

November 30<sup>th</sup>, 2016 Term 4 Week 8

# The Crest

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Responsibility

Personal Best



# Berowra

**Public School** 



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### **Presentation Day**

K-2 Assembly - 10:00am

Morning Tea - 11:30am

3-6 Assembly - 12:00pm

#### **ALL WELCOME**

#### Classes for 2017

NSW Public Schools are provided with teachers and staff on an age-based differential formula. Once the principal enters anticipated numbers of students, DEC Staffing will allocate a set number of teachers, SLSOs, School Administrative Staff, Counsellor times etc.

It is then the principal's job, with many hours input by the teachers, to devise the best mix of classes to suit the available resources.

Please keep in mind that as professional educators, we place students in classes after carefully analysing a variety of academic and social criteria. This may mean that students are not with the same classmates as in the previous year, although we do try to ensure that they have a familiar face in their class. Classrooms are first and foremost about learning and getting along with the teacher and peers in their class and of course students can always meet up with all their friends in the playground (remembering that their longest break from all their friends is TWO hours). Being able to form a wide range of happy, productive and polite relationships, with a number of people of all ages, assists students as they become older to get along with the many different individuals and personalities they will come across in their life.

Rarely do we get this placement wrong.

Parents deserve and will be provided with reasons for class placement of their child if requested, but there has been disappointing trend of late with parents demanding that their child is moved from their class placements. Rarely is it possible to move just one child from a class to another, or to 'swap mine with this kid'. The complexity of classroom personalities and the interconnectedness of classroom interactions rarely allows for such an easy 'swap'.

Whilst we will always listen to (and take into consideration) the concerns of parents, it is in the end, the decision of the principal and the school as to where the best learning setting is for each individual student.

Requests for a particular teacher cannot be accommodated. I also ask parents not to attempt to pick and choose who they would like their child to be or not be with next year. Genuine and special reasons should be directed by phone, letter or interview to the principal. Class teachers or executive will not take requests for class placement next year. Naturally, parents will discuss their child's needs with the class teacher but promises of classes and teachers will not be made by the 2017 class teacher. In short, see me if you have any concerns, but please trust the teachers and me to place your child in a class where they will have friends and learn in an engaging friendly atmosphere.

We are carefully monitoring our anticipated enrolments for 2017. Thanks to those who have already returned an enrolment form. Please contact the school for an enrolment package if you have a sibling yet to enrol or **you are aware you will not be returning to BPS in 2017** and have not yet notified us.

#### A reminder to parents to notify the school about your child's health

We welcome information from parents about your child's health, even if you are not requesting specific support from our school. Our school asks for medical information when you enrol your child. It is also important that you let us know if your child's health care needs change or if a new health condition develops.

Information about allergies, medical conditions such as asthma and diabetes and other health care related issues (including prior conditions such as medical procedures in the last 12 months) should be provided to the school by parents. This will greatly assist our school in planning to support your child's health and wellbeing.

Don't forget The Crest is also available on the school website: www.berowra-p.schools.nsw.edu.au

Click on the Newsletter tab.

Parent Online Payments can also be made here using the 'Make a payment' tab.

Please also remember to notify staff in the school office of any changes to your contact details or to the contact details of other people nominated as emergency contacts.

We appreciate your assistance in this regard and assure you that any information you provide the school will be stored securely and will only be used or disclosed in order to support your son or daughter's health needs or as otherwise required by law.

Please note all students with allergies, anaphylaxis, asthma or medical condition also need an ASCIA plan from their doctor.

Health Care Plans and ASCIA Plans need to be kept in the school office with their medication.

If we do not have a Health Care Plan or ASCIA Plan we are unable to administer Ventolin or any other asthma puffer; or any medication. Also, without these plans your child is not allowed off the school premises for excursions etc.

#### **Outstanding Payments**

As we work towards the end of the school term for 2016, unfortunately we have a significant number of outstanding invoices still to be paid – over \$5000.00. These are primarily for goods and services provided to students over the year – overnight excursions – especially the Stage 3 Camp, payment for resource books, magazines, and elective sports.

We have sent home many reminders to families over the last couple of months but have not had a significant response. At present, the school has covered these costs from our global budget which is affecting our ability to organise other activities. We urgently need to be reimbursed for these amounts. Our budget is designed to be shared equally throughout the entire school population. If this has been an oversight on your part, could you please attend to payment of these invoices as soon as possible? Many thanks.

