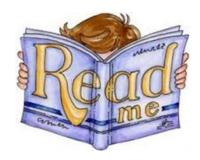
-Jasmine M 6K











This edition of K-2 Snippets, features more adventures from the World of K-2. Please enjoy our memories for this fortnight.

#### Year 1 - The Movers and Shakers

#### **Year 1 Big Writing**

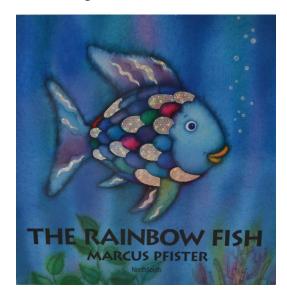
Our first Big Write for the term was based on the book called The Rainbow Fish by Marcus Pfister. The children had to write a letter to their teacher describing what they would see if they dived into the deep dark blue ocean using WOW words.

Dear Teacher,

When I dive into the ocean I can see a rainbow fish that has shades of blue, green and purple. It also has some silver sparkling shiny scales. I also can see a wise old octopus that likes to drink tea and tells everybody what they need to

From Charlie

know



Dear Teacher,

When I dive into the ocean I see a turtle. A turtle has four legs. It is green and it has a brown shell. It is slow and it is quiet.

From Oliver

Dear Teacher.

When I dive into the ocean I see a dolphin. It is grey, it eats fish and it has tiny teeth. I also see a starfish. It is yellow, it has 5 legs and a little smile as well. I see an octopus and it is purple and has eight legs.

From Eloise

#### Kindergarten- The Happening Year!







Volcanoes, books, trains.....always exciting times in Kindergarten!

Year 2 – The Big Mob

Last week Year 2 visited the vegetable garden and had fun planting, weeding and watering. While we were developing our green thumbs, we were thinking about, predicting and observing changes to our environment.







Snippetly Yours, Sally Till and the K-2 Staff



# STAGE 3 NEWS

Stage 3 continue to work well in class as well as act as responsible role models around the school. This week all classes are concluding the HSIE unit of work on 'Rainforests'. Year 5's rainforest presentations are proving to be very informative and engaging, with students and teachers being impressed at the high quality of the work.

Currently Year 6 is investigating carbon dioxide emissions and their impact on the environment. They are linking this with their knowledge of rainforests and analysing the importance of maintaining rainforest ecosystems in order to reduce greenhouse gases and their effects.

We have linked this to our maths unit on area and on Thursday this week we are going on a mini excursion to mark out an area of  $25m^2$  in order to count the trees growing within and then to calculate the amount of  $CO_2$  absorption that occurs. By then comparing this to an area within a rainforest, students will understand just how important those environments are.

Stage 3 will also be completing their 5<sup>th</sup> 'Big Write' for the year this week. The quality of student responses has shown steady and impressive improvement through participation in this program, including development in punctuation skills and use of higher order vocabulary.

Literacy groups continue to maximise learning efficiency in the classroom as well as student independence and a growing sense of responsibility for their own learning.



Semester 1 assessments are well underway with teachers working hard to complete reports. I know you will understand if you come across any teacher suffering with 'BEAR 'head syndrome in the next few weeks.



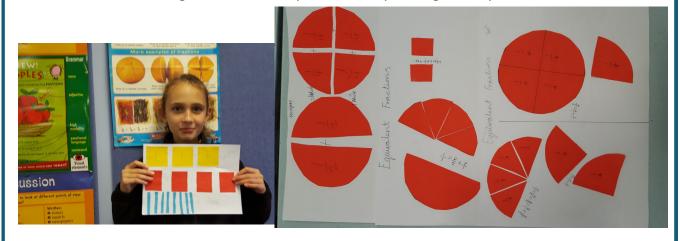
Year 6 look amazing in their jumpers and excitement is already building for the Canberra/ski trip next term.

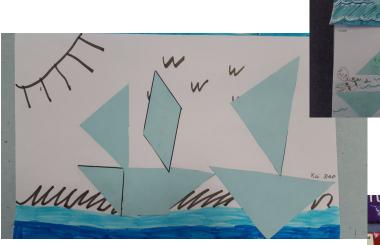
If you have not already informed the office or class teacher if your child is attending or not, please try to do so as soon as possible.

