

1st March, 2017 Term 1 Week 6



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Swimming Carnival

Our swimming carnival ran 'like clockwork' last Thursday with many competitors gaining PBs (personal best times). Congratulations to Jensen G who broke FIVE records. Many thanks to Mr Parkinson and his band of merry teachers who worked tirelessly both before and at the carnival to ensure the smooth running. Many thanks to the parents who supported the day either by assisting with judging, working in the canteen, cheering and supporting the carnival.

Again a huge thank you to **Wayne Bingham** for donating his time, equipment and expertise. We are truly fortunate to have these wonderful parents, grandparents and community members at BPS.

I was very impressed with the non-competitors at the carnival. It is inspiring to see them joining in during the day and cheering on their friends who are competing. They also enjoyed their 25m races.

This carnival (as with the other carnivals during the year) is part of the PE/H/PD syllabus and as this is our curriculum all children in Years 3-6 should be in attendance.

The Hornsby Zone Swimming Carnival is on Monday, 6th March and we wish all our competitive swimmers all the best.

March Money Madness

March is the month we are collecting as many 5c pieces as we can. The Student Leadership Team is running this fundraiser to buy more reading materials for the school. Please send in all your 5c pieces to your child's class. The class that collects the most 5c pieces will be treated to a morning tea (which I will be providing).

Congratulations

Fiona T (5/6K) and **Shamaya V R** (5/6E) – members of the 'Arts Alive Combined Schools Choir 2017'. They will be performing as part of the Premier's Gala Concert on Wednesday 8^{th} March at ICC Darling Harbour.

Cooper G (5/6K) – selected into the Hornsby Zone Cricket Team. He will be competing for a place in the Sydney North Area Cricket Team on Monday 13th March. Good luck Cooper.

Jensen G (5/6B) – broke FIVE records at the Swimming Carnival last Thursday. Wow! Congratulations Jensen and all the best for the Zone Carnival on Monday

Special Religious Education (SRE)

Parents/caregivers in public schools have the right to have their children receive instruction in their preferred religious persuasion, where authorised teachers of that persuasion are available.

A special religious education program is available at the school and is run by authorised volunteers of approved religious persuasions.

Section 32 of the Education Act 1990 states that 'in every government school, time is to

be allowed for the religious education of children of any religious persuasion. The religious education to be given to children of any religious persuasion is to be given by a member of the clergy or other religious teacher of that persuasion authorised by the religious body to which the member of the clergy or other religious teacher belongs.'

Section 33A of the Education Act 1990 specifies that if the parent/caregiver of a child objects to their child receiving SRE, that child is entitled to receive **SEE** (Special Education in Ethics), at the parent/caregiver's request, provided it is reasonably practicable for SEE to be made available at the school the child attends.

Students continue in the same arrangement each year, unless a parent/caregiver has requested a change in writing. At any time, you have the right to change your SRE nomination or to withdraw your child from the nominated lessons. A note to the Principal will affect this change.

At Berowra Public School we are indeed fortunate to be able to provide Anglican, Roman Catholic and Ethics Classes. Children not 'enrolled' in these classes go to another classroom for 'non SRE' where they are able to read, complete homework or individual tasks.

School Times

Our morning bell rings at 8:50am, this is when our teachers are on duty. Before this time if your child arrives at school they are **unsupervised.** If you need to drop your child at school before 8:50am please enrol them at BOOSH where they will be supervised.

School finishes at 3:20pm and then teachers are usually in meetings either with parents or other staff members. Teachers are not on playground duty after 3:20pm so if you are running late to collect your child/ren please let the office know or make arrangements for them to attend BOOSH

Driving and Parking safely around BPS

Parents please be mindful around the school when dropping or picking up your children. Many parents are doing **U-turns** either outside the office or even into Balaclava Street. A parent witnessed at least 10 cars the other morning during peak drop off time. This is extremely dangerous for our children. Please also be respectful to all parents by not parking in the Kiss and Drop Zone. If this area is used just for pick up and drop off then the traffic should flow seamlessly.