#### **Congratulations:**

• Evangeline M – awarded an A in her first flute exam

Isabella C (3/4P), Nicole J (3/4P), Katrina D (3A), Tatiana R (2C) and Brinlee S (4G) who are performing
in the Berowra Musical Society Pantomime – Cinderella. The performances are over the first two
weekends in December.

 Hayleigh S (6K) and Fiona T (5B) who performed as part of the mass choir at the School's Spectacular last Saturday. They made it into the Guinness World Record for most performers in an amateur production - there were 5322 altogether.





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**Principal** 

**SCHOOL SUPPORT GROUP** - With the help from the whole school community supporting our fundraisers the School Support Group have been able to donate over \$10,000 to the school this year!

This is just amazing and we could not have done it without the many parents involved in coordinating events, volunteering and sending in money for events like the discos, morning teas, Mother's and Father's Day stalls, calendars etc.

The school has been able to purchase resources for the classrooms, presentation day awards, paint for the NAIDOC tree mural on the hall, garden beds for the vegetable garden and most recently, the purchase of 14 chrome books! What an awesome year! Thank you to everyone for your ongoing support. We look forward to another bumper year ahead in 2017.

Don't forget the last school <u>Disco</u> for the year is this <u>Friday 2nd December</u>. The theme is 'Christmas'. Notes have been sent out already. Please return it promptly with correct money, cash, cheque or pay directly to SSG account. Remember there is the option of paying directly to the Support Group bank account, as well as cash or cheque. Details are on the form. Please do not pay online (POP) or with any school payments.

<u>COMMUNITY NEWS</u> - Hornsby Shire Council school holiday events: Gingerbread house making workshop, Hornsby 7/12, Pennant Hills 10/12. Cost \$32. Christmas pantomime—Hansel & Gretel, Berowra Comminity Centre 9/12, Hornsby Library 13/12, Pennant Hills Community Centre 14/12. Cost \$5 per child. Bricks4Kids—Super Heroes theme, Hornsby 10/1/17, Pennant Hills, 11/1/17. Space & Star Wars theme, Berowra 10/1/17, Hornsby 11/1/17. Cost \$15.

Contact Hornsby Library 9847 6738, visit Hornsby.nsw.gov.au/library or vist in person at any library branch.

#### THANK YOU

Thank you to everyone who has paid for their children's student pack as well as the voluntary school contribution.

Every student received a student pack which could consist of things such as :- Mathletic, Spellodrome and Reading Egg licences, exercise books, scrap books, school magazine or show me student whiteboards and markers. Every year is different.

These resources are used in the classroom every day by your children and we appreciate your help.

If you are unsure if you have paid for the student pack or school contribution, please contact the school office.





Morning tea for Mrs Helen Vincent on her official retirement.



### Assembly awards



















# Year 6 Mini Fete 2016

On Thursday the 8th December, Year 6 students will hold their annual Mini Fete. Each year, Year 6 students host a Mini Fete to raise money for their gift to the school.

Kindergarten and Year 1 children will be taken around the fete by their teachers at 11:45, with the rest of the school joining in from 12:15.

Students are invited to bring a limited amount of money and purchase tokens to spend on the activities arranged by our Year 6 students. Tokens will be handed out on the day.

Rather than allow students to convert all their spending money to tokens and have some tokens left over at the end of the day, K-1 will be limited to an initial purchase of \$5 worth of tokens and Year 2-6 to \$10. Additional tokens may be purchased at any time during the Fete. Tokens are worth 50c each.

This year, Year 6 have been working very hard and will be running an extensive range of activities, some of which are: Guessing competitions, Sponge throwing, haunted house, lolly stalls, These are just some of many fun stalls!

### Thank you Morning Tea

The staff at Berowra Public School cordially invite the many parent and community helpers who have assisted at the school throughout 2016 to a "Thank You" morning tea.

Hall COLA (outside the canteen) Where: When: Wednesday 7th December 2016 from 11:30am

This is our opportunity to acknowledge the valuable contribution you have made to our school.

If you have helped in any way e.g. reading, parent committees, school events, transport, Scripture, fundraising, maintenance, classroom activities we would love to see you there.

The Principal & Staff of B.P.S.

