

7th November 2018 Term 4 Week 4



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Public School



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KEERAWALL COMMUNITY OF SCHOOLS

Grandparent/Grandpal's Day

Many thanks to Mrs Sally Till and Mrs Kelly Lukic for their organisation of our Grandparent's Day. It was a great day with so many grandparents, grandpals and parents joining in.

Thanks to our teachers who showed off their students' many talents in the classrooms and assisted with serving at the cake stall and sausage sizzle. Thanks also to Teresa McKenzie and her band of merry parents who barbequed (Leo and Simon), baked and served all day. Thanks also to Cathy Lea and the SSG who baked cakes, served, set up the tables, chairs and games for the grandparents.



It was just the BEST day ever! (I loved my special card and sunflower plant to remember the day!)

Congratulations Avari D and Charlie L

Please vote for either of these two in the photo competition at the Berowra Village Shops. Winner will receive \$500 cash donation to their school and runner up will receive \$250 cash donation to their school. The winner and runner up also receives an iPad Air or an iPod touch.

Congratulations also to **Dean G** who competed in the 800m event at the NSW PSSA Athletics Carnival last week.

Kindergarten Orientation Program

The Kindergarten Orientation Program, Berowra Beginners, is drawing to a close and I sincerely thank teachers, buddies, parents and our new Kindergarten students for their successful contributions. The teachers and I have enjoyed meeting our 2019 students and never cease to be impressed by the confidence, joy and enthusiasm they all display. Tomorrow, 8th November, will be the final day of the program. Parents and 2019 students are invited to the school hall for our Kindergarten Orientation on Thursday, 22nd November at 10:00am.

Planning 2019

The 2019 planning process has now begun. Please let the school know as soon as possible if your child will be enrolling in a new school for next year (except Year 6). Likewise, if your child will be taking an extended summer vacation and returning to Berowra after 29th January 2019, you will need to complete an exemption form. These can be obtained from the office.

Presentation Day - WEDNESDAY, 12TH DECEMBER

3-6 Assembly 9:30am Morning Tea 11:30am K-2 Assembly 12:00pm

Presentation Day ceremonies incorporate both Presentation Day and the Celebration of Learning Assemblies, all children will be receiving awards; therefore we will not be issuing letters to major award recipient's parents. All parents are welcome at the assemblies and it would be lovely to see you at these assemblies as **every child will receive an award**. In addition, we would love you to join the teachers for morning tea in between the two ceremonies.

Morning Supervision

Morning Supervision commences at **8:50am**. Before this time teachers are busily preparing for their day – they could be in their classroom, staffroom or usually in one of the many meetings they have to attend weekly. The playground **is NOT supervised before 8:50am**. If for some unforeseen reason your child is at school prior to **8:50am** they should be at BOOSH.

Please do not leave your child at school prior to 8:50am as they will be unsupervised.

Late Arrivals and Early Departures

If for some urgent reason you need to collect your child/ren from school or are late getting to school please remember you must sign them in/out at the office.

You will need to sign them in or out by filling in a purple – Parent Authorisation Slip (PAS). This purple slip must also be delivered to the class teacher for their records.

School Uniform

Summer Winter

Purple polo shirt with school logo
Black shorts/skort

White ankle socks

Purple polo shirt with school logo
Black shorts/skort/trousers/jazz pants

White/black ankle socks (with trousers)

Black school shoes

Black polo fleece jacket

Wide brimmed school hat

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Wide brimmed school hat

Reminder:

Leggings are NOT part of the school uniform any day.

Grey socks are permitted until they wear out.

Please ensure if your child's hair is long enough to be tied back – it should be. (reaches their collar) No nail polish, bracelets or large earnings at school.

Di Bower

Principal

Attendance

Regular attendance combined with a positive attitude means... GOOD RESULTS Attend Everyday

Road Safety Education







Hillcrest Road can be a dangerous street to cross. A pedestrian crossing is a safe place to cross this busy street.