Also, please think about where you park – a parent parked across the teacher's car park the other morning and created a traffic jam down Hillcrest Road as the teachers were trying to enter the car park. Please parents do not park across driveways.

Di Bower

Principal

Stage 3 News

Stage 3 have delved in to the life and times of August Pullman, the main character in R.J Palacio's bestselling novel 'Wonder'. In doing so, we have explored the themes of kindness, family, belonging, bullying, tolerance and hardship.

Across stage 3 we are well under way in our study of Rainforests. Students have developed an understanding of the importance of rainforests to life on Earth, the layers of the rainforest and the difference between temperate and tropical rainforests.





Stage 1 - Week 6

Stage 1 has commenced working on their spelling program, Words Their Way. This program involves phonics, vocabulary and spelling instruction. A variety of activities are used and integrated into the daily class literacy groups. We have also begun the Buddy Reading program with Stage 3 and Year 1, three (3) days a week. This program strongly supports the reading skills that the teachers are focusing on in the classroom. Thank you for reading with your children each night, this makes enthusiastic and skilled readers. Regards,

Stage 1 staff

What's new in Stage 2

Stage 2 is enjoying Friday sport. Some of the children go to PSSA Cricket, League Tag, Softball and T-Ball. These children enjoy competing against other schools learning fair play and good sportsmanship as well as promoting our school expectation of Respect.

The children not in PSSA enjoy sport at school. Each week these children participate in a different sport also learning about fair play, sportsmanship and showing respect for others, self and community. The children this term spend a week each playing League Tag, T-Ball, Cricket, Netball and Newcombe Ball.

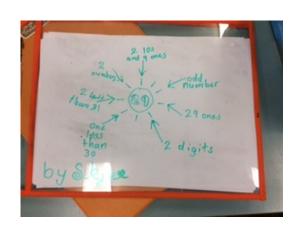
This week some year 3 and 4 enjoyed playing Newcombe Ball with Mrs Withford. All the children tried their best and encouraged each other, which are all things stage 2 teachers are busy

promoting in class.



3A has been enjoying exploring numbers. In this activity the children had to write down what they knew about the number 29. We were exploring using our mathematical language as we talked about what we knew about two digit numbers. We have also been using dice and cards to practice adding and subtracting 2, 3 and 4 digit numbers.





Harmony Day

On Tuesday 21st March we will celebrate Harmony Day. The students will come to school in mufti wearing something orange. The students will be working with their buddy classes on activities related to Harmony Day.

Dance News

Congratulations to Imogen L, India H and Mikayla S who attended two days of talented dance workshops at Sydney Dance Company on Monday 27th and Tuesday 28th February. This was a wonderful opportunity for these girls to work with professionals in a variety of dance styles and experience the inspiring environment of the Sydney Dance Company studios.

On Monday 13th and Tuesday 14th March, Mac T will be representing our school at the Year 5 and 6 Boys Only dance workshops at Sydney Dance Company. We wish Mac the best of luck.

Science - Thank you Mr Ford!!!



We would like to sincerely thank Mr Stephen Ford, for his generous donation of science equipment to our school. This kind donation comes with the offer of his talented science teaching experience, which we look forward to utilising this year. We are so lucky to have such wonderful, kind and generous parents.

Mrs Sally Till

Assistant Principal



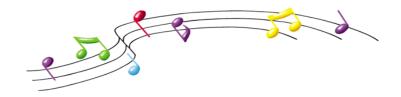
Don't forget The Crest is also available on the school website:

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Click on the Newsletter tab.

Parent Online Payments can also be made from the BPS website using the 'Make a payment' tab.

Music news



Music Groups have all commenced this term with a wonderful sound. 2017 has seen many new students begin to learn an instrument. The School Bands are conducted by Mr lain Howick and rehearse once a week.

