

The Crest

Term 3 Week 2 27 July 2022

Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome back to Term 3. We have a busy term planned with learning, extracurricular activities, and opportunities for our community to be welcomed into the school to celebrate and share our learning.

We thank the parents, students, and teachers for their participation in parent/teacher interviews and/or Learning Conversations. We also thank the parents who took the time to provide feedback about Learning Conversations. We use this feedback to adjust our current organisation and practice so that we are constantly improving what we are doing. BPS had an 83% participation rate in parent/teacher interviews and/or Learning Conversations, with a total of 286 parent/teacher interviews and Learning Conversations scheduled.

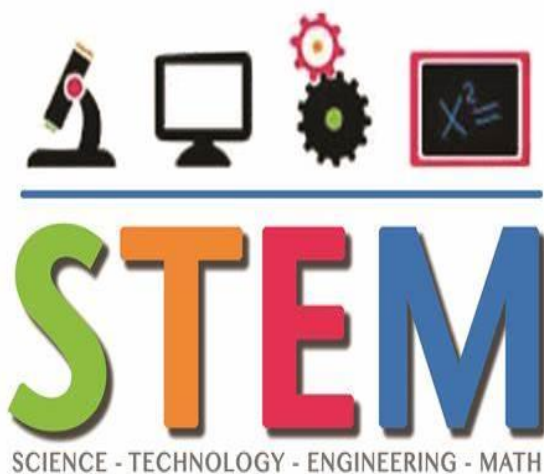
As you may be aware there has been a delay in our Oval Rejuvenation project due to the rain. We were hoping our oval would be finished by Open Day in Week 3, however at this stage it is very unlikely as the grounds are still extremely wet. We will keep you updated on the progress.



The metro renewal project which involves the refurbishment of D block (Administration and the old Kindy classrooms) and half of A block (staffroom and office areas) has been further delayed. It is now expected that the project will not start until mid-September.

Based on parent feedback and due to the delayed schedule parents and carers will be allowed on site to collect their children in the afternoon. We request that parents enter the grounds **after 3:10pm** and wait at the silver seats on the synthetic turf. Please make sure you speak to your children about where you are collecting them to avoid any unnecessary confusion. Kindergarten pick-up procedures will remain the same and their teachers will bring the children to the Hall Cola. Please note that we may need to revert back to previous pick-up arrangements if Covid guidelines change or due to WHS when the asset works are taking place.

Last week it was wonderful to welcome our Director Ros McCallan-Jamieson and the Executive Director Tim McCallum to the school for lunch and a visit. They were able to visit some of our classes and see the many changes in our school environment including our fabulous Library makeover.



During Semester 2 at BPS we are excited to be diving into digital technologies in our STEM lessons. STEM so far this year has been a great opportunity for students to learn 21st Century skills with a focus on the 4C's; Collaboration, Critical Thinking, Creativity and Communication. Students have enjoyed being hands on and creative whilst learning about the world around them. This semester we have hired a 3D printer which will be used for Stages 2 and 3 as they learn how to build in the digital space and watch it come to life in the printing phase. Early Stage 1 and Stage 1 will be exploring the foundational skills of coding and programming using our Bee Bots. We can't wait to see what the students will come up with in these lessons.



Our 3D printers have arrived!



Filament threaded and put in

A part of the 3D Printer heats up to a really high temperature to melt the plastic filament



Watching the set up instructional videos



We did it.....working and ready to go!!!

Student Learning Dance Group



Congratulations to both dance groups on their fabulous performances at the Sydney North Dance Festival late last term. Their behaviour and performances were outstanding and it was a wonderful experience for the students to perform at Glen St Theatre. The junior dance group has been selected as a reserve for the State Dance Festival. It is a huge achievement to be acknowledged at this high level as there are over 500 dance items from primary and high schools across the state who apply each year. We are hopeful they will be able to perform. Unfortunately, our senior group could not apply as they will be on school camp.