Always STOP, LOOK, LISTEN, THINK before crossing the road.

Are your details up to date?



Have you moved or changed phone numbers? Please inform the school office with any changes in your living situation so we can contact you if the need arises. We particularly need to keep phone numbers and email addresses up to date for emergencies. Your assistance is greatly appreciated.

Health and Safety is everyone's responsibility



No alcohol, illegal drugs or smoking are allowed on school grounds.

The consumption of alcohol is not permitted at any function organised by the school, the P&C or in the name of the school when children are present.

Visitors to our school

All visitors and volunteers to our school are required to sign in at the office when they arrive at the school prior to going to classrooms and sign out when they depart. Each time you volunteer you will be provided with a visitor's badge to wear to ensure students, staff and other visitors can easily identify everyone on the school site.

When volunteering for the first time you will be taken through a safety briefing. In the event of an emergency please follow instructions from school staff.

If there is something special on at school, including a special assembly, presentation or open classrooms, you will not be required to sign in. Parents and carers coming to the office to pick up students are not required to sign in or out themselves but are required to sign their child in or out and give a reason for partial absence.

If you are volunteering you must also complete the WWCC at the office.

Library News

Our children are being encouraged to borrow each week and to engage in a variety of fiction and non fiction books. The last couple of weeks we have been focusing on the genre of Scary Stories for the younger grades which the children have enjoyed. As we are coming up to our annual stocktake at the end of November, we are asking if everyone could please RETURN ALL OUTSTANDING BOOKS. We have many books still not returned from last term and the holidays! We would be grateful if they could be returned as soon as possible on the children's library days.

Monday 5P, 6G,1S, 3/4A Tuesday 5B, 4C, KR, KY, 2B, 2K

Wednesday 1L, 3R, 1T Thursday 6B, KB, 4/5K, 2P

Thank you all once again for supporting our school Book Club, so expertly run by Mrs Tammy Allen. There is only one more book club order for this term and it will be full of wonderful ideas for Christmas book presents! Remember that the the school receives bonus points for the dollars spent on book club orders and these are used to purchase much needed classroom and library resources.

Jennie Smith

Senior Drama

The senior drama students are busy rehearsing their end of year play "Fairy Tale Fun".

A huge Congratulations to the junior drama group for their wonderful performance in the State Drama Festival . Miss Lloyd wrote the script and the children performed amazingly well on their special night. We are all so proud of them.





Kindergarten Blue with Mrs Wilkinson working on their ipads and creating their Remembrance Day poppies on SeeSaw











Year 1 recounting the story 'Miranda's Umbrella on their ipads

Grandparents Day



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 from the BPS website using the 'Make a payment' tab.

Looking for lost notes? Click 'Our School' tab then 'Missed a Note?'

Upcoming events are under the 'Calendar'.



SAVE THE DATE TERM 4 DISCO FRIDAY 30th NOVEMBER

THEME: red and green

NOTES YOU MAY HAVE MISSED

Sent Out	Subject	Distribu- tion	Response before
21/2	School Contribution	K-6	ASAP
21/2	Classroom Resources	K-6	22/3 OVERDUE
9/5	Year 3 Gibberagong balance	Year 3	20/9 OVERDUE
25/7	Term 3 Gymnastics	Year 1	9/8 OVERDUE
19/9	PSSA Sport—League Tag, Cricket, Softball/T-ball	PSSA reps	27/9 OVERDUE
26/9	Term 4 Gymnastics	Kindy	25/10 OVERDUE

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

'Parent Online Payment' (POP) is the departments preferred payment method. Don't forget to send a permission form to the class teacher.

Class Awards Week 3 and 4

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KB	Brody J, Madelyn K
KR	Ashton M, Coco C, Olivia E
KY	Mikaila B, Jack W
18	Rocco D, Ethan K, Aurelia R, Roya M
1T	Sam L, Jack S, William C
2B	Minh T, Noah F, Matthew T, Ruby N
2K	Poppy C, Mia F
3R	Kenney T, Bailey W, Ruby S
4C	Otis H, Dominic H, Matthew A
4/5K	Finn L, Ryan T, Luke E
5P	Benjamin O, Indigo R, Kiara B

Uniform Shop Update

Please note that the Uniform Shop stock take is happening on the 17th Dec. Shopify orders received after 10am on the 17th will not be processed until 2019 when the school is open again.

