

# The Crest

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Community



Term 3 Week 9 18th September 2019

## Berowra Public School Newsletter

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### IMPORTANT DATES

- Stg 3 Canberra excursion
- Dance assembly
- 125th Anniversary assembly

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

This week the Stage 3 team are heading to Canberra and the snow. What a wonderful experience for the students. A big thank you to all the teachers who are attending. This is a busy few days away. We look forward to sharing some photos next week!

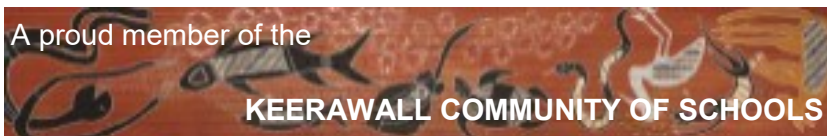
### Formative Assessment

Over the last few weeks I have been sharing the way teachers assess students. Assessment is minute by minute and not always at the end of a unit of learning. It is important for teachers to know where the students are at and where to make changes in their teaching to differentiate for all students.

There is still a place for "testing" if formative decision are made about the results. The graphic below is a wonderful synthesis of formative assessment.

	Where the learner is going	Where the learner is	How to get there
Teacher	Clarifying, sharing and understanding learning intentions	Engineering effective discussions, tasks, and activities that elicit evidence of learning	Providing feedback that moves learners forward
Peer		Activating students as learning resources for one another	
Learner		Activating students as owners of their own learning	

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## **Making use of results from national testing**

We look first at the skills, knowledge and understanding that the individual test items purport to be testing, and then examine the statistical data which summarises student performance. Identified trends in performance - for example, evidence that a significant number of students experience difficulty making inferences - can be used in a formative way to determine future teaching.

## **Making formative use of classroom tests**

How much formative use can be made of a written test depends on the quality of the test design. Where a test makes a number of different and escalating cognitive demands of students, the information thus gained about student skills, knowledge and understanding will be more sophisticated.

## **Preparing for a test by using Traffic Lights**

In this strategy teachers provide students with a list of the skills, knowledge and understandings the test will focus on, and students work through the list, identifying each aspect as follows:

'I can explain this aspect to someone else.' (green light)

'I think I understand this aspect but I'd have difficulty explaining it to someone else.' (amber light)

'I don't understand this aspect.' (red light)

The resulting record gives students a focus for their revision.

## **Writing the questions – or even the whole test**

- Asking students to design an appropriate question provides them and the teacher with an opportunity to evaluate their understanding of the skills, knowledge and understanding that are involved.
- Designing the entire test (within provided guidelines which indicate the number and variety of question types) involves more learning than simply responding to a teacher-generated test.

## **After the test**

After the test, there are many opportunities for a formative approach.

Instead of simply handing back the marked tests to students and then going through the test to explain the required answers, teachers can use strategies which encourage further reinforcement and learning.

Have a great week.



Chantal Mamo  
BTeach BEd MA Creative Arts

## 125 Years at Berowra Public School

Please email any old Berowra Public School photos to [125yearsbps@gmail.com](mailto:125yearsbps@gmail.com) with a short description. We will use these photos for a presentation.

*Please join us in celebrating the*

**Berowra**  
Public School

*125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary*  
*September 24<sup>th</sup> 2019*

All students and parents, past and present are welcome to attend from 10am for:

- A special assembly with guest speakers
- Unveiling of our new mural
- An historical photo presentation
- A mini museum
- Live performances
- Morning tea
- Sharing memories
- Time Capsule



PLEASE JOIN WITH US AND CELEBRATE

**PAST, PRESENT AND FUTURE**



We have a range of activities planned including:

- \* Year 7 Showcase
- \* Annual Art Exhibition
- \* Archive Display
- \* School Tours
- \* Student Performance
- \* Interactive Classrooms & Student Displays
- \* Market Stalls
- \* Rides

For more information throughout the year follow us on our facebook page and/or our website

11.00am - 3.00pm

**SUNDAY 17 NOV 2019**





# FOOTY FEVER

## MUFTI DAY

- When:** Friday 27th September
- What:** Wear your favourite team jersey with your Berowra Sport uniform (league, soccer, AFL, union, netball etc.)
- Donate:** \$2.00
- Support:** Get ready for a weekend of sport finals. All money raised will go towards supporting the Year 6 farewell.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