Concert Band (advanced students) - Tuesday 8am,

Training Band (Beginners) Wed 8am

Band instruments include, Trumpet, Trombone, Flute, Clarinet, Saxophone and Percussion. Band instruments are available for students from Year 3 onwards. If your child would like to learn an instrument and be part of our exciting Band Program, please contact Naomi at bpsband@hotmail.com.

We also have a talented Recorder teacher at BPS in Sue Thorvaldson, our Beginner Recorder program teaches children how to read music, learn rhythms and most of all play as a team. If you would like to enrol your child in Recorder please contact sue.thorv@gmail.com Recorder starts from Year 1

Beginner Recorder rehearsals - Tuesday 8:45-9:15am

The String Program is also open to students from Kindy onwards, if your child is learning a String Instrument and would like to play in the ensemble please contact sue.thorv@gmail.com

String Rehearsals – Thursday – 8am

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.

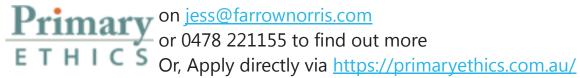
If your child has come home with different clothes and a note from us, please wash the items and return them to the school office, or classroom, as soon as possible so they will be available for use again.

To assist with this process it would be helpful if Kindy parents packed a spare pair of underwear in your child/ren's school bag.

Thank you

BECOME AN ETHICS TEACHER

- The Stage 2 Ethics class is full I need another teacher please!
- Ethics classes run on Wednesday morning.
- Grandparents or community members are very welcome to apply! Contact the Ethics Cooordinator, Jess,



Upcoming Events					
MARCH					
Fri 3	Stewart House bags—last day				
Mon 6	Zone Swimming Carnival at Hornsby				
Tues 7	AGHS & ABHS Open Night				
Thurs 9	Selective High School testing				
Fri 10	Last day for PSSA summer comp till term 4				
Sat 11	AGHS & ABHS Enrichment Class testing				
Wed 15	P&C meeting 7.30pm in staffroom				
Mon 20	Area Swimming Carnival				
Tues 21	Sausage Sizzle—Canteen				
Thurs 30	BPS School Photo day				
Fri 31	PSSA winter comp commences				
APRIL					
Thurs 6	Hat Parade				
Fri 7	Last day of term 1				
Fri 14	Good Friday				
Mon 17	Easter Monday				
Mon 24	SDD—staff return to school				
Tues 25	ANZAC Day public holiday				
Wed 26	All students return for term 2				
MAY					
Tues 2	Mothers Day stall				
Thurs 4	BPS Cross Country Carnival				
Mon 8	Kindy 2018 Information session 7pm				
9-11	NAPLAN Testing for Year 3 & 5				
Wed 17	P&C meeting 7.30pm in staffroom				
Thurs 18	Kindy 2018 Information session 10am				
Tues 23	UNSW Digital Technology competition				
Mon 29	Zone Cross Country				
Tues 30	UNSW Science competition				
JUNE					
Fri 9	Area Cross Country				
Mon 12	Queen's Birthday public holiday				
Tues 13	UNSW Writing competition				
Wed 14	UNSW Spelling competition				
Thurs 15	BPS Athletics Carnival				