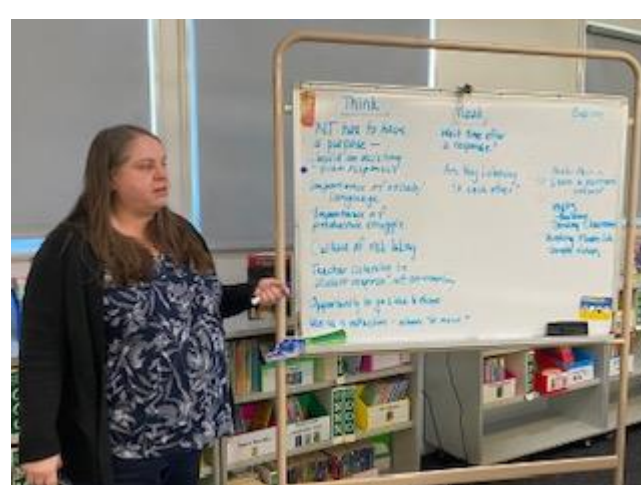
Although our playground is limited at the moment our students are still able to enjoy the activities at lunch time or help out in the Library



Teacher Learning

Our teachers have participated in Welcome to and Acknowledgement of Country professional learning. This will be put into practice to support our Aboriginal students and student leadership team to develop a whole school Acknowledgement of Country and all classes to develop their own class Acknowledgement of Country.

Staff also engaged in professional learning around our Instructional Rounds finding and had a bit of fun celebrating with a game of pass the parcel to an 80s playlist. We also delved more deeply into Number Talks and High Potential and Gifted Education which is a whole school focus in Strategic Direction 3 of our School Improvement Plan.





Save the Date - Book Parade and Book Fair

BPS will celebrate Book Week on Thursday 1st September with a Book Parade in the morning and a Book Fair throughout the day. Our students love to dress up in their favourite book characters so start thinking of ideas. Students, parents and families can purchase books for home and may also like to donate some books to our newly refurbished library. This year we will not be accepting cash, only pre-orders or EFTPOS payments on the day. The students will also participate in a Book Trivia competition in the afternoon. More information will be given soon.

Library News

Library days Term 3

Monday - 5/6B, 5/6H, 3/4S, 3/4P (Miss Roberts)

Tuesday - 5/6C, 5/6G, 3/4B, 3/4G (Miss Roberts)

Wednesday - K Yellow, K Red (Mrs Lukic)

Thursday - 1T, 1K, 1/2A, 2L (Miss Roberts)

A big THANK YOU to Berowra Public School for your support of the St Marks Anglicare Winter Food Drive. We got more than 17 overflowing tubs of donated goods from you which is on its way to those in need throughout NSW.



Open Day

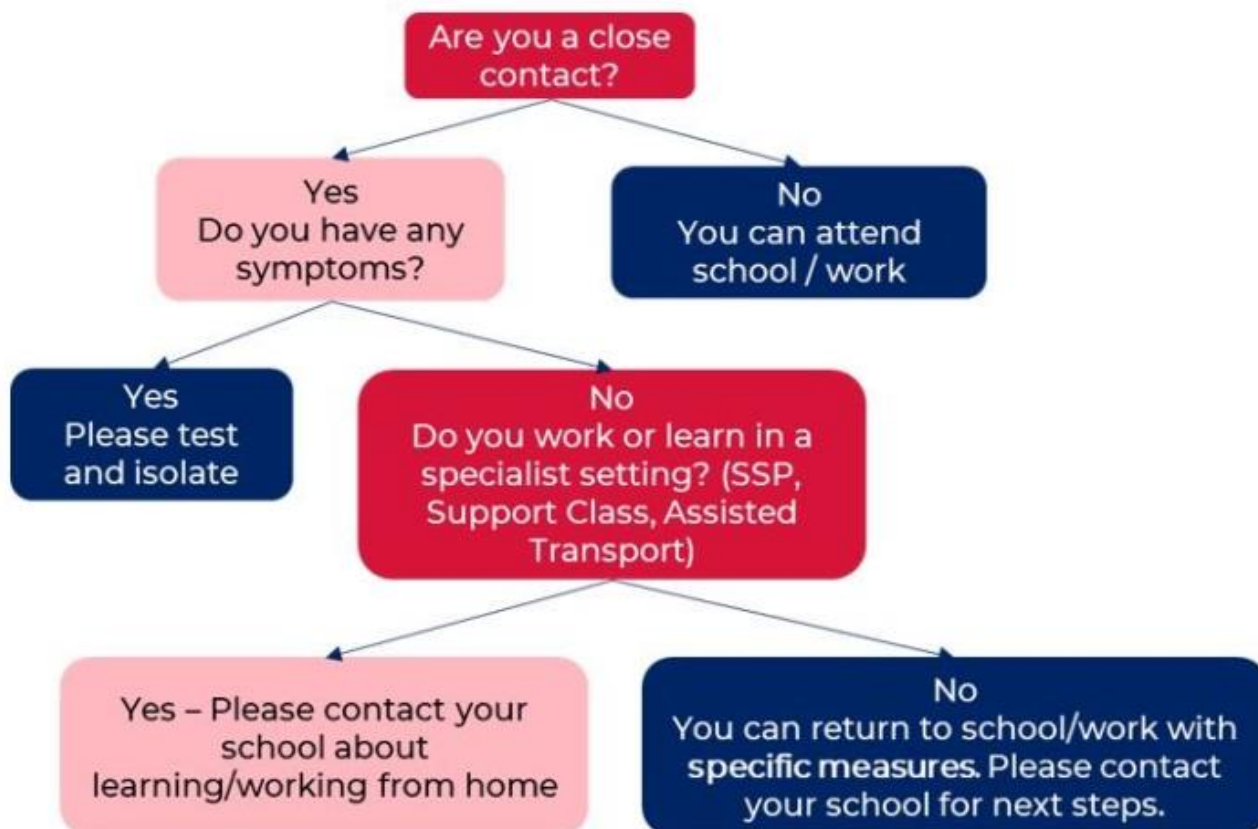
We are pleased to be opening our school to parents, families and the community on Wednesday 3rd August from 1 pm - 4:30 pm. Everyone is invited to watch our senior drama group perform at 1pm in the school hall, followed by our junior dance group and senior dance group. The students will then come out to join you for a picnic lunch from 1:30 pm - 2:20 pm. You may like to bring a picnic rug. The canteen will be selling tea/coffee and cakes during this time. Classrooms and the library will be open for the students to show you around from 2:20 - 3:20 and will remain open for viewing until 4:30 pm.