Important Dates

15th Nov - Uniform shop open at 2-3pm for Kindy Starters, 3-3.45pm as usual

20th Nov - last day for Kindy 2019 preorders for collection at Orientation Day

22nd Nov - Orientation Day

29th Nov - Uniform shop open (3-3.45pm)

13th Dec - Uniform shop open (3-3.45pm)

17th Dec - last day for shopify orders (place orders before 10am)

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Steph

Upcoming Events		
Thurs 22 November	Kindy 2019 Orientation Day	
Fri 30 November	BPS Disco	
Mon 3 December	Year 6 Mini Fete	
Tues 4 December	Local High School Orientation Day for year 6	
Tues 11 December	K-2 Christmas Concert	
Wed 12 December	Presentation Day	
Fri 14 December	P&C Christmas Carols	
Tues 18 December	Year 6 Farewell	
Wed 19 December	BPS Wet 'n' Wild Day Last day of the school year	
Thur 20 & Fri 21 December	Staff Development Days	
Tues 29 January 2019	Staff return for Term 1 2019	
Wed 30 January	Years 1-6 return to school Kindy Best Start assessments begin	
Thurs 31 January	Kindy Best Start assessments	
Fri 1 February	Kindy Best Start assessments	
Mon 4 February	Kindy 2019 begin at school	

ENROL NOW FOR KINDERGARTEN 2019

If your child or you know of a child ready to start school next year make sure they are enrolled so we can include them in our plans for next year.

The Beginners Group commences in Term 4 along with the Orientation Day.

For more information contact the school office on 9456 1319.



New money collection procedures -



- BPS payment/permission envelopes with cash or cheque enclosed are not to go to the classroom teacher any longer.
- Gold coin donation for mufti days can still go to the classroom and will be collected by the organising group.
- All money envelopes and permission notes are to be 'posted' in the letterbox attached to the wall in the office foyer. This can be done by children or parents prior to school or during recess and lunch.
- Please DO NOT put canteen money in the box.
- Money collection days are still Tuesday and Thursday.
- The Department's preferred method of payment is Parent Online Payment (POP) accessed through the school website, by clicking on 'Make a Payment' tab.
- You can access POP any time, any day.



Summer PSSA Sport

Term 4 games start by 9.30am

Round 12 Friday 9/11/18

Cricket and T-Ball/Softball

Round 13 Friday 16/11/18

v Turramurra at Warrina St Oval Berowra Oval

...... Cricket t-Ball/Softball v Asquith at Mills Park

PSSA AFL

always at Foxglove Oval





Carers Support Group

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

Facilitator: Barbara Lewis / Mary Di Mattina Carer Support Service Northern Sydney Local Health District (NSLHD)

Ph: 9998 6185

Wednesday 14 November 2018 10.30am

Berowra Community Health Centre 123 Berowra Waters Rd, Berowra Heights

COST: Free.

Morning tea will be provided

RSVP: 9456 3344

Next Meeting Date:

TBA December

Northern Sydney Carer Support Service

NSW SCHORMENT A Transport

School Opal card applications for 2019 are now open

School student applications for 2019 open from Monday, 15 October 2018.

Students progressing to year 3 and year 7 do not need to re-apply if they:

- are continuing at the same school
- · are residing at the same address
- have not been sent an expiry notification from Transport for NSW.

Where a student meets the new distance eligibility, the system will automatically update their entitlement. If they do not meet the new eligibility, they will receive an expiry notification.

Students who have an entitlement approved under a medical condition which is due to expire will receive a notification advising them to re-apply.

Term Bus Pass holders will receive a notification to re-apply.

