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KEERAWALL COMMUNITY OF SCHOOLS

A proud member of the:

NAIDOC Day

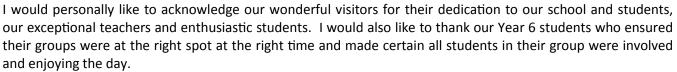
From 2014....."Once upon a time there was a principal who had this fantastic idea on how we as teachers could celebrate NAIDOC Day. Luckily, for her, she was surrounded by very supportive and enthusiastic teachers. So the idea grew and grew...."

Again our amazing teachers provided a rich and memorable experience for our students – ably supported and guided by **Adam Cryer** (parent and Aboriginal Facilitator extraordinaire!).

I am so proud to be part of such a dynamic and enthusiastic school and community.

Last Monday was the most amazing day. I am positive all children enjoyed the entire day commencing with the whole school assembly in the morning and then followed by the nine activities for the rest of the day. Children were immersed into the Aboriginal Culture by:

- Drama activities
- Board Games
- Painting Story Pebbles
- Painting our Yarning Circle logs
- Aboriginal Dances
- Yalunga (Indigenous) Games
- Hunting for Dinner (Boomerang Throwing)
- Painting our 'Wall of Hands' mural
- Yarning Circle discussion time



Just a few more..... **Miss Roberts** who coordinated and led the day, **Mrs Cabral** for her artistic creation of the 'Wall of Hands' and **Mrs Pickering** who organised (behind the scenes) all the supplies for the day and of course all the teachers who ensured all activities were organised for the day.

Thanks **School Support Group** who donated the funds to pay for all the paint and pebbles needed for our day and wall. **THANK YOU**

We are indeed fortunate that our students have an indepth knowledge and respect of Aboriginal Culture. At Berowra Public School we are very proud to acknowledge our shared history as **one mob**!

YARNING CIRCLE

During the Yarning Circle time on NAIDOC Day I was asked to provide a question to have all students discuss. My question was –"**Are you happy with our school uniform? If you could how would you change it**?"

- Girls hate the dresses want shorts, long pants and polo shirts
- All students want purple in the uniform
- Want sports like material
- Don't want shirts that need to be tucked in polo shirts!
- Sports shirts the same for everyone in a Berowra purple design more modern than the old fashioned 'house' shirts.
- Girls can't be mobile in the uniform.

These are the 'highlights' of the discussions – I will include all their comments on a separate page.

The overwhelming points that have come from this discussion, I feel, is the fact that in this day and age we are still dressing the students in the same uniforms that we all wore many years ago. We need to ensure greater equality for all students and ensure not only is the uniform practical, economical and promotes mobility to fight childhood obesity.

CONGRATULATIONS:

- Hayleigh S (6K) who is in the Sydney North Combined Arts Alive Choir and she performed at the Sydney Town Hall on Tuesday, 9th August. Very proud of all your efforts, Hayleigh.
- BPS Girl's Dance Group who have been selected to perform at the State Dance Festival at the Seymour Centre in September.
- Fiona T (5B) who has been chosen to play the tin whistle solo, "The Water is Wide", at the Opera House during the Arts Alive Choral Concert this term.







- Our BPS Drama Groups were amazing in the Arts Alive Drama Festival at the Seymour Centre in Week 2 this term. Their performance and behaviour were outstanding. Many thanks to Mrs Smith for her expertise and talent in preparing our students to shine in their performances. I was so proud to be part of this group and to watch them enjoy every minute and have their time in the spotlight!
- Mitchell G (4G) and Alex H (4G) were selected into the Forster Shield Team for Rep Cricket for the Hornsby Kuring-gai and Hills District Cricket Association. They are in the top team! Woohoo!
- Farewell and good luck to Miss Sarah Layson Sarah has spent the last four weeks on 3A as a prac teacher. Sarah will make an amazing educator and we will all miss you. Good luck in the rest of your studies Sarah and please drop in and visit us.



Mrs Butler

Mrs Sarah Webster will be continuing on KRed for the rest of the year. Mrs Judy Butler is off on extended sick leave. During the school holidays Judy suffered two brain bleeds and has been in hospital – she was airlifted from Port Macquarie.

