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Dear Parents and Carers

It is wonderful to have our students back to full time face to face teaching. Classes have spent time sharing their experiences while engaging in distance learning and have worked on settling back into school routines.

In accordance with DoE and NSW Health guidelines Berowra Public School is continuing to implementing strategies to reduce COVID-19 transmission in the wider community including the promotion of personal hygiene measures.

Covid-19 Updates

- There are **no physical distancing requirements for students.**
- **Physical distancing requirements remain for adults.** Parents/carers are not permitted on school site unless attending the office.
- Additional cleaning will occur during the day for the rest of Term 2. This includes cleaning frequently touched areas and bathrooms after recess, as well as replenishing supplies such as soap. High touch surfaces such as picnic tables and handrails in the playground and door handles are also wiped with disinfectant.
- Students are encouraged to stay at home if they are unwell.
- ***Please ensure that you send your child to school with a water bottle. Our bubblers are turned off, however, children are able to refill water bottles from allocated taps.***
- ***The school canteen is open Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays for online lunch and recess orders only.*** At this stage recess orders remain unavailable and cash will not be accepted. We will update you when this changes.

Extra-Curricular Activities and Camps

Guidelines from the DoE state the following activities are **not** to be conducted during the current time:

- School assemblies (unless for critical information)
- School incursions and excursions including camps
- Inter-school activities (debating, inter-school sport)
- In-school activities requiring parent or other volunteers

As a result nonessential extra-curricular activities have been cancelled for Term 2 and the Stage 2 and Stage 3 camps have been cancelled for 2020.

We apologise for any inconvenience as we understand many students, teachers and parents will be disappointed by this news.

Reporting

Reporting for Semester 1, 2020 will occur but with some amendments. During Term 2 Week 10, parents/carers will receive a simplified written report about their child's learning in Semester 1.

The reports will focus on the learning that has taken place so far this year and will include student's progress and achievements, as well as areas for development.

Parents/carers will also be given the opportunity to report on their child's learning during distance learning with a parent report scheduled to be sent to parents in Term 2 Week 8.

Formal parent/teacher interviews which are usually scheduled for Term 2 will now be conducted during Term 3. However, teachers are able to conduct phone interviews for parents/carers wishing to discuss their child's learning this term. Please contact the office via phone or email to make arrangements if you wish to speak to your child's teacher.



P & C Funded Hall Upgrade

The P & C have funded a project in the hall which includes the installation of an electronic screen, projector and updated external speakers. This project is in the final stages with technicians due to complete the work this week. We can't wait to use and share the finished product!

Playground Update

You may have noticed that we have finally had some long awaited progress on our community grant funded shade sail project with the installation of the poles over the weekend. Hopefully the shade sail will be installed sooner rather than later.

Play Equipment

I have been working with AMU via ongoing Zoom meetings to develop the requirements and designs for our new playground equipment and sandpit. Once the contractor has been finalised the design and timeline of completion will be shared. It has been a lengthy process but hopefully our final product will be worth the wait.

Lost Property

There are numerous items of clothing in our lost property. If your child is missing items please encourage them to check in lost property as jumpers and jackets are becoming necessary especially with the recent cold weather. Please remember to label your child's clothing so that it can be returned if misplaced.

School Website

Our school website is undergoing a make-over by our fabulous Miss Westwood and Miss O'Malley. Please view the following link to view our new and improved website.

<https://berowra-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/>

If you have any further questions or concerns please contact the office as we are more than happy to help.

Kind regards

Vicky Wallace

Principal

Health and Safety is everyone's Responsibility

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Our P& C has purchased accident insurance for students who are injured as a result of a serious incident at school. Information is available at the office.

Covid-19 Update Berowra Public School is continuing to follow DoE and NSW Health advice to help manage the spread of viruses and we will continue to keep the community informed as we are provided updates.



1. **Wash your hands** regularly and thoroughly.
2. **Sneeze into your elbow** or a tissue, disposing of the tissue straight away and then washing your hands.
3. **Stay home if you are unwell** and in schools, send home staff or students who show **signs** of being unwell through the day.

Please be aware that along with DoE and health guidelines students are continuing to regularly wash their hands at school.

The school is supplied with liquid soap for use by staff and students (available in the toilets and every classroom). We receive the liquid soap supplies in bulk. The soap in the toilets is checked and refilled twice a day and teachers refill pump bottles for the classroom as required.

Some concerns have been raised in regard to children having a reaction to hand washing. To address this concern I have requested an alternative liquid soap be supplied by AMU. Teachers are also encouraging and checking that the children are washing the soap from their hands thoroughly.

If your child is experiences dry or irritated skin on their hands we encourage you to seek medical advice in the first instance and send in personalised hand wash clearly labelled with your child's names to the classroom teacher, which they will be able to use. Alternatively many parents are applying hand moisturisers at home, which has helped alleviate the problem.

Dogs

We thank the many parents/carers with dogs who have been waiting on the opposite side of the road or away from the congested areas especially during afternoon pick up. We appreciate your commitment and effort in keeping our community safe.

School Hats

During June and July students at BPS are not required to wear a school hat so they can increase their intake of Vitamin-D during the winter months.

Attendance

All students are expected to attend school unless they are unwell.

If your child has a condition which means it is not safe for them to return to school, they will need to obtain a medical certificate.

This means students are either:

- at school;
- at home because they are currently unwell;
- at home because they have a medical certificate which states that they are unable to return to school due to an ongoing medical condition.