Class Awards Week 4 and 5

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KR	Dylan H, Skye B, Tristan E, Rosabella B
KY	Lucy H, Jack S, Dillon K, Gabby B
18	Ruby B, Harrison B, Callum H, Abbie R
1T	Ruby N, Maddie B, Xavier A, Ruby N, Atoosa A, Maddie B
2C	Charlotte G, Leanne C
2P	Jack W, Elle R, Josh B, Katerina M, Harry A, Isobel F
3/4P	Sarah P, Kaiya H, Chantelle C, Zoe D, Caroline B, Javaan A, Timeka C, Jayden L.
3A	Taye C, Sam F, Skye T, Dorian T, Cameron P, Marcus Z, Jonathan C, Molly N
3R	Harvy B, Cooper L, Zane D, Hannah H, Oliver M, Max M, Caleb F, Daniel F, Nancy P,
4C	Finn F, Finn L, India N, Liam J, Evie M, Elias C, Jasmine B, Zeke J, Dean G,
4P	Kiara B, Grace B, Emily C, Jayden B, Tyler G, Chloe C, Harry S, Araliya K, Benjamin O
5/6B	Maximus V, Rowan S, Charlie L, Kian S, Zoe V,
5/6K	Sophia H, Alicia S, Shauna R, Tim C, Fiona T, Neve R, Mitchell G, Saxon W
5/6S	Sarah H, Hayley C, Ben P, Imogen G, Emma B

MOBILE PHONES AT SCHOOL

Parents and students are reminded that mobile phones are <u>not to be brought to school</u> except in exceptional circumstances.

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



Girls

Make your move

On the weekend my sister and I, Ava Andis, were selected to have free surf lessons at the Australian Open of Surfing in Manly with a group called Girls Make Your Move. This is a government program created to encourage girls to get out and play different sports. They wanted to send a message to girls that it doesn't matter if you're a beginner or if you're not typically sporty the idea is to be involved, have a go and to have loads of fun.

We got up early on Sunday morning, it was cold and raining and it made me think that I'm not going to have a good day today. We packed our wetsuits, warm clothes and LOTS of healthy snacks because surfing for hours makes me very hungry. When we got to Manly there were lots of tents set up with people watching the skateboarding and BMX competition. We made our way over to the Girls Make Your Move tent where we met our surf instructor and got our super cool rash shirts. We made our way down to the beach where the instructor told us about rips and currents. This was very useful

information because a soon as I entered the water my sister and I got swept sideways by one. I was able to paddle sideways out of the rip with the help of one the older girls but Ava being a midget could not and required some help from super dad.

After those events we moved further down the beach out of the rip and spent the other hour surfing in the calm sunlit water, it was amazing. Because I had surfed before the instructor took me out beyond the break so I could catch some long waves in.

After we finished Ava and I got our official photo and name tags, fake tattoos, our hair braided and a free chap stick. We finished the day with photos, hot chips, frozen yoghurt, it was an amazing day! I would encourage everyone to have a go.



School Support Group News

We are looking forward to welcoming all the new kindy children to the school's first disco of the year (March 17). The theme will be Green for

St Patricks Day.

All our parent helpers have a current volunteer Working With Children Check (WWC), DJ Sean has a current professional WWC and Public Liability Insurance. We also have a first aid officer on hand to assist with any incidents.

As aleays, if you can lend us a hand to either set up, pack up or to supervise during the disco we woul appreciate the help.

Please contact Chris, Jaimie, Tammy or Tracey.

Thank you from the School Support Group.

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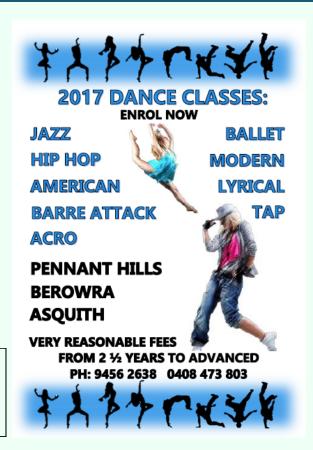
Stewart House Clothing Appeal

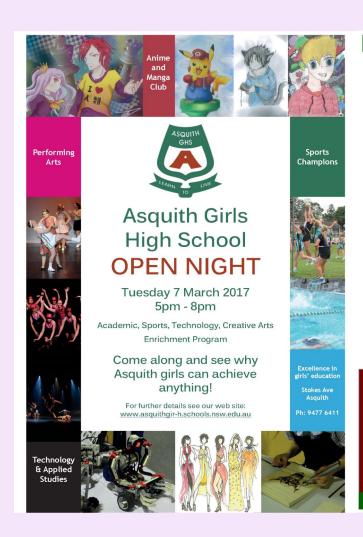


It's time for a clean out of those cupboards over the next few weeks!