Covid Updates

Staff and students who are close contacts and have no symptoms to continue to attend school if they follow guidelines agreed with NSW Health.

Before considering whether to return to school or work, please use the decision tree that follows to assist with whether it is appropriate.



Note that staff and students who have had confirmed COVID-19 in the last 4 weeks, do not have to comply with these guidelines if they become a household or close contact and are not required to self-isolate or test unless they develop new COVID-19 symptoms.

- Please notify the school if your child is intending to return under this provision. **Schools will need to maintain this record on their local management systems**
- Staff and students should conduct a daily rapid antigen test (RAT) and return a negative result each morning before attending school for 5 school days.
- Primary school students are recommended to wear a mask indoors (except when eating or exercising).
- No student or staff member identified as a close contact will be permitted to participate in overnight excursions, including school camps.
- Any visitor to a school site who is a close contact is required to advise the school that they are a close contact before they come on site. These visitors should conduct a daily RAT and return a negative result before attending. They must also wear a mask indoors at all times. Schools should consider if the visit can be conducted virtually.

Notifications for absentees

Thank you to the P&C who has suggested the use of a text-based system for notifying parents their child is absent. We have investigated this and are able to use the Sentral system to do this. Once the office staff is trained we will let you know when we will start trialling the new system. We thank you for your patience while we get this organised.

Early Departures

If your child needs to be collected to leave early, please try to collect them before or after our break times to avoid any unnecessary delays in collection. Our recess time is 11:20-11:45am and our lunch time is 1:30-2:20pm.

Drop-offs and pick-ups

The drop off of students will continue from Hillcrest Road. To limit contact please ensure you don't linger at drop off or pick up. Teacher supervision in the playground starts at 8:50am, so please ensure students walking to school by themselves are arriving after 8:50am.

Please be reminded that parents should not enter school grounds to drop off students before school.

All parents need to attend the school office during school hours to collect early leavers or deliver late arrivals.

Students catching a bus or riding a bike will exit from the Hall gate.

Parent Communication

BPS Parent Communication Procedures and our BPS Visitor Procedures are available on our school website.

We encourage parents to engage in their child's learning by leaving a like or a comment on their Seesaw work. If you have questions, enquiries, or comments for teachers please email or phone the school and the teacher will get back to you as soon as possible.

School Bytes, our school email system is set up to send emails to the parent listed as the 1st contact on student enrolment forms. If you would like to add a second parent/carers contact to receive emails please email your request to the school email address.