Judy has been in and out of ICU and is now recovering from a major brain operation. She is resting well and hopefully will go home in the next few weeks. Judy is, as always, very chirpy and in good spirits. She is busy thinking about what she can next do for our veggie patch and is talking about dropping in to help with it when she is feeling better. She misses her wonderful KRed children but knows they are in good hands with Mrs Webster.

Mrs Judy Watson

Mrs Judy Watson, who was a teacher's aide for many years at BPS and grandmother to Grace, passed away on Friday after a battle with cancer.

During her time at BPS Judy was a major part of many of our students' learning journeys. She helped many children with their learning and ensured they always felt special and supported.

Judy always had a smile on her face and had a quick wit and generous nature. She will be sadly missed by all.

On behalf of the staff, students and parents I would like to express our deepest sympathy to Nicole, Andrew and Grace on the passing of Judy.

Di Bower

Principal

<u>LIBRARY</u> — <u>BOOK WEEK</u> is nearly here—20th - 26th August.

It is that time of year again when we celebrate all things literary. A time to celebrate our wonderful Australian authors and illustrators who provide such amazing stories and information books for our children. The theme for this years Book Week is "AUSTRALIA: STORY COUNTRY" and we have some exciting events planned to involve the children and immerse them in Book World!

Monday 22nd August - **BOOK CHARACTER PARADE**. 11.55am to 1.00pm approx. Children K-6 are encouraged to dress up as a character from a book they have enjoyed and take pare in the parade with their classmates. Primary childen are encouraged to form a group of characters from a book eg 'Alice in Wonderland', 'Tom Gates', 'Wizard of Oz', Deltora Quest series etc.

In keeping with the theme "Australia: Story Country" throughout the same day we will also be holding a '<u>GREAT</u> <u>STORY SWAP</u>' to help raise funds for the Indigenous Literacy Foundation. We will be encouraging children to tell a story in class about the character that they are dressed as on the day of the parade to support this great cause. Please bring a GOLD COIN donation on this day which will help to provide books and literacy resources for children and families in remote indigenous communities across Australia.

Monday afternoon will see the whole school involved in an afternoon of <u>LITERARY TRIVIA</u>. Groups of 20 children from K-6 will compete to be the Trivia Champions of 2016! It is always wonderful to see children from all grades joining together to collaborate and earn their team points.

On Wednesday 7th September, we will have a visiting performance of a show called '**FAIR DINKUM'**. It is an interactive show celebrating some of the current award winning authors and illustrators woven into a uniquely Aussie story. The cost is \$8 per child.

Arts Alive Combined Choir

At the end of last year I auditioned for the Arts Alive Combined Choir, I was successful and made it into this choir. Every Monday, along with Eliza and Fiona we travelled to Pennant Hills Primary School to rehearse. We have performed at the War Veterans Retirement Village, Collaroy Plateau and the Seymour Centre. We will be performing at the Opera House on 30th August. On 10th September we will be singing at the opening day of Operation Art at Sydney Olympic Park and later in the year we will be in the School Spectacular.

On Tuesday 9th August I will be performing with the Arts Alive Combined Choir and the schools massed choir at Sydney Town Hall for the Arts Alive Choral Concert. It is going to be a long day with the rehearsals starting at 11am and going until 5pm. This is when I get to see my mum and sister and have dinner with them.

I go back to the Town Hall at 6pm to prepare for the concert which will start at 7pm. The concert will finish at 9.15pm and then I have to catch the train home.

I am excited but also nervous about trying to remember all the songs I have to perform. I recommend anyone who loves choir to try out for the Arts Alive Combined Choir.

Hayleigh S 6K

Thank you for your help and encouragement of your children's reading. A love of reading is one of the greatest gifts we can give our children.

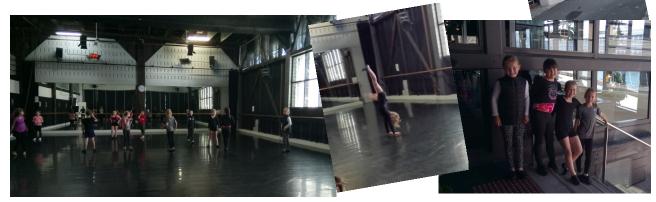
BOOK FAIR. A very big thank you to parents, family and friends who supported our Book Fair on NAIDOC Day last week. Our book sales were around \$3000 and we will receive 20% to 30% in commission. We also had 40 new books donated to the Library. The child donating will have their name put on the book and will be able to borrow it first as soon as it is processed. Thank you one and all for your generosity.

