

6th June, 2018 Term 2 Week 6



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Audit

Last week we were audited and we need to 'tighten' up some of our processes.

- Attendance we need to work together to promote the regular attendance of all students.
 Parents need to communicate within 24 hours to the school/teacher if their child has been
 absent either by email, phone call, letter or verbal confirmation. Teachers need to contact
 parents if this does not occur. Otherwise after 7 days it will become an 'unjustified' absence.
- Arrival on time Arriving at school and class on time ensures that students don't miss out on
 the important learning activities scheduled early in the day, helps students learn the importance
 of punctuality and routine, gives students time to greet their friends before class and therefore
 reduces the opportunity for classroom disruption. All late arrivals and early departures must
 sign in and out in the office.
- Consistent absences from school, partial and whole day, may attract the attention of the Home School Liaison Officer and be chased up by the school. Please assist us in ensuring your child's regular attendance at school and communicating when they are absent. For further information please visit:

https://education.nsw.gov.au/policy-library/policies/school-attendance-policy https://education.nsw.gov.au/wellbeing-and-learning/media/documents/attendance-behaviourengagement/attendance/attendance parents.pdf

- ASCIA, Asthma Action and Health Care Plans these must be kept up to date and the school must be informed of any changes to your child's medication or treatment. EpiPens and any other medications prescribed to your child must be kept up to date as well.
- **Prescribed Medication** Any child, who carries their own prescription medication, must have a parent consent form signed and filed at the office.
- Parent Volunteers must sign into the school at the office when in attendance at the school. Volunteers need to also complete an Department of Education (Appendix 5) 'Declaration for volunteers and non child related contractors' form and present 100 point identification to be copied by the office or Justice of the Peace to ensure the original has been sighted.

Zone Cross Country

Congratulations to our 47 cross county competitors on Monday. There were many personal bests and many photos of happy smiling faces.

Congratulations to – Dean G, Anna P, Annabelle H, Jacob W and Jake Da S who will compete in the Sydney North Cross Country.

Congratulations also to the 10 year boys and 11 year boys – Age Champions!

Relieving Principal

Mrs Elizabeth Beckedahl will be relieving principal for the next two weeks as I will be on Long Service Leave. Mr David Johnson will continue teaching 6B for those two weeks.

National Volunteer Week (last week)

National Volunteer Week acknowledges the contribution of volunteers and the support they provide in different communities. Thank you to all who volunteer their time to support school programs, initiatives and services provided by our school. Your assistance and support is greatly appreciated. I would like to recognise **Chris Chu** – Chris has just stepped down from her many volunteer roles in the school. Chris has worked tirelessly for Berowra Public School for many years. Nothing was ever too much for her and went about all her tasks with a huge contagious smile for everyone.

Chris you will be a 'hard act' to follow but we wish you every happiness with your family and give you a huge thank you for all you have done for BPS.

Reports

Semester 1 reports will be sent home with your child in Week 10 of this term. Parent teacher interviews will be in Week 2, Term 3.

Di Bower

Principal



Bike Racks

Recently the bike racks have been moved to their final resting place.

As you may have noticed BOOSH has been preparing the brick wall at the end of K Yellow's classroom for a mural with targets. Hence the move!

They are now situated at the back of the canteen. This allows for a quick entry and exit through the gate, teacher supervision in the afternoon, as well as being in easy view of the office during the day.

Whilst securing your bike is optional please remember that it is the responsibility of the bike owner for the safe storage of their bike or scooter therefore a bike chain might be a consideration.

Remember, don't ride your bike/scooter within school grounds. Please dismount at the gates.

DON'T FORGET YOUR HELMET

Messages to students

Please only call the office in the case of an emergency as the office can only disturb and disrupt class lessons and teachers to forward urgent messages or messages that would effect your child's safety.

Please do not call the office to forward messages to your children unless it is urgent.

FAIR MUFTI DAY TUESDAY 19TH JUNE

GOLD COIN DONATION OR UNWANTED GIFTS
TO USE ON THE CHOCOLATE WHEEL(MUST BE NEW)
THEME IS PYJAMAS

* Please note that all students must have their shoulders covered as well as their midriff, enclosed shoes must be worn and hair tied up.



Don't forget your raincoast on those rainy days.