<b>Mon 16—Wed 18 Sept</b>	Stage 3 Canberra Camp
<b>Thurs 19 September</b>	Uniform Shop open 3-3.45pm
<b>Tues 24 September</b>	125th Anniversary Assemble from 10am
<b>Fri 27 September</b>	Footy Fever Mufti Day Last day of <b>Term 3</b>
<b>Mon 14 October</b>	All students and staff return to school for <b>Term 4</b>
<b>Wed 16—Fri 18 Oct</b>	Stage 2 Broken Bay camp
<b>Wed 16 October</b>	Area Athletics Carnival
<b>Thurs 17 October</b>	Uniform Shop open 3-3.45pm
<b>Tues 22 October</b>	Teacher's Day
<b>Thurs 24 October</b>	KY & KP Teddy Bears picnic
<b>Mon 28-Tues 29 October</b>	Stage 2 Gibberagong incursion
<b>Thurs 31 October</b>	Grandparents Day Uniform Shop open 3-3.45pm
<b>Fri 1 November</b>	Kindergarten 2020 transition Part 1
<b>Fri 8 November</b>	Kindergarten 2020 transition Part 2
<b>Thurs 14 November</b>	Uniform Shop open 3-3.45pm
<b>Fri 15 November</b>	Kindergarten 2020 transition Part 3
<b>Mon 18 November</b>	Stage 2 History presentation incursion
<b>Fri 22 November</b>	BPS Disco—red and green
<b>Thurs 28 November</b>	MaDD Night 7pm Uniform Shop open 3-3.45pm
<b>Tues 3 December</b>	High School 2020 Orientation Day for Year 6 students
<b>Tues 10 December</b>	Stage 3 Surf Lifesaving excursion
<b>Wed 11 December</b>	Presentation Day
<b>Thurs 12 December</b>	Year 6 Farewell dinner
<b>Wed 18 December</b>	Last day of Term for 2019

# Adventures in 1/2P

Thank you 1/2P for sharing your writing and learning adventures.

First there were men  
working on the windows  
and it was too loud  
so we went outside, and  
we did Spelling.



Then we had  
lunch and sip  
and me and  
Steph became  
best friends. Also  
a naughty  
magpie flew in and interrupted  
our learning. ~~and our learning~~

First we wanted  
to learn in our class  
but we could not  
so we did spelling  
outside and we saw  
magpie



After that  
we had lunch  
and sip.

After that some car  
constables came and talked  
about why its important  
to learn literacy. they also  
told us about there special  
equipment.



Next  
we saw  
bunnys  
but I only  
got to  
see one bunnys ear. Finally  
we went for a run and  
me and Steph wanted to  
do a third lap.



Then We met  
two Police. They  
wanted to say hi  
and we asked them  
questions then they  
tashed off we also  
heard their sirens.



Finally

we saw  
cute  
rabbits  
they  
were sleeping and  
they were bunched  
up they were so  
cute.



## **NOTES YOU MAY HAVE MISSED**

Sent Out	Subject	Distribution	Response before
13/2	School Contribution	K-6	<b>ASAP</b>
13/3	Classroom Resources	K-6	<b>29/3 OVERDUE</b>
1/5	Stage 2 Broken Bay excursion Full payment required	Yrs 3 & 4	<b>12/9 OVERDUE</b>
3/6	Stage 3 Canberra excursion Full payment required	Yrs 5 & 6	<b>OVERDUE 5/9</b>
31/7	Zone Athletics (backup date) Payment due	Zone reps	<b>6/9 22/8 OVERDUE</b>
31/7	Term 3 Gymnastics	Kindy	<b>15/8/19 OVERDUE</b>
4/9	Summer Tennis	Yrs 3-6	<b>26/9</b>
4/9	125th Anniversary sausage sizzle	K-6	<b>17/9</b>
4/9	Stage 2 Broken Bay camp Medical and what to pack	Yrs 3&4	<b>25/9</b>
4/9	KY & KP Teddy Bears Picnic (backup date)	KY & KP	<b>27/9</b>

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

# **Community Events**

## **HORNSBY GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL**



Hornsby Girls High School would like to invite Year 5 students  
and their Parents/Caregivers to our

**Open Day on Wednesday 16 October 9am – 11am**

The morning activities include the Principal's address, tours of the school, performances  
by the school band and information regarding extra-curricular programs.

Hornsby Girls High School is a Selective High School.

Enrolment enquiries should be directed to the Selective Schools Unit:

<https://education.nsw.gov.au/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes>



Hornsby Girls High School

Edgeworth David Avenue, Hornsby

02 9476 5711

Hornsby Shire Council are pleased to support the great work of Streetwork, a local charity helping young people who may be at risk.