- Jennie Smith

DANCE— **State Dance Festival** - Congratulation to our Girls Dance Group for being selected to perform at the State Dance Festival at the Seymour Centre on Wednesday 14th September at 7.30pm. Schools from all over the state apply to participate in this festival and only a small number are selected. This will be the first time Berowra Public School participates in this festival. I would like to congratulate the girls and wish them luck for their performance.

If you are interested in purchasing tickets, you can buy them through The Seymour Centre, either online at seymourcentre.com or phone 9351 7940. On Monday and Tuesday this week we had some lucky students attend dance workshops at the Sydney Dance Company. They participated in various dance styles taught by professional choreographers and teachers. They had a wonderful time. Well done to Lucy H, Skye T, Tatiana R, Jasmine B, Evie P, Sophia H and Ellora M for representing Berowra Public School.

- Kelly Lukic



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DRAMA— What a wonderful time we had performing at the Arts Alive Drama Festival at the Seymour Centre on Thursday 28th July. The children were so professional, doing their very, very best to bring our two plays, 'Lost in Space' and 'Dream Dust' to life. I was so proud of the way they behaved to and from the theatre, in the theatre and on the stage. It can be very daunting to be on stage performing all on your own, with no teacher and in front of a large audience. Even our youngest 6 year olds performed like troupers!

Thank you parents, family and friends for your support and a special thanks to your talented, creative children.

Well done all!

Jennie Smith



NAIDOC DAY by Tiana P (3A)

I learnt that NAIDOC stands for National Aborigines and Islanders Day Observance Committee. I also learnt that a yarning circle is good because you are sitting in a circle and there are no bosses for being the top or the bottom of the table.

The dances that we did were experiences dances because they are much different than our sparkly dances that we do right now in our lives.

I liked when we got our hands painted to put on the wall and dabbed it on the legs for around your hand.

NAIDOC DAY by Alex J (3A)

Yesterday it was NAIDOC Day and we had a big celebration by participating in traditions that the Aboriginals did.

We started with an assembly in the hall and we had Mr Adam Cryer open the assembly and put us into groups. I was put into group 6.

At recess there was a cake stall. One cake was 50c and there was a book fair where you could buy books for all different prices around \$3.

Without warning the recess bell went and I rushed to my next activity. We read some books and then went to boomerang throwing.

The boomerang throwing was my favourite activity because we got to hit imaginary kangaroos with boomerangs. My boomerang came back to me in mid-air.

Meanwhile we played Yalunga games. The game I played was where there were some tennis balls and a cricket bat. The person with the cricket bat had to defend the bucket and hit the tennis balls away.

For my last activity I did a mural on the halls back wall. It was a giant tree.

It was a great day and I can't wait for two years' time when we do it again!!!

NAIDOC DAY by Araliya K (3A)

Yesterday we had a NAIDOC assembly and Mr Adam Cryer came. My two favourite things were throwing a boomerang and the yarning circle.

Mrs Bower (aka Principal) and Mrs Bolger were doing the boomerang throwing. My boomerang went way over the demountables and landed over near the vegie patch.

Mr Cryer and Mr Parkinson were at the yarning circle. We talked about our uniform and what we should change. I said "our school colours are gold and purple and we have no purple on our uniform."



Our NAIDOC Celebrations last week were a HUGE success! Thank you to all the parents and visitors who helped us celebrate, particularly Mr Adam Cryer for donating his time to run a Yarning Circle. All Berowra Public School children were respectful and wholeheartedly engaged in many culturally significant activities including art, drama, dance, sport, games and storytelling. We are very proud of the knowledge, respect and interest our students and community show towards our shared history and culture and believe that we are 'one Mob'.













ENROL NOW FOR KINDERGARTEN 2017

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.