Additionally, if you change your email address or are not receiving emails, please ensure you notify the school so we can check and update your details.

WHS

Intensive cleaning will continue to take place daily and schools are being provided with additional hygiene supplies.

Risk Management Plans

If your child has sustained a serious injury and requires accommodations or adjustments to be put in place please phone the school office to make an appointment with me. We create Risk Management Plans to prevent any further injury and so that all staff are aware of any necessary changes that are put in place.

Enrolments – Please enrol your child now using online enrolments

A child is entitled to enrol at the local school that the student is eligible to attend if his or her home is within that school's intake area.

Currently our school has an enrolment of 346 students. We sit 22 above our enrolment cap of 324 students. An out of area application for BPS can still be made, however, it is submitted to a panel who follow criteria to decide whether the application is accepted.

BPS Enrolment Procedures and Protocols are located on our school website at <https://berowra-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/>

Please contact the office if you require any additional information.

If you have any questions or concerns please don't hesitate to contact me via the school email berowra-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au or phone the front office.

Vicky Wallace
Principal

Learning From Home

Berowra PS is utilising the Department of Education's Learning from Home packages to support students who are at home in isolation due to COVID-19. These resources are available without a school log in - students select their grade level and can be guided through the tasks with a series of videos and explanations. There are now 2 suites of home learning packages and students can start in either. Each suite gives a suggested starting point.

<https://education.nsw.gov.au/teaching-and-learning/learning-from-home/learning-at-home/2022-digital-learning-packs/primary>

Work can be completed offline and returned to the class teacher when your child returns, or via a digital tool such as Google Docs or Slides.

Students may also access their individual class Google Classroom (Yrs 3-6) or Seesaw and complete any work or activities that may have been posted for the class or upload any tasks they have completed from the home learning platform.

Students may also complete Mathletics, Reading Eggs or Decodable Readers Australia Online as appropriate. Other possible learning activities include:

- Reading aloud to practice fluent and expressive reading
- Reading privately
- Writing in a journal or free writing book - stories, reviews of books or movies etc
- Playing card or dice games
- Research a topic of personal interest and create a presentation to share what was learned

Of course, if your child is feeling unwell, there is no expectation that they complete work at home.

If you do not have adequate access to devices, please contact the school to make arrangements for a loan device. Please email your class teacher via the office if you have any issues with log in details for any of the mentioned platforms.

Attendance

Teachers are still recording attendance. If your child is sick please let the school know by either email or phone so that we can update our rolls accordingly and if they are isolating we are able to provide learning from home.

Students who are learning from home are recorded as Flexible 'F' on the roll. This will not negatively affect their attendance. Teachers will be checking if students have submitted work.

Currently, there are three COVID-19 categories of attendance that will affect the codes used for roll marking.

	Face to face learning at school	Learning from home - teacher assisted (cohorts or schools)	Learning from home - self-paced learning (individuals)
Description	Schools are open for face-to-face learning and all students are expected to attend school on-site.	Roll marked as 'F': Where a class, year group or whole school is instructed to learn from home and the student is participating in the learning.	Roll marked as 'F': Where an individual student is required to learn from home due to a medical reason or a Public Health Order and the student is participating in learning.

For students who are unwell there is no expectation that learning from home be complete

Road Safety

Due to lack of casuals at Transport for NSW, BPS may not have a crossing supervisor allocated daily until Miriam's position is filled. Please remind your children of the road safety messages below.



1. Wherever possible, cross the road at a designated pedestrian crossing facility
2. Stop! Look! Listen! Think! when crossing the road
3. Take care whenever you cross
4. Don't run across the road

Health and Safety is everyone's responsibility

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.

Accident & Health International
Underwriting Pty Limited



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.