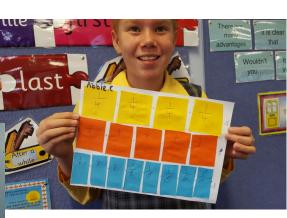
Stage 3 teachers

### Stage 2

Stage 2 fun with fractions and two dimensional shapes, tangrams... Make it, say it, draw it and write it. Learning mathematics requires careful planning and improvisation.







### K-6 Assembly Wednesday 13th May













K-2 ribbon recipients from BPS Cross Country Carnival



#### **Student Travel Passes**

We have been advised by Transdev, the bus company that the paper bus passes are to last for the whole of 2015.

As there is a fee for replacement bus passes, it is advisable that students have a wallet with a clear window to keep the bus pass in or that they be laminated.

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KB	Zane C, Freya C, Isobel F, Liliana K, Luca P, Holly R, Teagan S, Ruby S		
KR	Harry A, Josh B, Gabriel H, William N, Jakob R, Tahnee W		
1C	Megan D, Hayden F, Dominic H, Alex L, Eloise S, Reuban S		
1F	Timeka C, Luca D, Taj G, Leon J, Farrah P, Locke T		
2C	Dylan D, Nicholas G, Zeke J, Harry S, Robert W, Jade W		
2P	Amelia B, Jayden B, Jackson C, Julian C, Jessica C, Eric h, Kaiya H, Indigo R		
2R	Jasmine B, Omar D, Cayleigh H, Liam J, Benjamin O, Natasha W		
3A	Freyja C, Liam C, Kamden H		
3P	Monique C, Grace H, Ellora M, Oscar P		
4W	Bronte L, Allisha M, Anna O		
5B	Kyle B, Zac B, Caitlin C, Naomi D, Harry D, Ella-Jayne D, Annika E, Jake E, Elizabeth G, Nene H, Abiha I, Mirabel J, Jude M, Eliza O, William P, Will P, Kayla P		
5K	Miranda A, Grace B, Hamze D, Polly V, Alexander L, Naomi P		
6K	Michael C, Tom H, Jett J, Mimi L, Dimitri O, Jane R		

Diary Dates					
MAY					
Fri 29/5	Voices for Reconciliation concert				
JUNE					
Wed 3/6	Science competition				
Mon 8/6	Queen's Birthday public holiday				
Thurs 11/6	Zone Cross Country Carnival—Gosford				
Fri 12	BPS Disco				
Tues 16	BPS Athletics Carnival at Foxglove Oval				
Wed 17/6	P.I.E. Cyber Safety 6.30pm P&C meeting 7.30pm in staffroom				
Mon 22/6	Dance Festival rehearsal 11am Glenn St				
Mon 22/6	Soloist Night				
Wed 24/6	Festival of Instrumental Music rehearsal				
Wed 24/6	Classes performing dances at assembly				
Thurs 25/6	Dance Festival perform at 1.15 and 7.30				
Fri 26	Last day of Term 2				
JULY					
Mon 13/7	Staff return for Term 3				
Tues 14/7	Students return to school for Term 3				
Tues 21/7	Choir rehearsal at Chatswood HS				
27-31/7	Education Week				
Tues 28/7	English Competition				
Wed 29/7	Open Day and Book Fair				

NOTES YOU MAY HAVE MISSED				
Sent Out	Subject	Distribution	Response before	
18/3	Voluntary Contributions	K-6	ASAP	
29/4	Winter PSSA sport	PSSA reps	14/5	
29/4	Recycled Fashion Event	K-6	20/6	
6/5	Year 2 Gymnastics	Year 2	19/5	
13/5	Term 2 Tennis	3-6 Tennis	21/5	
13/5	Classroom resources	K-6	25/6	
13/5	Entertainment Books	K-6	20/5	
20/5	Town Hall Choir	Choir	25/6	
27/5	BPS Disco	K-6	9/6	
Most notes are on the BPS website under				

Most notes are on the BPS website under 'Our School' tab—'Missed a Note?'