Berowra Beginners Program commences week 1 next term and Kindergarten Orientation Day on Thursday 24th November.

For more information contact the school office on 9456 1319.



NOTES YOU MAY HAVE MISSED				
Sent Out	Subject	Distribution	Response before	
23/3	Classroom Resources	K-6	overdue	
20/7	Year 1 Gymnastics	Year 1	4/8	
20/7	Teddy Bears Picnic	Kindy	4/8	
10/8	Swimming & Water Safety Program	Year 2 & some Yr3	8/9	
10/8	Great Story Swap	K-6	22/8	
10/8	Zone Track & Field	Zone reps	18/8	
-	Most notes are on the BPS website under 'Our School' tab—'Missed a Note?'			

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AUGUST			
8-12	Stage 3 Lake Burrendong Camp		
Thurs 11	KB Teddy Bears Picnic excursion		
Mon 15	Music Festival rehearsal at BPS		
Tues 16	 16 UNSW Mathematics competition KR & KY Teddy Bears Picnic excursion Soccer Gala Day 		
Mon 22 Book Week Book Character Parade for K Sausage Sizzle Book Trivia competition			
Tues 23	FoIM Opera House rehearsal/performance Fathers Day Stall		
Wed 24	Zone Athletics Carnival P&C meeting 7.30pm in staffroom		
Sat 27	Bunnings BBQ		
Tues 30	Opera House Choir performance		
SEPTEME	BER		
Fri 2	Fathers Day BBQ BPS Disco		
Mon 5	Music Festival rehearsal & matinee perf.		
Tues 6	6 Music Festival evening performance		
Wed 7	Book Author visit K-6		
Fri 9	Berowra Musica		
Mon 12	Area Athletics Carnival		
Tues 13	Canteen pasta lunch special		
Wed 14	State Dance Festival at Seymour Centre		
Wed 21	P&C meeting 7.30pm in staffroom		
Fri 23	Last day of term 3		
OCTOBE	R		
Mon 3	Labour Day Public Holiday		
Mon 10	Staff and Students return for Term 4		
10-21	Special Swim Scheme		
17-3/11	Kindy 2017 Beginners Group		
26 or 27	Stage 1 Kalkari excursion P&C meeting 7.30pm in staffroom		
NOVEMB	ER		
Sat 12	t 12 Berowra Public School Fair		
14-15	Yr 3 Gibberagong camp		
Wed 16	P&C meeting 7.30pm in staffroom		
Thurs 17	Y5 high school experience day		
21-22	Yr 4 Gibberagong camp		
22-23	Yr 3 Gibberagong camp		
28-29	Yr 4 Gibberagong camp		

*****************	Class Awards
	8 July - 10 August
***** KB	**************************************
KY	Ayden P, Summer W, Atoosa A, William H
1 S	Josh B, Peter W, Isobel F, William W
1T	Lara S, Katerina M, Tahnee W
2C	Raiph C, Jackson M, Luca D, Daniel F
3A	Caroline B, Avari D, Harry S
3R	Kiara B, Robert W, Javaan A, Jacob B, Annabelle H, Chantelle C, Nicholas G, Charlotte S, Annaliese S
3/4P	Daniel L, Finn L, Leela S
4G	Lincoln V, Mackenzie F, Jensen G
5B	Shamaya V, Kiana L, Brooke F
6 B	Blake C, Sophia V, Stella M, Daniel W, Zarli V, Will P
6K	Mirabel J, Abiha I, Emily D



Parents and students are

reminded that mobile phones are not to be brought to school except in exceptional circumstances.

Then the mobile phone must be left at the school office before school and collected at the end of the school day.

INTERSCHOOL SPORT first games start by 12.45

Friday 12th August

Friday 19th August

PSSA Football and Netball

vs Hornsby North at

Semi Finals to be advised

Finals

Finals

Montview Oval - Junior football only

PSSA AFL

Semi Finals Junior vs Waitara Senior not playing

Field 8

always at **Foxglove Oval** **Finals** to be advised to be advised



Our school is holding a

GREAT STORY SWAP

For the Indigenous Literacy Foundation!



In conjunction with the 'Book Parade' day in week 6, our school is holding a Great Story Swap on Monday 22nd August 2016 to support the Indigenous Literacy Foundation (ILF).