Stewart House are again asking for donations of clean clothing.

Please return your Stewart House bag to the **staffroom foye**r by **Friday 3rd March**.







Peats Ferry Rd, Asquith Phone: 9477 3508 Website: . International Tours - Football, Language & HSIE

2018 Enrichment Class Examination

Asquith Boys High School is offering places in the 2018 Year 7 Enrichment Class. Entrance into this class for academically gifted students, is based on the results of a placement test. The Enrichment Class placement test will be held on

Saturday 11 March 2017. For an application package go to our website www.asquithboy-h.schools.nsw.edu.au or contact the school office on 9477 3508.

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7 - 8.30pm in the school auditorium. Parking is available on Yarrabung Road but not on school gro

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Cost

Registration fee of \$15 for the 2 x 1 hour sessions

Player pack \$37.50 includes stick, shin guards and hockey ball

Mouth guards are required; they can be purchased from the club canteen or any chemist

Even if you can't make both days, it's still a great opportunity to Try Hockey!

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Sarah 0403 202 383 or Edwina 0423 138 734

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Phone - 0415 881 301

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<u>CarersSupport</u> Group

If you care for a relative or friend join us to access information and support

Speaker: Dimity Pond-GP"Mental Health for those in the caring role"

Carer Support Service Northern Sydney Local Health Dis-

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Wednesday8 March2017

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COST: Free.

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RSVP:9456 3344

Next Meeting Date: Wednesday

12April2017

Multicultural craft activities for children over four years old and parents/carers.

Join us to learn more about different cultures in our country, and make a traditional craft reflecting them. These activities will be held in two identical sessions for your convenience. Children under 16 years old must be supervised by an adult

When: Saturday 25 March Session One: 2pm-2.50pm Session Two: 3pm-3.50pm

Where: Hornsby Library Meeting Room,

28-44 George St, Hornsby

Cost: Free

Bookings required. Phone Diana (Chinese) on

0488 884 372 email Amy (Korean) at eunme.joo@cmrc.com.au or Jian at jzhao@hornsby.nsw.gov.au

2017 Registrations Now Open!

Registrations are now open for the 2017 season with Brooklyn United Soccer Club*. Family discounts are also available.**

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Age Group	Club Fee	Age Group	Club Fee	
Under 6	\$140.00	Under 12	\$175.00	
Under 7	\$140.00	Under 13	\$175.00	
Under 8	\$150.00	Under 14	\$175.00	
Under 9	\$150.00	Under 15	\$175.00	
Under 11	\$160.00	Girls U12/U13	\$175.00	

Jerseys are loaned for the season.

Shorts and socks are also available for purchase.

Shorts are \$30 and socks are \$10.

Contact Details

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p: 0419 696 239

^{*} Online Registrations close Sunday March 6 2017. Manual payment option available so no credit card required. EFTPOS machine available on the registration and pre-season training days.

^{**} The family discount of 25% applies to the second and each subsequent member of the same family. Player 1 is the player with the highest fee.

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.





MARCH MONEY MADNESS

March Money Madness Month is a fundraising month for

'Literature Resources'. Send in all your 5c pieces

The fundraiser will run only during the month of March -

so let the competition begin......