Streetwork are currently hosting **free BBQs** every **Tuesday afternoon from 3pm-5pm at Berowra Skate Park**. Please see their event details below:

*The team at StreetWork are providing a free BBQ for teenagers each Tuesday during the school term at the Berowra Skate Park. The initiative is an attempt to promote local youth services in the area and possibly enrol in StreetWork's mentoring program assisting kids to stay in school, and to access mental health, drug counselling, legal and accommodation supports.*

*Drop by to say hello and get yourself a free sausage sandwich or a cup of noodles in wet weather.*

*For more information check them out on Instagram at [streetworkaus](#) or call Tom on 0473 578 273.*

Streetwork will be there for the remainder of Term 3: Tuesday 17 September and Tuesday 24 September. We are hopeful that the service will also be available in Term 4 – more details to come.

Kind regards,

**Sue Downing**

**Community Development Officer | Library & Community Services | Hornsby Shire Council**



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## School Holiday Activities

Free activities for primary school students at **The Reserve Bank Museum**


Students will receive an interactive presentation on banknote security features and get a sneak peek at the new uncirculated \$20 banknote. They will also be taken on a guided journey through the Museum and learn about the history of Australia.

**Cost:**  
Free (Registration essential)

**Booking Information:**

- Expressions of interest are now open for the Spring school holiday period.
- For further information, session times, and to register your child please visit the Museum website.
- Registrations will close on 20th September at 5:00 pm.

[museum.rba.gov.au](https://museum.rba.gov.au)  
[museum@rba.gov.au](mailto:museum@rba.gov.au)  
(02) 9551 9743  
Ground Floor, 65 Martin Place, Sydney NSW 2000

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## SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

# OCTOBER EVENTS



### HOLIDAY STORYTIME

Join us for stories, songs, craft and refreshments.

#### Pennant Hills Library

Wednesday 2 October, 10am-11am

#### Hornsby Library

Thursday 3 October, 10am-11am

#### Berowra Library

Friday 4 October, 10.30am-11.30am

**Ages:** All ages. Children 7 and under must be accompanied by an adult.

**Cost:** \$2 per child for children 18 months and over. Payment at the door. Free for adults accompanying children.

**Bookings:** No bookings required.



### BRONWYN VAUGHAN'S TURBANS, TIES AND TURKISH SLIPPERS

Welcome to the French Salon of Madam Bon Bon. Here, with panache, Madam creates clothes, hats, and shoes fit for a maharaja, a sultan, a queen. Stories are told with beautiful props, puppets, sets, costumes and musical instruments.



#### Hornsby Library

Monday 30 September, 2pm-3pm

**Ages:** 5-7. Children 7 and under must be accompanied by an adult.

**Cost:** \$10.00 per person.

**Bookings:** Bookings essential.

Book online at [hornsby.nsw.gov.au/library](http://hornsby.nsw.gov.au/library)

### NITRO-TASTIC SCIENCE SHOW

A theatrical, educational and interactive science show featuring many liquid nitrogen demonstrations.



#### Pennant Hills Community Centre

Tuesday 8 October, 10.30am-11.30am

#### Berowra Community Centre

Tuesday 8 October, 2.30pm-3.30pm

**Ages:** 5-12. Children 7 and under must be accompanied by an adult.

**Cost:** \$10.00 per child.

**Bookings:** Bookings essential.

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### CRAZY DINOSAUR WORKSHOP

An extremely interactive workshop where children investigate real fossils, a woolly mammoth femur, woolly rhino horn and a sabre-tooth tiger skull. Play dough and kinetic sand are also used throughout the session. Each child will receive a real fossilised shark tooth to take home.



#### Hornsby Library

Wednesday 9 October, 2.30pm-3.30pm

**Ages:** 7-12. Children 7 and under must be accompanied by an adult.

**Cost:** \$10.00 per child.

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### SUPERHERO TRAINING WORKSHOP

Would you like to be a superhero when you grow up? Now is your chance to learn the basics and train with some of your favourite heroes!



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For booking details and further information on these events and more events in your library visit [hornsby.nsw.gov.au/library](http://hornsby.nsw.gov.au/library)

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### Member for a Day: What would you say?

Free fun educational activities at Australia's oldest Parliament for children from 4 to 12 years.

Follow the children's trail; enter the guessing competition, participate in the arts and crafts; visit the historic legislative chambers and places rarely open to the public; give your first speech as a Member of Parliament in the chambers; be entertained by roving musicians.

### FREE ENTRY

#### Activities

10.00 am to 3.00 pm

#### Location

6 Macquarie Street – opposite Martin Place

The public café will be open.

Sausage Sizzle  
**\$3.00**  
per person



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