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### Beginner Recorder Ensemble 2017

The recorder ensembles at Berowra Public School offer students a wonderful opportunity for quality music education at the low cost of \$50 per term.

Students from year 1 – 6 are welcome to join the

beginner recorder program. Beginner lessons are taught in classes. Students have the chance to perform together at school and community events during the year. Lessons are taught by an accredited recorder teacher and include technique building games, music reading, and group playing. Different learning styles are catered for. Lessons will be held on Tuesday mornings before school in the school library.

Joining the beginner recorder program at BPS gives students a head start in music education, providing a solid basis for learning other instruments and for taking part in the many exciting higher level recorder activities available to students at BPS. Highlights for advanced BPS recorder students in 2016 include Opera House Concerts, Sydney Schools Recorder Camp, Suzuki Graduation, and a student selected as a solo performer on tin whistle at the Arts Alive Combined Schools Choral Concert.

To register your child, or if you have any questions or queries, please contact me at <a href="mailto:sue.thorv@gmail.com">sue.thorv@gmail.com</a>. Please register by 8<sup>th</sup> December.

Sue Thorvaldson (BPS recorder ensemble director).

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### BPS String Ensemble 2017

The BPS String Ensemble is looking for new members for 2017. Students who are learning violin, viola, cello or double bass are encouraged to join us.

In 2017 the string ensemble will cater for players from beginners to more advanced students. A highlight for 2017 will be the chance to play on the stage of the Sydney Opera House in The Festival of Instrumental Music.



For more details or to register please contact me at <a href="mailto:sue.thorv@gmail.com">sue.thorv@gmail.com</a>.

Please register by 8th December, 2016 if you wish your child to be involved in The Festival of Instrumental Music.

Sue Thorvaldson (BPS string ensemble director).

### Class Awards 16 Nov - 29 Nov

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***** <b>KB</b>	**************************************
KY	Ayden P, Summer W, Eric M, Adrian U, Ruby P, Mia F, Naomi H, Ella A, Oliver H, Darcy F
15	Isobel F, Leanne C, Harry A, Nathan W
1T	Kate F, Jonathan B, Tahnee W, William N, Callum L, Tahnee W, Lara S, Veronica R, Zane C, Ivy U, Maddi H, Asad I, Kobe R
2C	Lily P, Luca D, Lucy H, Chloe L, Matt S, Jackson M, Matthew A, Archie R, Corey P, Hannah C, Skye T
3A	Araliya K, India N, Pranay G, Jayden B, Tiana P, Armaan C, Chloe C, Jed W, Cayleigh H
3R	Evie M, Isabel A, Scott T, Jasmine B, Emily C, Annabelle H, Liam J
3/4P	Jackson C, Finn L, Caitlan F, Natasha W, Zeke J, Ava A
4G	Jake D, Mackenzie F, Jessica Y, Liam B, Rachel D
4P	Alicia S, Maximus V, Alex P, Evie P
5B	Kaitlyn K, Sarah H, Fiona T, Saxon W, Cooper G, Ben P, Bronte L
5K	Benjamin B, Samantha S, Josephine O, Monique W, Danny C, Mikayla S, Pearl M
6K	Lindley R, Caitlin C, Aleisha C, Layla W, Emily D, William P, Laura S

Upcoming Events					
DECEMBER					
Fri 2	BPS Disco				
Tues 6	K-2 Christmas Concert 10am and 12pm Year 7 High School Orientation Day				
Wed 7	Presentation Day K-2 10am, 3-6 12pm Helpers Morning Tea 11.30am				
Fri 9	Christmas Carols at BPS				
Mon 12	Year 6 Farewell				
12-13	Yr 3 Gibberagong camp				
Fri 16	Students last day of term				
19-20	Staff Development Days				
JANUARY					
Thurs 26	Australia Day holiday				
Fri 27	Staff return				
Mon 30	Students in years 1-6 return to school				
FEBRUARY					
Thurs 2	Kindergarten 2017 start school				

NOTES YOU MAY HAVE MISSED				
Sent Out	Subject	Distribution	Response before	
23/3	Classroom Resources	K-6	Overdue	
20/7	Yr 1 Gymnastics Term 3	Year 1	Overdue	
21/9	Kindy Gymnastics Term 4	Kindy	Overdue	
12/10	PSSA Sport	PSSA Reps	Overdue	
12/10	Christmas card fundraiser for Vegetable Garden	K-6	ASAP	
16/11	BPS Disco	K-6	1/12	
16/11	K-2 Christmas Concert	K-2	ASAP-	
9/11	Signature Bears	Year 6	29/11	
9/11	Year 6 Farewell	Yrs 5 & 6	29/11	
28/11	Optional Uniform orders	Yrs 4 & 5	9/12	

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

### Not returning to Berowra Public School next year??

If you know your child is not returning to BPS for 2017 (except year 6), please inform the school in writing (or email) as soon as possible.