Please note, students who are residing with a family member in one of the categories identified as being at increased risk, should attend school unless a medical practitioner advises otherwise. The parent or carer should provide written confirmation from the treating health professional that the student is unable to attend school.

If students are away from school because they are unwell, there is no expectation that they complete school work. It is important that unwell students rest.

When your child is absent from school, don't forget to send in a note on their return to school to explain their absence. This note should explain the reason for the child's absence, the date(s) of the absence and should be signed and dated by a parent or guardian.

Alternatively you can call the school office or send an email to the school's email address berowra-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au with the teacher's name in the subject bar and it will be forwarded to the appropriate staff member.



Road Safety



Bike riding and scooter riding has become even more popular with many of our students riding to and from school. If your child is riding a bike or scooter always ensure they wear a helmet. They need to use their eyes and ears to keep safe. Ear phones while riding inhibits their ability to keep focused on the road and things happening around them.

Canteen Winter Menu 2020



Available Wednesday, Thursday and Friday

Order online at www.flexischools.com.au

* *SUSHI available Wednesday, Thursday and Friday*

Morning Tea		\$
✓	Bread stick	0.10
✓	Frozen pineapple rings	0.30
○	Freshly baked treat	0.80
✓	Orange quarters (4 pieces)	1.00
✓	Pizza Muffin (V)	1.00
○	Garlic bread	1.00
✓	Homemade sausage roll	1.00

Drinks		\$
✓	Juice – Apple or Apple & Blackcurrant (multi vitamin juice crush)	1.00
✓	Water	1.00
✓	Oak flavoured milk – Strawberry, Chocolate or Plain	1.50
✓	Chill J – Raspberry, Grape, Blackcurrant, Lemonade, Watermelon, Orange passionfruit	2.00

Chips		\$
✓	Koala Popcorn - plain	1.00
○	Grain Waves – sour cream & chives	1.50
○	Red Rock Deli – plain	1.50

Frozen		\$
✓	Frozen Seasonal Fruit	0.30
✓	Berri Quelch fruit stick	0.50
✓	Ice Mony – Chocolate milk or sour	0.80
○	Twisted frozen yoghurt – Chocolate/Vanilla or Watermelon/Mango	2.00

Salad		\$
✓	Rainbow salad bowl – lettuce, tomato, carrot & cucumber	2.00
	- add pineapple	0.50
	- add ham, chicken or cheese	1.00

Sushi - Wednesday & Thursdays only		\$
✓	Sushi – Chicken teriyaki, avocado, tuna, cucumber or salmon avocado	3.50

Toasted Jaffles		\$
✓	Cheese	2.50
✓	Cheese & ham	3.50
✓	Cheese & pineapple	3.50
✓	Cheese & tuna	4.00
✓	Cheese & baked beans	3.50
✓	Cheese & spaghetti	3.50
✓	Ham, cheese & pineapple	4.00
✓	Ham, cheese & tomato	4.00
✓	Tuna	3.50
✓	Gluten free bread	1.00

* All jaffles made on wholemeal bread

Sandwiches - wholemeal bread		\$
✓	Vegemite	2.00
✓	Cheese	2.00
✓	Ham	3.00
✓	Chicken	3.00
✓	Tuna	3.00
✓	Salad	3.00
✓	Egg	3.00
✓	Extras – lettuce, cheese, tomato, grated carrot, beetroot or mayo	0.50
✓	Gluten free bread	1.00
✓	Wraps	0.50

Hot Food		\$
○	Garlic Bread	1.00
✓	Corn cob	1.00
○	Nuggets (4) *gluten free available	3.00
○	Snack pie – 90g	2.00
✓	Jacket potato served with cheese and sour cream or baked beans and cheese	2.50
✓	Homemade pasta bolognese	3.00
○	Spinach & ricotta roll	2.50
○	Travellers pie – 160g	3.50
○	Chicken burger with lettuce & mayo	4.00
○	Fish burger with tartare sauce	4.00
✓	Beef burger with cheese & tomato or BBQ sauce	4.00
	*Extra salad	1.00
	*Extras – tomato, cucumber or beetroot	0.50
	*Sauce – tomato, BBQ	0.30
○	Chicken snack wrap – chicken patty with lettuce & mayo on a tortilla	4.00

✓ = Everyday foods
○ = Occasional foods

Canteen Information

ABOUT US

Our canteen is operated by our Supervisor and is assisted by our volunteer parents and grandparents as part of Berowra Public School's active P&C.

VOLUNTEERING WITH US

Our canteen is staffed by a group of wonderful volunteers who help us prepare healthy food and assist with serving at the canteen. If you would like to volunteer, please contact us. Most volunteers help once a month from 9.30am – 2.30pm.

OPENING HOURS

We are open Wednesday, Thursday and Friday for recess, lunch.

EVERYDAY & OCCASIONAL FOOD OPTIONS

We are working towards the NSW Healthy School Canteen Strategy to provide a menu that's at least 3/4 everyday healthy options, and no more than 1/4 occasional food.

Go to www.healthyschoolcanteen.nsw.gov.au to find out more about these requirements.

Please note prices and menu items may vary from time to time.

ORDERING

Online: online ordering closes at 9.30am. We use a system called Flexi so you can order from home at your convenience. To setup your account go to www.flexischools.com.au

FORGOTTEN LUNCH

If your child is without their lunch the office will call the parent and a forgot lunch note will be completed. The invoice will be sent home with the child. Please pay within 7 days.

CONTACT US

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