#### INTERSCHOOL SPORT

#### **PSSA Football and Netball**

Friday 29th May vs Hornsby South PS

at

**Montview Oval** 

Friday 5th June
vs Asquith PS and
Turramurra PS (Girls football)

at

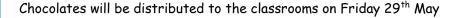
Berowra Oval and Berowra PS

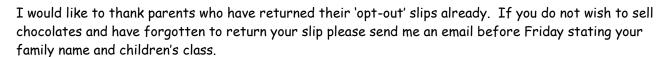
#### **PSSA AFL** always at Foxglove Oval

#### **BCoS Football and Netball** always at Warrina St Oval

#### **BOOSH Chocolate Drive**

Dear Parents





While our intention is to provide each family, wishing to sell chocolate, with only one box per family, it is difficult for us to determine all families that may have more than one child attending the school. Therefore, if you receive more than one box please feel free to return the extra boxes directly to BOOSH. If you are able and willing to sell more, however, please feel free collect more from BOOSH also

If you have inadvertently received chocolates please accept our apologies and return to BOOSH.

I wish to thank you for your support and to those families who have made a donation instead of selling chocolates. Your support and generosity is greatly appreciated.

Happy Selling

Michelle

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How does it work?

Drop any unwanted good quality new and used LADIES







**CLOTHES HANDBAGS** SHOES & **ACCESSORIES** 

at the school Canteen or BOOSH Cottage

Then come along at

7.00pm SATURDAY 20th JUNE and shop

Light supper provided. BYO drinks.

Anyone who can't make it on the night but would like to shop we will be open from 5pm for purchases. Lots of new items with Tags, 'formal dresses' perfect for Yr6 farewell.

GOLD COIN ENTRY ALL PROCEEDS GO BEROWRA PUBLIC SCHOOL

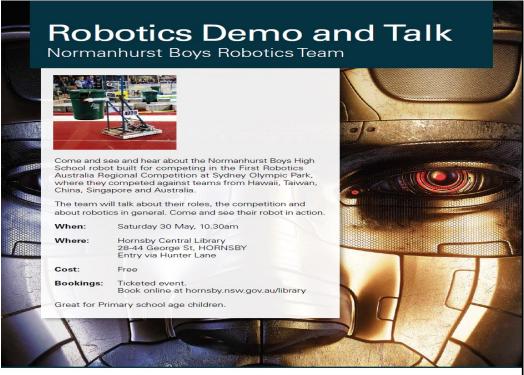
The 2015/2016 Entertainment Books have now arrived. Each family will receive a book to take home and look through. Decide if you would like to purchase and keep or return the book to school in its original envelope as soon as possible.

Digital Membership is also available.

Contact Debbie Allen for more information on 0408 445 889.

\$14 from every membership sold goes to Berowra Public School.











#### **Australian Red Cross Blood Service**

is coming to

**Berowra Community Centre** 

Tuesday 28th July
Wednesday 29th July
Thursday 30th July

1:30pm - 6:30pm

<u>Drink up!</u> Have 3 or 4 glasses of water or juice in the hours before you donate

<u>Eat!</u> Have a good sized meal beforehand <u>Bring photo ID</u> or your blood donor card with you

Roll up your sleeves and give blood

Please phone **13 14 95** to make an appointment



#### Privacy Law Advice

If you take photos at school functions and then post them on social media, you are in potential breach of privacy laws.

You may not post photos which contain children other than your own, even if they only appear in the background.





#### **NEW Dinner Specials**

(member pricing)

Monday Rump Steak \$12.50

& a schooner of house beer or glass of house wine

**Tuesday** 

Chicken Schnitzel \$10

Wednesday Pasta Night \$8

**Thursday** 

Wood Fire Pizza From \$15 Friday KIDS EAT FREE\*

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& FREE jumping castle

Saturday Seafood Platter \$40

Sunday Roast \$10







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## Parent Information Evening



# 6.30pm Wednesday 17th June in Year 6 room

- ⇒ How do I keep my child safe on the internet?
- ⇒ Online safety and privacy
- ⇒ Social networking—implications for children

"Would you do this face to face? - don't do it online. Would you go up to a complete stranger and start a conversation? Give them your photo? Give them your address?"