Likewise, if your child is taking an extended summer holiday and returning after Monday 30th January.

These preparations help with the 2017 planning of classes



#### CHRISTMAS CAROLS UNDER THE STARS

### FRIDAY 9<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER

6pm - 8pm

#### Berowra Public School

We invite you to come celebrate the end of the year and the Christmas season with a Twilight Concert and Community Carols.

Bring a blanket and enjoy a Family Night of Music to celebrate the season.

Sausage sizzle, drinks and ice cream available for purchase on the night or bring a picnic

We are taking requests for your favourite carols please email <a href="mailto:bpsband@hotmail.com">bpsband@hotmail.com</a>

Music provided by our School Bands, Recorder Ensembles, String Ensemble, School Choirs and parents!

We are looking for parents who play an instrument or sing to help lead the carols singing. If you would like to be part of this event please contact Naomi <a href="mailto:bpsband@hotmail.com">bpsband@hotmail.com</a>









### INTERSCHOOL SPORT

**PSSA League Tag Grand Final** 

**Friday 2nd December** 

Juniors—9.40am

Seniors—10.10am

Berowra 1

Berowra 2

**Berowra 2** Berowra 1

Waitara 2 Warrawee 2

Waitara 1 Hornsby Sth 1

Foxglove 6 Foxglove 8

Foxglove 5 Foxglove 6

### PIANO / KEYBOARD LESSONS!

Beginners to Advanced (including HSC and Tertiary)

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### Motivating & challenging Group Fitness Exercise sessions for females in Berowra and Asquith.

This is a unique opportunity to have a personal training style session with a small group of like-minded females all striving to achieve their own health and fitness goals.

Sessions are mostly held outdoors

- covered areas used when raining. Evenings are outdoors during daylight savings and indoors as needed

Prices start from \$12.90 per group session. Individual Personal Training is also available for girls and guys, programs are tailored to suit.

#### Group Training Timetable

Monday 7.10pm - Berowra Tues 9.30am - Asquith Wednesday 7.10pm - Berowra Friday 6.10am - Berowra Saturday 8.00am - Berowra





Contact Tracey: 0421 319 135 M4LFitness@gmail.com

## LEARN TO SWIM

IN THE CHRISTMAS SCHOOL HOLIDAYS!



### INDOOR HEATED POOL

LESSONS FOR PRIMARY AGED
CHILDREN, PRESCHOOLERS AND BABIES

Holiday Courses – 4 & 5 day courses start Mon 19 Dec & 3, 9, 16, 23 Jan Also Saturday classes in January TERM 1 STARTS MON 30 JANUARY 2017

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### Ann Leslie's Music Studio Piano Lessons

Berowra Location, Musicianship and Piano Lessons available.

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www.annlesliesmusicstudio.com

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# DISCO

### It's Berowra Public School Disco time! Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2016

Theme: "Christmas" Infants 6.00 - 7.15pm Primary 7.30 - 9.00pm

Tickets \$10 (ticket price includes chips, ice cream and water)

There will be no ticket sales at the door so please be sure to return your permission note and payment to your class teacher by Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> December. Please provide correct payment as School Support Group is unable to give change. Do not include disco payment with other school payments, we can't accept credit card payments for disco.

12 volunteers per session are required to run the disco. If you are able to help supervise on the night please call Chris on 0449255168, Tracey 0417509422, Leanne 0407481561 or Jamie on 0416268981 prior to the disco. A school Working with Children Check is required of all volunteers.