To take part we are encouraging children to tell a story in class about the character that they are dressed as on the book parade day. They can also bring along the book to encourage other children to go out and read it. Teachers will allocate time throughout the day so that the children can 'swap stories' about the book their character is from and share these with their class. Children can also share other stories from other books they have read if need be.

Please support us by bringing in a **gold coin donation** on **Monday 22nd August** to raise funds for this fantastic cause

The ILF will use these funds to provide books and literacy resources for children and families in remote Indigenous communities across Australia. In the past few years, with the support of many schools, they have sent more than 150,000 high quality books to over 250 remote communities.

We appreciate your support.

Di Bower Principal

Stage 3 News

We started the term with team building exercises using equipment to train for leading the Yulunga Games as part of NAIDOC Day.

Training and initial sessions of the Peer Reading program with Year 1, lunch time soccer training sessions for Kindy and Year 1 girls, Scientist in Schools program Is it only Week 2?

Camp preparation, Year 5 Cake Stall, Drama as well as all our school work. We'll all need a holiday....probably in Week 4.





KANGA CUP



During the holidays some girls from years five and six went down to Canberra to play in the Kanga Cup (a soccer tournament). We play Diamond League at Hornsby Heights FC. Diamond League is a development league for girls only. There were two teams going down, the G11's and G12's. Berowra Public School was represented by Emily Da Silva, Sophia Vaughan, Dayna Brogan, Danielle Phipps, Imogen Lassau-Wray, Brooke Fury, Zara Gormly, Mikayla Smith and Alicia Surace.

Day 1

When we arrived in Canberra we went to our opening ceremony at Commonwealth Park. There were teams from all over Australia as well as some international teams

from Korea and New Zealand. After the opening ceremony we all drove to our motel. Both teams all stayed at Sundown Motel. Later that night both teams went out for dinner at a Thai restaurant.

Day 2

The G12's played their first game against Tuggeranong United FC and won 6-3. Later that day the G12's played Monaro Panthers FC and won 6-0. The G11's played their first game against a tough Gladesville Sharks team and drew 1-1. Later that day they played Brindabella and won 4-1. We had another squad dinner that night.

Day 3

The G12's were lucky to play as it was rainy, muddy and cold. The G12's played against Belsouth FC Bombers and lost 2-4. Later in the day the G12's played Woden Valley Hammers and won 1-0 in a soaked muddy pitch. Unfortunately the G11's game was called off due to rain.

Day 4

This time the G12's didn't play due to rain so we got to spend the afternoon at Questacon. The G11's were lucky to play and played another tough game in a 1-1 draw with Canberra United Academy.

Day 5

The G12's again had a day of no football so we went and supported the G11's in their game against Maccabi Hakoah Magic. Despite the enthused support the G11's went down narrowly 0-1. We has our last squad dinner that night.



With 3 wins and 1 loss the G12's got to play in a grand final against Balmain DFC. With no game for the G11's, the G11's returned the enthusiastic support for our grand final game. Unfortunately the G12's lost 2-0, but we still had a fun time. After our game the G12's went to the award ceremony. The G12's came runners up which was amazing.

All girls had an amazing time in Canberra. It was an amazing opportunity for all of us which we thoroughly enjoyed.

By Emily Da Silva 6K









Transdev NSW, the bus operator that provides our school bus service has asked us to pass on the following message to parents.

"One of the more significant changes created by the recent introduction of the School Opal card is the need for students to tap on and off when they travel to and from school.

Opal data gathered by tapping on and off is used to determine demands for bus services. If students don't tap on and tap off, services may be cancelled due to the lack of recorded patronage.

With this in mind, we ask for your assistance in reminding your students that tapping on and off at the beginning and end of each trip is one of the conditions of using a School Opal card.

Your assistance helps us ensure we are able to provide the appropriate level of service to students."









Now open to Year 6 students!

Fusion Jacks Youth Café, is a safe after-school venue specifically designed for high-school students, which offers:

- Adult supervision (including trained youth workers) from a broad agerange: uni students through to grandparents
- Opportunities for leadership development and community service
- Skills development (eg cooking, craft, social)
- Opportunities to make healthy choices that increase resilience and help young people reach their potential
- Free activities
- Cheap snacks and drinks
- A healthy place to talk with adults about life issues, and the option of referral to more sophisticated help where necessary.