2017 SWIMMING CARNIVAL RESULTS

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	
Boys Junior Medley	Baylin G				
Boys Senior Medley	Jensen G	Cooper G	Lincoln V	Mac T	
Girls Senior Medley	Neve R	Alicia S	Katie C		
50m Freestyle		•		-1	
8 Years Boys	Callum L	Owen M	Kobe R	Hayden F	
Girls	Anouk D				
9 Years Boys	Baylin G	Dean G	Alex J	Archie R	
Girls	Tanya P	Chloe L	Lucy H	Anna P	
10 Years Boys	Alex H	Jarvis L	Finn L	Julian C	
Girls	Natasha W	Zoe D	Isabella C	Isabella J	
11 Years Boys	Jensen G	Lincoln V	Jake Da S	Jonathan C	
Girls	Alicia S	India H	Megan W	Samantha S	
12 Years Boys	Cooper G	Danny C	Ben P	Saxon W	
Girls	Neve R	Danielle P	Zara G	Hayley C	
50m Breaststroke					
Junior Boys	Jarvis L	Alex J	Alex H	Callum L	
Girls	Tanya P	Lucy H	Grace B	Chloe L	
11 Years Boys	Jensen G	Lincoln V	Orlando J	Mac T	
Girls	Alicia S	Megan W	Katie C	Catherine A	
12 Years Boys	Cooper G	Danny C	Ben Ba D	Ben P	
Girls	Zoe V	Zara G	Neve R	Emma B	
50m Backstroke					
Junior Boys	Finn L	Callum L	Jarvis L	Baylin G	
Girls	Natasha W	Zoe D	Grace B	Isabella C	
11 Years Boys	Jensen G	Lincoln V	Jake Da S	Jonathan C	
Girls	Megan W	Katie C	Alicia S	Catherine A	
12 Years Boys	Cooper G	Danny C	Saxon W		
Girls	Neve R	Isabella A	Zara G	Monique W	
50m Butterfly	50m Butterfly				
Junior Boys	Baylin G	Callum L	Jarvis L	Archie R	
Girls	Sara H	Isabella C	Kiara B	Tiana P	
11 Years Boys	Jensen G	Lincoln V			
Girls	Alicia S	Samantha S			
12 Years Boys	Cooper G				
100m Freestyle			1		
Open Boys	Jensen G	Cooper G	Lincoln V	Baylin G	
Open Girls	Neve R	Alicia S	Hayley C	Zoe D	
Relays				1	
Junior Boys	Koala	Emu	Kangaroo	Wombat	
Junior Girls	Wombat	Koala	Kangaroo	Emu	
Senior Boys	Wombat	Kangaroo	Emu	Koala	
Senior Girls	Koala	Wombat	Kangaroo	Emu	
Overall House Places	Kangaroo	Koala	Emu	Wombat	
New Record for 2017					



SRE & SEE



Implementing Special Religious Education (SRE) & Special Education in Ethics (SEE) in NSW Government schools

Enrolment

At enrolment the school provides general information about SRE, SEE, and alternative meaningful activities.

The parent/caregiver has indicated a religious persuasion available on the enrolment form.

The parent/caregiver has left the religious persuasion blank or has written 'no religion' on the enrolment form. The parent/caregiver has indicated a religious persuasion not available on the enrolment form.

Student engages in nominated SRE program.

Principal to send letter to the parent/caregiver containing general information about how SRE, SEE and alternative meaningful activities are organised, as well as a SRE participation letter. The SRE participation letter outlines the options available for SRE including the option to withdraw.

The parent/caregiver returns letter nominating religious persuasion student engages in nominated SRE program.

If SEE is established and the parent/caregiver returns letter withdrawing from SRE principal to send letter to the parent/caregiver with information about SEE and the opportunity to enrol. Student engages in meaningful activities during SRE time pending SEE response.

If SEE is not established and the parent/caregiver returns letter withdrawing from SRE student engages in meaningful activities during SRE time. If a parent/caregiver requests SEE, the principal is to provide the name and contact details of Primary Ethics.

The parent/caregiver returns letter enrolling in SEE. Student engages in SEE program.

The parent/caregiver does not return letter. Student engages in meaningful activities during SRE time.

Please Note:

- Parents/caregivers may at any time notify the school in writing that they do not wish their child to attend SRE
- Students are to continue in the same arrangements each year, unless a parent/caregiver has requested a change Further information and resources available at: https://education.nsw.gov.au/curriculum/religion-and-ethics