If students need to update their information or re-apply, they should go online to https://apps.transport.nsw.gov.au/ssts/updateDetails

Applications need to be submitted before 31 December 2018 to ensure student entitlements are updated and their current entitlement/card is not cancelled. If their application is submitted after 31 December 2018, the system will automatically cancel a card and a new one will need to be issued.

Students in the Opal network applying for a SSTS or Term Bus Pass entitlement for the first time will receive their card at their nominated postal address. Cards will be mailed out during December 2018 and January 2019.

Students residing in Rural and Regional (R&R) areas should receive their travel pass at the commencement of the new school year from their nominated operator. Note: some R&R operators do not issue travel passes. Students should check with their operator for more information.

Please see the attached information regarding printed school travel brochures.

If school administrators require access to the school portal to endorse student applications, please request an account at https://appln.transport.nsw.gov.au/portal/requests/account/school

For further information visit https://apps.transport.nsw.gov.au/ssts

Regards,

Transport for NSW



Featuring comedians from Sydney & Melbourne International Comedy Festival



Saturday 24 November 2018

Berowra RSL 997 Pacific Highway, Berowra

Email: events@berowralions.org.au



Tickets: \$35*at

comedyforacause.net/BLC

Doors: 7pm / Show: 8pm

(18+ only)

'plus Booking Fee

Finger food and drink available to purchase

GIVING BLOOD FEELS GOOD

Every donation can save three lives.

Mobile Blood Service visiting: Berowra Community Centre

The Gully Road, Berowra

Monday 05 Nov1:30pm - 6:30pm

Tuesday 06 Nov1:30pm - 6:30pm

Wednesday 07 Nov 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 breakfast or lunch <u>Please bring photo I.D.</u> with you

To make an appointment call 13 14 95 or visit donateblood.com.au





BEROWRA CRICKET CLUB REGISTRATION NOW OPEN! Junior Blast (5-8yrs) | Juniors (U8-U16)

All ages. All abilities. All inclusive! Be part of the family club.

Online registration: www.berowracricket.org

Enquiries: bccjuniorenquiries@gmail.com



Live Life Well @ School

TERM 4 2018 Newsletter Snippets Instructions

Please see below a suggested bi-weekly newsletter topic schedule that may assist you in planning your Term 4 school newsletters.

The newsletter snippets are easy to copy and paste and provide information to families on healthy eating, physical activity and limiting screen time.

TERM 4	NEWSLETTER TOPIC	
Week 2	Plastic Free Healthy Lunchbox	
Week 4	Healthy School Celebrations	
Week 6	Make Your Move	
Week 8	Fruit, Vegetable and Water Break	
Week 10	Stay Safe Online	
Extra	Active Travel	
Extra	Healthy School Canteens	

Thanks! From the Northern Sydney LLW@S team J





School Rewards
Shop 1082, Westfield
Shoppingtown (02) 9477 775:

Junior \$1099





Berowra Christian School

ART EXHIBITION 2018

and

Berowra Archies inter-school Portrait Competition

28th & 29th November

open 9 - 4pm both days, & Wednesday evening 6 - 9pm Official opening 7pm 28.11.18 Cnr King St & Berowra Waters Rd, Berowra

For information: enquiries@bccs.nsw.edu.au / 94562444



SUMMER READING CLUB LAUNCH

Followed by *The Gigalees* and their Crazy Comedy Show!

Give your children incentive to read over the holidays and the opportunity to win great prizes by signing them up for the Summer Reading Club. A child's library card is essential to join the Club and attend the show.

Club Registration with child's library card will open from 4:30pm.

Come early so you don't miss our great show.

Hornsby Library

Thursday 6 December, Ages: 0-14 year olds

Registration: 4.30pm

Show: 5.30pm

Cost: Free for all Summer Reading Club members.

No bookings required.