Mention this AD on your first visit to Jacks Youth Café and you will receive a COMPLIMENTARY DRINK!!!

For more information please call our office on 9477 1110 or visit our Facebook page - **JacksYouthCafe**

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SCHOOL REWARDS PROGRAM

Athlete's Foot

LOWER GROUND FLOOR WESTFIELD SHOPPINGTOWN

HAVE YOU CHANGED YOUR ADDRESS or CONTACT DETAILS including your email address? ARE THERE NEW MEDICAL DETAILS?

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

If your child has any medical conditions that you feel we should be aware of, please advice us immediately.

Phone the school office on 9456 1319

Your family can get FREE dental care

Did you know ...?

- ALL CHILDREN under 18 years old can have FREE dental care
- Have a Government concession card? You are eligible for FREE dental care
- Anyone listed on your Government concession card are also eligible for FREE dental care
- Waiting times are reducing due to extra funding so it's a good time to register your family!



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Please help Berowra Public School raise money when you are buying name labels for clothes, school items and lunch boxes etc.

By using a fundraising code (BPSS) that links to Berowra Public School, the school will receive a percentage of the money spent!

The websites we are registered with are :-

www.stuckonyou.com.au

www.brightstarkids.com.au

OUR SCHOOL FUNDRAISING CODE IS BPSS

To place an order, create a personal account online and then enter the fundraising code BPSS at the checkout/payment section. The code is the same for both organisations. Money raised will go towards school resources and projects.

Thank you

Are you happy with our school uniform? If you could how would you change it?"

- Girls should be able to wear pants instead of dresses
- The dresses are uncomfortable to run in
- Include purple
- Should be thinner in summer
- Boys should wear a tie
- More comfortable material
- Have uniforms like sports uniforms
- Boys should not have to tuck their shirts in
- Girls should be able to wear the same thing as boys as they do not like the skirts
- Girls should not have to wear dresses
- No collar on shirts it's uncomfortable
- Uniform should be black so it doesn't get dirty easily
- Shorts and tee shirts
- Have sports uniform
- Pick summer or winter uniform depending on the weather not the season
- No specific shoes
- Boy's shirt is uncomfortable with buttons
- Long sports uniform not just shorts
- Girl's yellow shirts are cold
- Girls should have skirts and tee shirts and shorts if they want
- Girl's winter uniform is very uncomfortable
- Something easier to put on
- Something with indigenous colours/design
- Choose uniform based on weather not season
- Softer material shirts
- Slip on shirts
- School colours but any clothing
- Warmer winter uniforms
- Girls don't like skirts or dresses because it restricts them running around (multiple times)
- Dull colours
- Too formal for our lives
- Yellow stains easily

- Blue for boys/purple for girls
- Girls should be able to wear trousers if they want to
- Girls should not have to wear dresses
- Add purple it's dull at the moment
- No buttoned shirts
- Girls should have a choice of shorts over dresses
- Add purple
- Have a hooded jumper
- Different hats caps
- Change sports shirts to purple
- Jumpers and shirts should be warmer
- It's itchy and scratchy
- Too uncomfortable to play in
- Dull colours
- Long sleeved shirt with no buttons
- New design for the badge
- More pockets
- It's okay how it is
- Girls should have pants
- Needs purple in it
- Girls need shorts
- Wear sports uniform all the time
- Keep it the same
- Design competition
- It's unfair because the boy's winter and summer are practically the same and the girl's is
- totally different
- More sporty pants
- Polo shirts in place of current sports shirts in the PSSA style
- We should have purple in the dresses
- Can't be very mobile in the girl's dress that's why we don't play on the oval very much
- Incorporate Aboriginal design into the uniform
- Keep sports uniform scrap everything else
- Change girl's winter uniform shirt under dress- it is really uncomfortable
- Girls should be allowed to wear shorts
- Change yellow and grey to include purple
- Change material of shorts and not a buttoned shirt
- Have long pants in winter for girls
- Change colour