#### Rules

- Students are expected to behave responsibly and follow directions given by disco volunteer supervisors. The guardian of any student not following rules will be contacted and asked to take the student home.
- Only current Berowra Public School students may attend.
- No bags to be brought into the hall. Do not bring valuables we take no responsibility for lost or damaged property.
- All volunteers must first complete a working with children check with the school prior to volunteer work. There are no exceptions to
  this rule and only the volunteer supervisors allocated for the night are allowed to be present at the disco.
- Children are to be collected promptly by their legal guardian (adult over 18yrs) collection instructions will be given and guardians are
  expected to follow this direction.
- Appropriate clothing to be worn, shoes on at all times.
- Once in the disco students are not permitted to leave. Only food/drink provided by disco is to be consumed during the disco and only in the cooling area not inside.
- Any child that requires medical items such as an Epipen or Ventolin must provide this with name, class and allergy plan.

Surname as reference, attach a printed bank confirmation with permission slip.

Any student not following these rules and school rules will not be permitted to attend a BPS dance disco for 12 months.

give permission for my son / daughter attend the Berowra Public School Dance Disco on Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> Deceml	her 2016 with the understan	ding that all
rules and conditions stated above on the disco note are adhered to		and and an
A separate permission slip is required for each child.		
Guardian name:		
Contact number:		
Guardian Signature:		
Ficket Payment Methods		
Cash Cheque - payable to Berowra School Support Group		

Account Number: 10010818



### Invitation to

# Tinsel and Tea-Towels K-2 Christmas Concert





The K-2 children and teachers would like to invite you to watch our 2016 Christmas Concert. Everyone is welcome to attend and morning tea will be available to purchase at a small cost.

**When:** Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> December

**Times:** 10:00am and 12:00pm

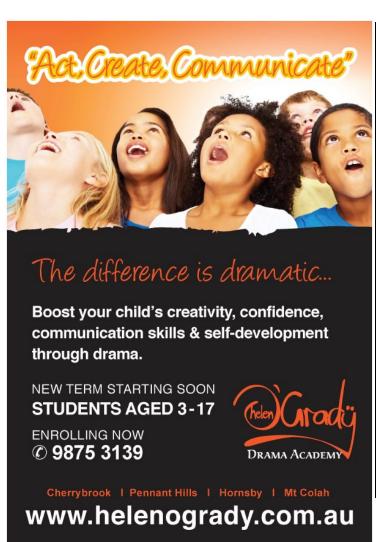
Where: Berowra Public School Hall

Please be respectful when sharing photos and video footage of children other than your own on social media and other public domains. Thank you.

We look forward to seeing you there.

K-2 children and teachers







### Fiona Fisher's Swim School

Swimming Lessons • Aqua Aerobics Water Babies, Preschool, Primary To Adult School Terms & Holiday Intensives

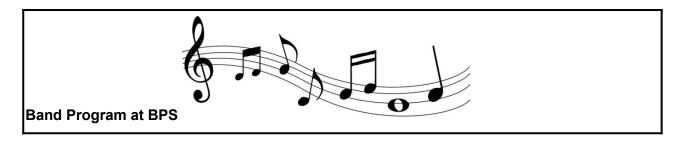
### INDOOR HEATED POOL

**St Edmunds School** 60 Burns Rd, Wahroonga

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Email: admin@ffss.com.au

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In Week 5, Year 2 Students and other interested students were given the opportunity to try out musical instruments as part of our Instrumental Try Out Day. Specialised tutors came to Berowra PS to show children how to blow flutes, clarinets, trumpets, saxophones, trombones and get a rhythm going on the drums and other percussion. It was a very noisy and exciting afternoon for the children. Students were sent home with information about the instruments they played and also information on Music at BPS.

If you would like this info again please contact <a href="mailto:bpsband@hotmail.com">bpsband@hotmail.com</a>

At Berowra Public School we have a **Training Band** for Beginner students, **a Concert Band** for more advanced students. Students who learn an instrument are invited to join the Bands.

If your child is interested in learning to play an instrument and joining the School Band please fill in the form overleaf and we will contact you with further information. Please feel free to contact us at <a href="mailto:bpsband@hotmail.com">bpsband@hotmail.com</a>

#### Why Play a Musical Instrument?

Music affects the brain in many positive ways. It makes you smarter, happier and more productive at any age. Listening is good, playing is even better.

Playing music in an ensemble not only encourages team work but is scientifically proven to help improve brain function. Children with musical training are shown to do better in subjects like language, reading, and maths and have better fine motor skills than their non-musical classmates. Not only this but it's great fun!