GINGERBREAD HOUSE MAKING WORKSHOP

Bring the whole family and be guided in making a wonderful Gingerbread House for the Christmas table. The cost includes all the materials needed such as house, icing, lollies, silver foil, board and cellophane for wrapping. Great Christmas fun for the whole family.

Hornsby Library

Wednesday 5 December, 6.30pm-8pm

Pennant Hills Community Centre

Saturday 8 December, 2.30pm-4pm

Cost: \$35.00 per family.

Children 7 and under must be accompanied by an adult.Bookings essential. Book online at **hornsby.nsw.qov.au/library**

SANTA CLAUS SUPERSTAR CHRISTMAS PANTOMIME

Santa Claus Superstar is a delightful comedy which will thrill its young audiences.

Now that Santa has a magic cape he can make all of the toys by himself. Poor old Rudolf and the elves have their world turned upside down — they're out of a job! The scheming Daredevil Dan and Grumpy Gran plot to steal the cape, and its high adventure with the children involved every step of the way. Featuring the gorgeous *Music Box Dancer*, the *Jolly Green Christmas Tree*, *Drummer Boy, Jack in the Box, Harlequin*, and many more surprises.

Hornsby Library **Tuesday 18 December, 11.30am**

Berowra Community Centre Friday 21 December, 10.30am Pennant Hills Community Centre Thursday 20 December, 10.30am

Ages: 2-7 year olds. Parents and children under 2 years accompanying a paying sibling do not require payment. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Cost: \$8.00 per child

FEATURE CREATURES - BEPTILE SHOWS

Be fascinated by this interactive and educational wildlife event where you will be able to get close to frogs, snakes and crocodiles.

Hornsby Library

Tuesday 15 January, 10.30am-11.30am

Pennant Hills Learning & Leisure Centre **Wednesday 16 January, 10.30am-11.30am**

Ages: 5-12 year olds Cost: \$10.00 per child

Berowra Community Centre Thursday 17 January, 10.30am-11.30am





Berowra Public School Music Program

The School Music Program at Berowra PS includes a *Training Band, Concert Band, Recorder Ensembles, and String Ensemble*. As part of the *BPS Music Program*, the above groups are **extra-curricular activities** organised by the *P&C Music Committee*, and supported by *Berowra Public School*.

The program for the *Training Band, Concert Band, and String Ensemble* gives students the opportunity to play a musical instrument together in an ensemble. The program for the Bands and Strings does not provide 1 on 1 music lessons but an avenue for students to play in an ensemble with their peers.

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 *Bands* or *String Ensemble* 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 their 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.

Students who wish to learn Recorder learn to play and read music in a group setting. See below for further information.

Instrument Practice - Parents involvement in the musical experience is essential for children to develop their skills. A young child's musical development is like starting to learn to read and write, a little practice each day helps to improve your child's skill development. Your teacher will be able to give you some methods to help your child practice each week and enjoy their newfound skills.

Private Lesson Costs

The cost of instrument tuition can vary and largely depends on a tutor's experience. You can expect \$30-\$40 for a private lesson. Group lessons are approx. \$16-\$20

ENSEMBLES AT BEROWRA PUBLIC SCHOOL

The Band Program caters for students in Years 3–6. Beginner students start in the Training Band and progress to Concert Band as their skill develops. Students are not taught how to play their particular instrument at Band rehearsal but are encouraged to build on what they have learnt in their lesson times and learn to play as a team. Students are given opportunities to perform throughout the year and at events such as Easter Hat Parade, Kindy Orientation, Presentation Day, MADD Night, Berowra Music Fest, Berowra Woodchop, School Fairs and Competitions

String Program caters for students from all K-6 providing the student is having a private instrumental lesson. Students are not taught how to play their particular instrument at String Ensemble rehearsals but are encouraged to build on what they have learnt in their lesson times and learn to play as a team. Students are given opportunities to perform throughout the year and at events such as Opera House Concerts, Hornsby District Music Festival and various school events

Recorder Ensembles are offered to students from Year 1-6. *Recorder is taught to students in a group setting.* Students learn how to read music, how to play the recorder and are given opportunities to perform throughout the year and at events such as Opera House Concerts, Hornsby District Music Festival and various school events. Recorder Lessons are divided into 2 groups. Junior Ensemble (Beginners and 1st year players) Festival Ensemble is made up of students who have been playing for 2 years or more and are at an advanced level.