INTERSCHOOL SPORT

Round 8
Friday 8th June

Games start by 12:45

Round 9
Friday 15th June

PSSA Football and Netball

v Waitara
at

James Park Hornsby Girls HS

Football Netball

v Wahroonga at Nth Turramurra RA

Wahroonga PS

PSSA AFL always at Foxglove Oval



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Are you looking for inspiration in the kitchen?





The "Berowra Public School Recipe Book" is for you!!

The A5 size Recipe Book, featuring 100's of Recipes (incl Vegetarian, Food Allergy, Everyday meals, Snacks, Sweets & lots more) will be professionally printed & ring bound for ease of use when cooking.

School Support Group are now accepting Recipes!

(Preferably in the format emailed out from the school or as per the doc. on the BPS FB page).

Please email enquiries, Recipes &/or drawings along with your Childs/Family Name & Class to ... ssgrecipebook@gmail.com

School Support Group accept that every Recipe is submitted in good faith and that no copyright has been unwittingly breached.

NOTES YOU MAY HAVE MISSED			
Sent Out	Subject	Distribution	Response before
21/2	School Contribution	K-6	ASAP
21/2	Classroom Resources	K-6	22/3 OVERDUE
9/3	Arts Alive Choral Concert	Opera House Choir	10/5 OVERDUE
15/3	Dance Group Fees	Dance groups	3/5 OVERDUE
21/3	Term 2 Gymnastics	Year 2	24/5 OVERDUE
28/3	Lake Burrendong Camp deposit	Stage 3	12/4 OVERDUE
4/4	Term 2 sport (PSSA & school sport)	Yrs 3-6	8/5 OVERDUE
4/4	Drama permission	Drama groups	14/6
9/5	Year 3 Gibberagong deposit	Year 3	9/5 OVERDUE
9/5	Year 4 Broken Bay deposit	Year 4	9/5 OVERDUE
5/6	Dance Festival	Dance group	-
6/6	Athletics Carnival	K-6	21/6
6/6	BPS Disco	K-6	15/6

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.

Permission Envelopes and Slips

Please remember that teachers need parental permission for your child to participate in excursions, incursions, sport and other school activities. Unfortunately, payment is not proof of permission.

A signed **PERMISSION ENVELOPE** is sufficient if paying by cash **or** cheque and a signed **PERMISSION SLIP** if paying through Parent Online Payment (POP).

MOBILE PHONES AT SCHOOL

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

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

Week 4 & 5 Term 2

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KR	Dilan H, Olivia E, Asher T, Lincoln G, Evie M-M, Sophie C, August S
KY	Anaya A
1L	Ewan H, Riley U
18	Mason J, Tristan L
1T	Benjamin C, Sam L, Skye B
2B	Naomi H, Callum H
2K	Benjamin F, Ashleigh J
3R	Isobel F, Anouk D, Rayirth A
3/4A	Callum L, Harry A, Skye T
4C	Matt S, Jonathan C, Caleb F
5B	Kate W, Gabriel F, Chloe C, Harry M, Emily C
5P	Jade W, Sarah P

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'.



ANGLICARE WINTER PANTRY DRIVE

17 JUNE - 22 JULY

We're collecting items that will be passed onto Anglicare who will distribute them to those in need.

We're hoping for donations of:

- canned food (salmon, tuna, corn, chunky soups)
- · pasta & pasta sauces
- cereal
- · long life milk
- toothpaste & toothbrushes
- Soaps & deodorants
- Women & baby needs

Please bring to the school office

St Marks Anglican Church 18 Berowra Waters Road Berowra

Upcoming Events		
Thurs 7 June	Kindy Tiny Tunnels program Drama Festival audition	
Mon 11 June	Queens Birthday public holiday	
Tues 13 June	Spelling competition 7.50am	
Wed 14 June	Writing competition 7.50am Choir rehearsal at BPS	
Fri 15 June	BPS Disco—spots and stripes	
Sun 17 June	Festival of Instrumental Music performance	
Tues 19 June	Fair mufti day - PJs End of term dance performance—KR, KB, 5B, 5P at 2.45	
Thurs 21 June	Opera House Choir rehearsal at Kuring-gai HS	
Fri 22 June	Area Cross Country	
Wed 27 June	Dance Festival daytime rehearsal and performance 5pm	
Thurs 28 June	BPS Athletics Carnival	
Tues 3 July	Dance Festival performance 7.30pm	
Thurs 5 July	Dance Festival performance 11.30am	
Fri 6 July	Last day of Term 2	
Mon 23 July	Staff return to school	
Tues 24 July	All students return for Term 3	
Mon 30—Tues 31-	Parent / Teacher interviews	
Tues 31 July	English competition 7.50am	
Thurs 2 August	Fair mufti day	
Tues 7 August	Open Day, Book Fair and NAIDOC celebrations	
Mon 13 August	Choir rehearsal at BPS	
Tues 14 August	Maths competition 7.50am Student Parliament mufti day	
Tues 21 August	Book Character Parade and Book Trivia Quiz Year 5 lunchtime BBQ Fundraiser	
Thurs 23 August	Kindy Teddy Bears Picnic excursion	
Tues 28 August	Father's Day Stall	
Fri 31 August	Father's Day Breakfast Zone Athletics Carnival	
Sun 2 September	Father's Day	
Mon 3—Fri 7 September	Stage 3 Lake Burrendong camp	
Mon 10 September	Choir rehearsal at Hornsby North PS	
Tues 11 September	Fair mufti day	
Mon 17 September	Area Athletics carnival	
Mon 17-Wed 19 September	Year 4 Broken Bay camp	
Thurs 20 September	Arts Alive Choir performance at The Opera House	
Wed 26 September	Interrelate Yr 3-4 6pm, Yr 5-6 7.15pm	
Thurs 20 September	End of term dance performance at 2.45	
Fri 28 September	Last day of Term 3	
Sun 7 October	Daylight Saving begins at 2am	
Sunday 14 October	Berowra Public School Fair Day	
Mon 15 October	Staff and students return to school for Term 4	



<u>Carers Support</u> <u>Group</u>

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 13 June 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: 11th July 2018

Northern Sydney Carer Support Service



Health Promotion Day

Cancer Awareness

5 Most Common Cancers

<u>Date</u>: 14th June 2018

Time: 11:00am

Location: Berowra Community Health Centre

Address: 123 Berowra Waters Rd, Berowra Heights

Ph.: 9456 3344

Cost: Free

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Bookings Essential



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Compulsory School Attendance

Information for parents

Education for your child is important and regular attendance at school is essential for your child to achieve their educational best and increase their career and life options. NSW public schools work in partnership with parents to encourage and support regular attendance of children and young people. When your child attends school every day, learning becomes easier and your child will build and maintain friendships with other children.

What are my legal responsibilities?

Education in New South Wales is compulsory for all children between the ages of six years and below the minimum school leaving age. The *Education Act 1990* requires that parents ensure their children of compulsory school age are enrolled at, and regularly attend school, or, are registered with the Board of Studies, Teaching and Educational Standards for homeschooling.

Once enrolled, children are required to attend school each day it is open for students.

The importance of arriving on time

Arriving at school and class on time:

- Ensures that students do not miss out on important learning activities scheduled early in the day
- Helps students learn the importance of punctuality and routine
- Give students time to greet their friends before class
- Reduces classroom disruption

Lateness is recorded as a partial absence and must be explained by parents.

What if my child has to be away from school?

On occasion, your child may need to be absent from school. Justified reasons for student absences may include:

- being sick, or having an infectious disease
- having an unavoidable medical appointment
- being required to attend a recognised religious holiday
- exceptional or urgent family circumstance (e.g. attending a funeral)

Following an absence from school you must ensure that within 7 days you provide your child's school with a verbal or written explanation for the absence. However, if the school has not received an explanation from you within 2 days, the school may contact you to discuss the absence.

Principals may decline to accept an explanation that you have provided if they do not believe the absence is in the best interest of your child. In these circumstances your child's absence would be recorded as unjustified. When this happens the principal will discuss their decision with you and the reasons why.

Principals may request medical certificates or other documentation when frequent or long term absences are explained as being due to illness. Principals may also seek parental permission to speak with medical specialists to obtain information to collaboratively develop a health care plan to support your child. If the request is denied, the principal can record the absences as unjustified.

Travel

Families are encouraged to travel during school holidays. If travel during school term is necessary, discuss this with your child's school principal. An *Application for Extended Leave* may need to be completed. Absences relating to travel will be marked as leave on the roll and therefore contribute to your child's total absences for the year.

In some circumstances students may be eligible to enrol in distance education for travel periods over 50 school days. This should be discussed with your child's school principal.



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My child won't go to school. What should I do?

You should contact the principal as soon as possible to discuss the issue and ask for help. Strategies to help improve attendance may include a referral to the school's learning and support team or linking your child with appropriate support networks. The principal may seek further support from the Home School Liaison Program to develop an Attendance Improvement Plan.

What might happen if my child continues to have unacceptable absences?

It is important to understand that the Department of Education and Communities may be required to take further action where children of compulsory school age have recurring numbers of unexplained or unjustified absences from school.

Some of the following actions may be undertaken:

 Compulsory Schooling Conferences

You may be asked, along with your child, to attend a Compulsory Schooling Conference. The conference will help to identify the supports your child may need to have in place so they attend school regularly. The school, parents and agencies will work together to develop an agreed plan (known as Undertakings) to support your child's attendance at school.

Application to the Children's Court

 Compulsory Schooling Order

If your child's attendance at school remains unsatisfactory the Department

may apply to the Children's Court for a Compulsory Schooling Order. The Children's Court magistrate may order a Compulsory Schooling Conference to be convened.

Prosecution in the Local Court

School and Department staff remain committed to working in partnership with you to address the issues which are preventing your child's full participation at school. In circumstances where a breach of compulsory schooling orders occurs further action may be taken against a parent in the Local Court. The result of court action can be the imposition of a community service order or a fine.

What age can my child leave school?

All New South Wales students must complete Year 10 or its equivalent. After Year 10, and up until they reach 17 years of age, there are a range of flexible options for students to complete their schooling.

Working in Partnership

The Department of Education and Communities recognises that working collaboratively with students and their families is the best way to support the regular attendance of students at school.

We look forward to working in partnership with you to support your child to fulfil their life opportunities.

If a student misses as little as 8 days in a school term, by the end of primary school they'll have missed over a year of school.

Further information regarding school attendance can be obtained from the following websites:

Policy, information and brochures:

Please visit the Department of Education's *Policy library*

The school leaving age:

Please visit the Department of Education's *Wellbeing and Learning* website

Do you need an interpreter?

Interpreting services are available on request, including for the hearing impaired. The Telephone Interpreter Service is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week on 131 450. You will not be charged for this service.

For further advice and questions contact your educational services team

T 131 536

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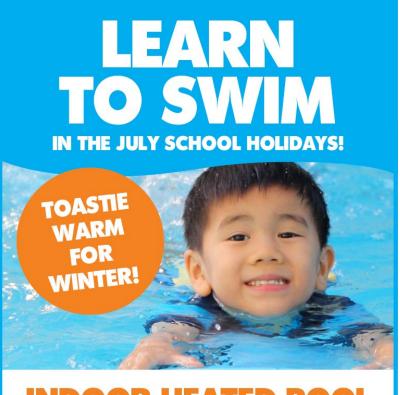
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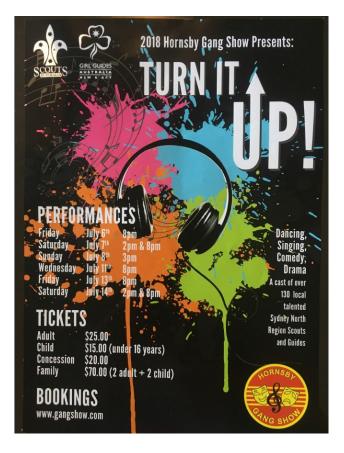
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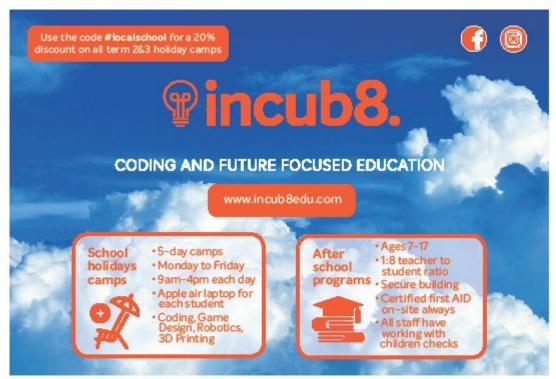
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Does your child require medication during the school day?

If your child needs to take any prescribed medication during school time, the office can administer it for you.

The medication <u>must</u> be handed into the office in the morning together with a completed 'Medication Request Form'. This form can be located on our website under 'Our School' tab then 'Missed a Note?' or completed at the office.

Only prescribed medication in original packaging can be accepted or over the counter medication with a doctor's note.

Please <u>do not give medication to children to self administer</u> during the day for their safety and the safety of other children.

The only exception is Ventolin for asthma and a 'Request for student to carry medication' form *must* be completed.

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