#### **Learning a Musical Instrument at Berowra**

Students who would like to join the **Band Program** are required to have an instrumental lesson each week. The *Music Program* can provide a list of teachers in the area that parents can contact to organise weekly lessons.

Weekly instrumental lessons provide students with the skills they will need to play in an ensemble, teachers give practical lessons, teaching children how to read music, the fingerings for the particular instrument. Band/ensemble music can be taken to lessons to work on with teachers. Learning to play a musical instrument is great fun but it isn't always easy. Regular tuition and private practice are both key ingredients for success.

### **Music Fees**

Unfortunately, primary school music programs are not supported financially by the Department of Education. Music fees cover the cost of paying our Conductors and also help with the cost of sheet music, equipment and administration. BPS Music Committee is a non-profit organisation and every effort is made to keep band fees as low as possible. Music fees are payable twice a year, Term 1 & Term 3, this reduces administration for our volunteer Treasurer. Fees are paid each Semester (Term 1 & Term 3)

Concert Band - \$200 per Semester Training Band - \$200 per Semester



# **Instrument Try Out Day Expression of Interest**

STUDENT'S LAST NAME		_ CLASS
STUDENT'S FIRST NAME		_ Date of Birth
MOTHER'S NAME	FATHER'S NAM	E
HOME PHONE NO	MOBILE	
E-MAIL ADDRESS		
MAILING ADDRESS		
INSTRUMENT CHOICE:	1 <sup>ST</sup> CHOICE	
	2 <sup>ND</sup> CHOICE	
	3 <sup>RD</sup> CHOICE	

Please return to the school office by 2<sup>nd</sup> December

## KISS AND RIDE ZONES

<u>Kiss and Ride Zones</u> are for your child's safety, your convenience and to reduce congestion and confusion

### Kiss and Ride rules

- Kiss and Ride zones and "No Parking" operate under the same conditions
- Drivers may stop to drop off or pick up children for a maximum of 2 minutes
- Drivers must remain in or within 3 metres of their vehicle
- · Zone applies only during hours of operation
  - MINIMUM PENALTY \$177 & 2 DEMERIT POINTS





#### Remember:

### Do not leave your vehicle

To assist with traffic flow, drivers should remain in the car whilst children get in and out. Children should travel with bags in the car and not the boot

### Child Safety

Ensure children get in or out of the vehicle on the kerb side. The back seat is the safest seat for children to travel in, regardless of the make of your vehicle. Ensure children have their restraints securely fastened before driving off

#### No U-Turns

Do not do U-Turns in busy and congested school zones. It's dangerous and places young children at serious risk

#### Don't cut the queue

Don't push in the queue. Drop off or pick up your child close to the top of the zones allowing vehicles following you to enter the zone in an orderly manner

Kiss and Ride Zones need cooperation to remain effective and safe. Please drive carefully around our schools and protect all children.



Children must exit the car from the safety door - the rear footpath-side door.

It is unsafe to allow children to jump out of the car into the path of oncoming traffic.

# **SCHOOL ZONE PARKING OFFENCES**

Increased penalties for School Zones. Current as at 1 July 2016



Means that in the area in the direction of the arrow, you must NOT STOP your vehicle at any point on the road or kerb, unless there is a medical or other emergency.

### Maximum Penalty

\$433

+ 2 Demerit Points





Means that you have no more than 2 minutes for drop-offs or pick-ups of passengers or goods and the driver must stay within 3 metres of your vehicle. Penalty

\$180

+ 2 Demerit Points





Means that in the direction of the arrow or arrows you are not allowed to stop your vehicle unless you are driving a bus. Penalty

\$325

+ 2 Demerit Points



### **DOUBLE PARKING**

You are **NOT PERMITTED** to stop or park your vehicle alongside another vehicle that is already parked parallel to the kerb. Penalty

\$325

+ 2 Demerit Points

- STOP in a NO STOPPING zone: \$325 + 2 Demerit Points, or STOP on or near a Children's or Pedestrian Crossing: \$433 + 2 Demerit Points
- STOP on path/strip in built up area: \$180 + 2 Demerit Points
- STOP or Park in a Disabled Marked Area without a permit: \$541

<u>Please Note:</u> fines subject to change without notice. Current to 30 June 2017. These penalties apply to offences in school zones during posted school hours.



# School Travel Update 2017 Applications

### School Student Transport Scheme Applications open 10 October 2016

From Monday 10 October 2016 parents, guardians and students over 16 years, will be able to apply for 2017 School Student Transport Scheme (SSTS) travel pass by visiting <a href="https://www.transportnsw.info/school-students">www.transportnsw.info/school-students</a>

### Information for parents and students

School travel passes only need to be updated when a student:

- · changes address, or
- changes school or campus.

A new application is required when:

- applying for an SSTS pass for the first time,
- · enrolling in Kindergarten,
- progressing from Year 2 to Year 3,
- progressing from Year 6 to Year 7, or
- requesting an additional pass as a result of a new shared parental responsibility situation.

For more information on planning your school travel, visit <u>www.transportnsw.info</u> or contact your local operator.

### Passes for 2017 travel

**Opal network:** Please remind ALL students to keep their School Opal cards for travel in 2017. These cards will be automatically deactivated for school holidays and then reactivated for school travel in term one. Current School Opal cards can be updated with changes of school, home address or operator.

**Rural and regional travel:** Student's travelling with operator issued passes will receive a new pass in the new school year.

### Transdev Lost Property

Transdev advises:

If you or someone in your group leaves belongings on our bus, please contact us as soon as possible.

All lost property enquiries should go direct to our Bankstown Depot 02 8700 0555 or via our website www.trandevnsw.com.au.

We encourage you to make your enquiry as soon as possible to help speed up the recovery process.



### What is a School or Child/Youth Opal Card?

The School Opal card is a free travel or discounted travel Opal card to help eligible students to get to and from school. It is only valid for approved travel on school days between your home and

school with restricted hours, on the mode(s) specified in the original application.

For travel outside of school, for personal travel or if ineligible for a School Opal card, students should use a Child/Youth Opal card, a concession fare Opal card for customers aged 4/15 (inclusive), or customers 16 years or older who hold a NSW/ACT Senior Secondary School Concession Card. The card must have sufficient balance on it for the intended travel.

### Tap on and off, every time to validate your trip

At the start of each trip, tap on by placing your Opal card on an Opal card reader located at the entrance of the bus.

At the end of the trip, tap off by placing your Opal card on an Opal reader again.

Opal card holders must always tap on and off for each trip and each transport mode used during their journey.

If an error message displays when tapping on or off, students must take notes of the error code and contact Opal Customer Care for assistance.

### No tap on and off, no bus services

Although some might have a free pass, all students must tap on and tap off, so we understand customer travel patterns and can adjust the services provided if necessary.

**If students don't tap on and off, services may be withdrawn** due to the lack of recorded patronage, or redirected to other schools where the demand is higher.

Any lost, stolen, faulty or damaged Opal card must be **reported online immediately**. While waiting for a replacement card, students must use a Child/Youth Opal card to travel.

#### **Your Opal Customer Care useful contacts**

#### Call 13 67 25 (13 OPAL) or visit opal.com.au (24 hours, 7 days):

- ⇒ Access Opal School or Opal Child/Youth eligibility criteria,
- $\Rightarrow$  Apply for an Opal card,
- ⇒ Register a Child/Youth Opal card, view balance or top-up credit,
- ⇒ Report an Opal card error message when tapping on/off,
- ⇒ Update a student profile if details have changed (e.g.: school, home address),
- ⇒ Report a lost/stolen, faulty or damaged Opal card,
- ⇒ Order a replacement Opal card.

#### **Alternative contacts:**

National Relay Service (NRS) 133 677 – for deaf, hearing or speech impaired customers, Translating and Interpreting Service (TIS) 131 450 – for non-English Speaker.







### BORROWED CLOTHING

From time to time students need to have a change of clothes during the day.

The office holds a small amount of clothing which we lend to the students.

If your child has come home with different clothes and a note from us, please wash the items and return them to the school office, or classroom, as soon as possible so they will be available for use again.

Thank you



# BEROWRA PUBLIC SCHOOL PARENT/CAREGIVER CONSENT



I give permission for my son/daughter Name:	Class			
to attend the excursion/incursion	Date			
I understand that the excursion is approved by the Principal and involves travel by:				
BUS / TRAIN / WALK / PRIVATE CAR / FERRY	•			
I have made an online payment. My receipt number is:				
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