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. 2018 band fees are outlined below as a guide.

Fees are paid each Semester (Term 1 & Term 3)

Concert Band - \$200 per Semester
Training Band - \$200 per Semester
String Ensemble - \$220 per Semester
Junior Recorder - \$120 per Semester
Festival Recorder - \$150 per Semester

Other Costs

Music Shirts - \$18 new (for Band and Festival Recorder Ensemble)

- \$10 second hand

Admin Fee - \$15 per Semester (\$30 per year) this fee is per family and only applicable once. Students may

play in more than one group.

Instrument Hire - \$100 per Semester

This extra fee is to help run our music program, employ our tutors, enter festivals and competitions, purchase music and equipment we require a fee to help keep the Music Program ticking over.

Rehearsals

Friday	8:00am - 9:00am
Tuesday	8:00am - 9:00am
Tuesday	8:45am - 9:15am
Friday	8:00am - 9:00am
Thursday	8:00am – 9:00am
	Tuesday Tuesday Friday

Commitment to Music Groups - Joining the Music Program at Berowra is an important commitment and at times will take hard work and practice, but the rewards are worth the effort. We ask that once a student has committed to Band, Strings, or Recorder that they stick it out for 1 Semester. If a student does not wish to continue we are unable to refund fees mid Semester. If you wish to discontinue a full Semester notice needs to be given by email to the bpsband@hotmail.com. You will be liable for fees until the end of that Semester. (i.e Term 2 or Term 4) Instrument Hire will also discontinue at the end of the Semester and is not able to be refunded mid Semester. On discontinuation hired instruments need to be returned to the Instrument Co-Ordinator and marked off.

If you wish to join one of our Bands or hire an instrument in 2019 a \$50 deposit is required to secure your spot and/or reserve your instrument. This deposit will then be deducted from your first invoice in Semester 1.

For further info please contact the BPS Music Committee bpsband@hotmail.com



Office Use Only

Date Received

Instrument Allocated

Instrument Number

BAND PROGRAM ENROLMENT 2019

Please Enrol by Dec 3rd 2018

STUDENT'S LAST NAME		CLASS	
STUDENT'S FIRST NAME Date of Bir		Date of Birth _	
Parent /Caregiver Contact Nan	ne		
Mailing Address:			
Home No:	Mobile No:		
Email:			
INSTRUMENT CHOICE:	1 ST CHOICE		
	2 ND CHOICE		
	3 RD CHOICE		
		YES / NO	
ADDITIONAL COMMENTS			
I have made a PAYMENT OF \$ Account Name – BPS Band Acc BSB: 633000 Account No: 137234522	count		
Please pay via direct deposit bpsband@hotmail.com to let us	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	,	Band and email
I would like further information	n before committing to the	Band Program	YES/NO
Parent Signature			

PARENT SUPPORT

The Band Program is an extra-curricular activity run by volunteer parents. Our Band Program relies on the support of parents to help it run efficiently. Your help will be greatly appreciated and it's a fun way to meet others!

Parental assistance is needed to assist with rehearsal supervision, transporting equipment to performances, fund-raising, instrumental hire co-ordination, treasury, uniform co-ordination.

Fund-raising is an integral part of the program and raises much-needed funds for the purchase of new instruments, etc.

Some ways in which you can help the Band Program are by attending committee meetings, supporting fund-raising initiatives, assisting with rehearsal, transporting equipment etc.

Please fill in and sign the form below to indicate or suggest where you may be able to assist. Thank You
Child's Name:
Parents' Name/s:
Email:
Ways I can best assist: (please circle)
 Committee member Rehearsal supervision Fund-raising Other(please specify)
Signed: Date: