

# The Crest



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## Term 3 Week 2 29 July 2020

Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome back to Term 3. Our teachers and students are looking forward to a productive term of teaching and learning.

### COVID-19 Key Changes / Announcements

NSW Health have established a [website](#) to inform the community of actions they should take if they have been in a location where there has been confirmed cases of COVID-19 within NSW. Staff and students must comply with public health advice which includes the requirement to self-isolate for the required period if they have been at any of the locations published on this website on the specified dates and times. Students will be supported to learn from home while they are self-isolating.

At present this term we have been able to recommence the following activities:

- Contact sports at school such as soccer and basketball
- Band, Choir, Drama and Dance
- SRE
- Speech Therapists
- Preservice Teachers
- Music Tutors
- Chess Club
- Use of cash and online ordering in the canteen
- School Banking
- Uniform shop – using online ordering and pick up of orders on Wednesday afternoons at 3:20 pm outside the office

A number of school activities remain on hold and will be reconsidered during the term. These include large-scale parent gatherings and parent volunteers. These activities will remain on hold until the situation stabilises.

### Events Cancelled in Term 3/Term 4

The school has carefully considered the DoE guidelines, cost, impact and importance of many extra-curricular events which were planned for the remainder of the year. Many of our Term 3 and Term 4 events have been cancelled or modified. As events resume we will inform parents/carers of the organisation.

All District and Zone sporting events have been cancelled for the year. PSSA for football and netball for Stage 3 only may be returning for a limited 5 round draw. This will be confirmed at this week's PSSA meeting and we will update parents as soon as we find out.

### **Student Learning**

It is great to see our students using the new projector in the hall to help with their learning. They've even been using it to support the learning of some new dance moves which we can't wait to see!



Students in 3P have been learning about expanded notation in mathematics. They were excited to share their understanding of the place value of numbers.



### **Teacher Learning**

We are very lucky to have 2 pre-service teachers in our school. Miss Kathryn Dudley will be in 1T until the end of the term. She is in her final year of completing her Bachelor of Education (Primary). Ms Kate Renaud will be in 5/6C for 6 weeks. This is her second last practicum before completing her Bachelor of Teaching (Primary). We know they will learn a lot from their experience at our school and from their outstanding mentors Mrs Tonkes and Mr Cottrell.

### **Education Week and NAIDOC Day**

Week 3 is Education Week with the theme 'Learning together' and on Tuesday 4 August BPS will celebrate NAIDOC Day which has the theme 'Always Was, Always Will Be.' We have adjusted the activities this year and unfortunately due to current restrictions parents and carers will not be on site to join in our celebrations, but we look forward to sharing some of our achievements, learning and positives with the community on our Facebook page.

### **Kindergarten 2021**

The school is collecting enrolments for Kindergarten 2021. If you have a student starting Kindy in 2021 please call our school office so that we can register your details and send you enrolment forms. Our fabulous Kindy teachers are currently organising a video for our new kindies which will replace our usual Transition Session in Term 3. We are preparing our Kindy Orientation Sessions for new kindies and parents in Term 4, however, are waiting for DoE updates regarding parent visitors on school site. Once we have more information we will update parents on our orientation program as we may need to make adjustments.

### **Shade Sail Update**

As you may have noticed our shade sail was there one day....and gone the next. Hopefully next time it is re-installed it will meet the requirements and be signed off by AMU.

Kind regards

Vicky Wallace

Principal

## **Cross Country**

Congratulations to all the students who participated in the Cross Country last Friday. It was wonderful to see everyone having fun and cheering on one another.

A special mention to the following students who finished in the top 4 of their age group.

### Kindergarten Boys

- 1<sup>st</sup> Patrick H
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Nixon G
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Jack B
- 4<sup>th</sup> Mason M

### Kindergarten Girls

- 1<sup>st</sup> Elyse D
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Sienna V
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Elly L
- 4<sup>th</sup> Maddison M

### Year 1 Boys

- 1<sup>st</sup> Jasper C
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Jake R
- 3<sup>rd</sup> William S
- 4<sup>th</sup> Ashton M

### Year 1 Girls

- 1<sup>st</sup> Ella H
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Olivia B
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Willow N
- 4<sup>th</sup> Nya N

### Year 2 Boys

- 1<sup>st</sup> Alexander C
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Malakai H
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Armi M
- 4<sup>th</sup> Ryan O

### Year 2 Girls

- 1<sup>st</sup> Liana F
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Evie M
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Sienna P
- 4<sup>th</sup> Jasmine A

### 8/9 Years Boys

- 1<sup>st</sup> Ben C
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Sam L
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Ewen H
- 4<sup>th</sup> Jeremy L

### 8/9 Years Girls

- 1<sup>st</sup> Maddison B
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Skye B
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Sophie Y
- 4<sup>th</sup> Avari Y

### 10 Years Boys

- 1<sup>st</sup> Brady M
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Callum H
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Kai G
- 4<sup>th</sup> Nate C

### 10 Year Girls

- 1<sup>st</sup> Rachael H
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Emma W
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Ruby B
- 4<sup>th</sup> Freya C

### 11 Years Boys

- 1<sup>st</sup> Kobe R
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Rubin L
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Jack W
- 4<sup>th</sup> Taj G

### 11 Years Girls

- 1<sup>st</sup> Keirali H
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Tahnee W
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Kate F
- 4<sup>th</sup> Emma D

### 12/13 Years Boys

- 1<sup>st</sup> Zane D
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Taye C
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Harvey B
- 4<sup>th</sup> Cameron P

### 12/13 Years Girls

- 1<sup>st</sup> Alex L
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Lucy H
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Lily P
- 4<sup>th</sup> Chloe L









## Book Week

Book Week is coming up in August! This is an annual event celebrating our wonderful Australian authors and illustrators. This year's theme is "Curious Creatures, Wild Minds." The library has purchased copies of many of the short listed books and over the next few weeks the children will be engaged in learning activities related to these. Our Book Week celebrations will be more subdued this year, however, we aim to still have our Book Character Parade and Literary Trivia on Wednesday 19th August. Unfortunately at this stage parents will not be able to attend due to COVID-19 restrictions. More information will follow closer to the date.

So many changes but be assured that the safety and wellbeing of your children is paramount.

## Library News

Welcome back to the library this term. We are hoping that children will embrace and enjoy borrowing books again. We are adhering to the departmental guidelines for school libraries ensuring that all the returned books remain in the crate, untouched, for 24 hours. There are still some outstanding books not yet returned from earlier in the year. We would appreciate a search of home bookshelves and the return of any book with a Berowra School barcode on the front cover. Overdue notices will go out this week. Thank you in anticipation of your help.

Please remind your children to bring their library bags on the following library borrowing days...

Monday            5/6B, 5/6C, 5/6M, 5/6P

Tuesday          4R, 3P, 4B, 3/4G, 3K

Wednesday      KY, KB, 2T

Thursday        1B, 1T, 1C, 2A

Library lessons and activities will continue to be relevant to curriculum and class programs.

Looking forward to an exciting, productive, literary Term 3!

Jennie Smith & Scott Griffin

Upcoming Events		
<b>Week 3</b>	<b>Tuesday 4 August</b>	Education Week & NAIDOC Day In school activities – no parent attendance
<b>Week 4</b>	<b>Thursday 13 August</b>	Kindy Teddy Bear's Picnic Excursion
<b>Week 5</b>	<b>Wednesday 19 August</b>	Book Week Parade (Parent attendance under review based on DoE updates)
<b>Week 10</b>	<b>Friday 25 September</b>	School Athletics/Fun Day (Parent attendance under review based on DoE updates)
<b>Term 4 Week 3</b>	<b>Tuesday 27 October</b>	School Photos

# Health and Safety is everyone's Responsibility

**Accident & Health International**  
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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.



## Attendance

# Attendance at School

If a child misses an average of nine days per term, (that's less than one day a week) during their primary school years, they would have missed a whole year of learning by the time they reach Year 7. To give your child the best chance for success at school you need to send them every day!

*It's Cool to be in School*

## Road Safety



Always listen to and obey the bus driver's instructions for your safety.



### Parents please return borrowed clothing

From time to time students need to borrow clothing from the school office.

If your child has come home with some items of clothing, like shirts, shorts or pants that belong to the school, please wash and return them to the office as soon as possible as our supplies are running very low.

Thank you



### Lost Property

Please make sure all items of clothing, drink bottles and lunch boxes are clearly labelled with your child's name so they can be returned if they are lost.

# P&C news

## AGM

The 2020 Annual General Meeting of the Berowra Public School Parents and Citizens' Association will be held on Wednesday, 19<sup>th</sup> August 2020 at 7pm hopefully in person on school grounds. All current P&C members are encouraged to attend the AGM to vote and/or nominate for vacant positions. The AGM is open to all parents and carers who wish to attend, however only financial members are eligible to vote and/or nominate for vacant positions. We are in desperate need of a treasurer for the Canteen!

At the completion of the AGM the August general meeting will be held.



## Student Injury Insurance

Berowra Public School P&C Association has a Student Injury Insurance Policy for all of our students as the NSW Department of Education does not provide accident or medical insurance for students enrolled in government schools. The cost of this policy is covered by the P&C.

Under the policy, students are covered whilst they are at school and also when they are outside the school grounds on organised school excursions, sporting events etc. The policy covers a wide range of injuries and the permanent total loss of the use or functioning of certain body parts, as well as certain dental and non-Medicare medical expenses. Whilst we hope that you never have to use this, accidents can happen, having this insurance may help to ease the unexpected financial burden from those extra medical expenses that may occur whilst your child is at school. Although the policy is taken out by the P&C, any claims under the policy are required to be made by the students' parent or guardian directly with the insurer and the P&C is not responsible for the insurer's decisions on your claims. The P & C Association does not need to be notified in the event of an accident, even though the school takes out the insurance on behalf of their students, it is ultimately up to the parents/ caregivers to fill out and file the claim themselves. Further information can be found below:

Policy:

<https://www.pandc.org.au/forms/Insurance19-20/AHI%20Vol%20Workers%20&%20Student%20Personal%20Acc%20Federation%20of%20P&C%2019032019.pdf>

Information sheet for parents:

<https://www.pandc.org.au/forms/guides/Medicare%20-%20Notice%20to%20Claimants%20Federation%20of%20P%20%20C%20Association%20of%20NSW.pdf>

Student injury insurance claim form:

[https://pandc.org.au/forms/2014-2015%20Student%20Injury%20Claim%20Form%20\(1\).pdf](https://pandc.org.au/forms/2014-2015%20Student%20Injury%20Claim%20Form%20(1).pdf)

## Volunteering with the P&C

Should you wish to volunteer your time you are required to have a current "Working with Children" check completed. Once your application has been processed please provide the office with your WWCC number and your DOB so you can be verified.

<https://www.kidsguardian.nsw.gov.au/child-safe-organisations/working-with-children-check>

A Declaration for Volunteers and Non-child Related Contractors form is also required by the Department of Education for any volunteer. This form needs to be completed and 100 points of ID presented at the school office prior to engaging in any volunteer activity with the school.

<https://policies.education.nsw.gov.au/policy-library/associated-documents/non-child-related-declaration-wwcc.pdf>

## Canteen

The Canteen is now taking over the counter cash sales and as well as orders via FlexiSchools.

There are lots of opportunities in the Canteen for volunteers – if you can spare one day a week, fortnight or month, we'd love to have your help! Kids love seeing their parents in the canteen!!!

Come spend the day or just during busy serving time. If you are interested in being part of your child's school in a fun and engaging way, please contact the canteen. You can also sign up directly by using this link <https://signup.com/go/wjCbjaT>

Parents and carers who need to be on site for canteen purposes, must sign the visitor acknowledgement form for each visit. They are available at the school office.

Teresa, Canteen Manager



## Uniform Shop

To purchase your school uniforms you need to do this through Shopify:

<https://berowra-public-school-uniform-shop.myshopify.com/>

Orders can only be collected on a Wednesday afternoon outside the school office. If you require your order to be sent to BOOSH you will need to speak to a staff member there to collect your order.

Fiona Garrity, Uniform Shop Co-ordinator





## Bendigo Bank

Bendigo Bank supports our school by allowing us to raise additional funds for the school through their Community Cash Program.

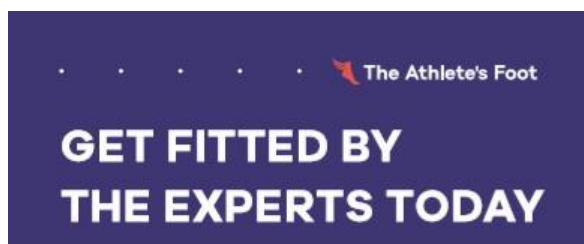
If you are looking for a home or investment property, or just want to check your current rate then let them know and help our school at the same time.

It costs nothing to get a quote and members will earn your school \$25 in Community Cash and if they like what they see they can earn another \$500 in Community Cash for settling a loan of \$250,000 or more.

To date we have raised **\$880** for our school.



## Athlete's Foot



In partnership with



The School Rewards Program is a great fundraising opportunity, with \$5 from every pair of shoes purchased being donated back to your school.

This applies to the whole family across our fantastic range of school, sports, work and casual shoes.

Ask one of our friendly staff in store for more details!

\*Visit [www.theathletesfoot.com.au/school-rewards](http://www.theathletesfoot.com.au/school-rewards) for more details



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