BPS SCHOOL CALENDAR

*** Please note calendar events are pending Covid-19 restrictions and DoE guidelines at the time of the event.**

Term 3

Week	Date	Event
Week 3	Wednesday 3 August	Education Week – Open Day 1:00pm-4:30pm
Week 4	Monday 8 August	BPS Athletics Carnival
Week 4	Tuesday 9 August	School Photos
Week 4	Wednesday 10 August Thursday 11 August	Instructional Rounds John Purchase Public School
Week 4	Thursday 11 August	Canteen Special Day - Tacos
Week 5	Wednesday 17 August	P&C AGM at 7:00pm
Week 5	Thursday 18 August	Kindy excursion Teddy Bear's Picnic
Week 5	Friday 19 August	HZSS Athletics at Narrabeen
Week 5	Sunday 21 August	P&C Working Bee
Week 6	Thursday 25 August	P&C Mufti Day
Week 7	Tuesday 30 August	Father's Day Stall
Week 7	Thursday 1 September	Book Parade, Book Fair and Trivia
Week 7	Friday 2 September	Father's Day Breakfast
Week 8	Monday 5 September to Friday 9 September	Stage 3 Camp
Week 9	Wednesday 14 September Thursday 15 September	Instructional Rounds Berowra Public School
Week 9	Friday 16 September	P&C School Disco
Week 10	Monday 19 September	Sydney North Athletics at Sydney Olympic Park (SOP)
Week 10	Wednesday 21 September	P&C Meeting at 7:00pm
Week 10	Friday 23 September	Last Day of Term 3

Term 4

Week	Date	Event
Week 1	Monday 10 October	School resumes for students
Week 2	Wednesday 19 October	P&C Meeting 7:00pm
Week 2	Wednesday 19 and Thursday 20 October	NSWPSSA Athletics at Sydney Olympic Park (SOP)
Week 2	Saturday 22 October	School Fair
Week 4	Thursday 3 November	Canteen Special Day – ice cream
Week 6	Wednesday 16 November	P&C Meeting 7:00pm
Week 6	Sunday 19 November	P&C Working Bee
Week 8	Wednesday 30 November	Prefect Elections
Week 9	Wednesday 7 December	Presentation Day
Week 9	Thursday 8 December	Mini Fete
Week 9	Friday 9 December	Reports Home
Week 9	Friday 9 December	P&C School Disco
Week 10	Wednesday 14 December	Year 6 Farewell
Week 10	Thursday 15 December	Talent Show
Week 11	Monday 19 December	Year 6 Clap Cut
Week 11	Monday 19 December	Last day of school for students
Week 11	Tuesday 20 December	SDD – Last day of school for staff





Oval Upgrade



Berowra
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We are excited to share more information regarding our school oval upgrade!

As you are aware, BPS P&C were successful with securing a grant for \$100,000 through the Community Building Partnership Program with the support of local sporting clubs. This injection of funds has allowed us to get this project off the ground and make it a reality. The new synthetic surface will provide more space and opportunities for students to play and learn safely all year round. The new space will be 50m x 25m with a running track around the outside as well as multiple field markings to allow for different configurations. The work will begin in July school holidays and will take approximately 4 weeks (weather dependent). The oval will be a welcomed addition to our wonderful school and we look forward to seeing the end product.



Berowra Public School 2022

Hi There!

Your School photo day is coming up on **Tuesday 9 August 2022**

Ordering your school photos is quick and easy using our **NEW MSP Online Platform!**

You can also order your Family Sibling Photos at the same time you order the individual photos by scrolling further down the page.
Family orders must be placed BEFORE photo day.

Online ordering Closes Tuesday 9 August 2022.

Archive fee applies after this date.

Please use the link below to order your photos on your desktop.

[Click here to get started](#)

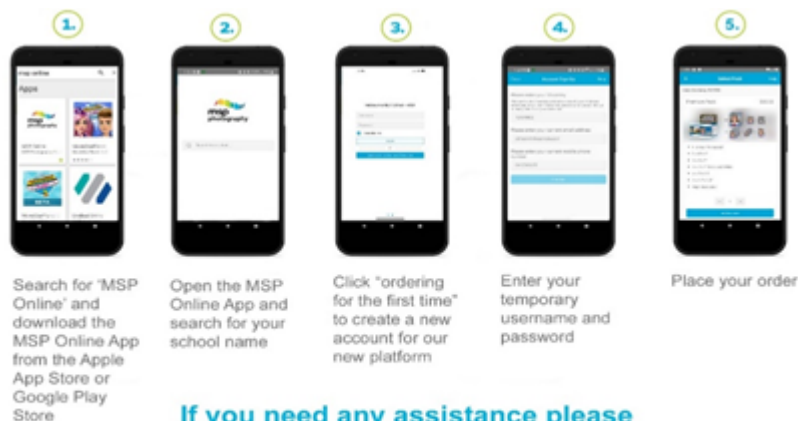
With Username and Password

[Click here to get started](#)

With ShootKey

Please contact our office on 9499 6555

You can also order using an iPhone or Android device by downloading the MSP Online app and following the below steps!



**If you need any assistance please
call us on 94996555 or email
sydney@msp.com.au**

**If you're too busy right now that's not a problem! There will be an email alert sent out to you in the coming days.
Please ensure your email is the same that is registered with the school to ensure you receive the alerts for Online Ordering.**

BPS FAIR

22ND OCTOBER 2022

Fair Update

Our school Fair is fast approaching.

Plans are well underway, and the countdown is now on!

This is the major fundraising event for our school, and we can't do it without your help! The funds from our Fair this year will go directly to our wonderful school and benefit our children. Over the years the P&C has funded air conditioning, smartboards, laptops, a hall projector and most recently our new playground and oval.

Our Fair is entirely run by volunteers comprised of parents, staff, and students. We look to the local business community for their generous support also. Already, we have received amazing support from our local community through sponsorship.

If you would like more information about sponsorship, please contact the fair team on the email below.

Wondering what to do between now and the Fair?

- ✓ Attend a Fair meeting
- ✓ Check in with your class parent about how you can help
- ✓ Tell your friends and family to save the date!
- ✓ Buy a raffle ticket – COMING SOON
- ✓ Buy a ride band – COMING SOON

Dates for the diary

All fair meetings will be held at 7pm in the school library on the following dates:

- 10th August
- 14th September
- 12th October
- 19th October
- 22nd October FAIR DAY

BPS FAIR

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Fair mufti days

Our next mufti days will be on the 8th of September.

Contact us

Email: fair@bps.org.au

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/berowrapublicschoolfair>

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT



BPS FAIR 22ND OCTOBER 2022

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Platinum Sponsor

CASS PROPERTY

Adam Castelnovo – director and owner of CASS Property is our proud Platinum sponsor for our BPS Twilight Fair. With 10 years of being a successful real estate business owner under his belt, Adam and his team buy, sell and manage property across the upper and lower north shore of Sydney.

“Combining that passion for real estate with an idealistic dream to be my own boss I chose to become a captain of my own fate and took the plunge into entrepreneurship. My dream was simple: a service-focused, market-leading real estate specialist (me), whose reputation is based solely on my client’s experiences (you).”

You can trust that when you are working with Cass Property, you are not only under the very best care, but you have the professionalism and personalised service to ensure your real estate experience is one to remember.

We are thrilled to have your support Cass & cannot wait to see you on the 22nd of October!

Contact Cass Property today:
0415 217 322
<https://cassproperty.com.au/>

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Silver Sponsors

KING BUILDING GROUP

Introducing King Building Group, one of our fabulous Silver sponsors for our BPS Twilight Fair!

King Building Group is an experienced and highly regarded residential and commercial construction company, turning your next new home build, renovation or commercial project into a reality.

King Building Group brings together an industry leading team of builders along with an expansive network of quality trade services to deliver quality outcomes for clients.

Based in Sydney, the team works across Greater Sydney along with the Central Coast and Northern Illawarra regions.

For more information visit them on Instagram via @kingbuildinggroup or email them: info@kingbuildinggroup.com.au

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AIR INDUSTRIES AIR CONDITIONING

Introducing, Emmanuel and Laryssa from Air Industries Air Conditioning, who is one of our fabulous Silver Sponsors for our BPS Twilight Fair!

Air Industries is a family-owned business based in Mooney Mooney. With over 25 years of experience, they specialise in installation, service, repair and maintaining air conditioning systems to residential homes and light commercial business. Their team are fully licensed, insured and professional with a solid reputation of providing a reliable, affordable, safe and honest service. With access to the top leading brands in Australia, they service the Hawkesbury River, Upper North Shore and parts of the Sydney.

Their philosophy is simple:

"If the system is not good enough to be used in our home or business, we will not recommend it to you".

We aim to provide you with the best air conditioning system, so you will enjoy it for many years to come."

Make sure you contact the lovely Laryssa today for a free quote or schedule a service:

0407 201 436

<https://airindustriesac.com.au/>



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HAMILTON ISLAND

Hamilton Island is one of our silver sponsor's for the BPS fair this year!

Part of the Whitsundays, and at the heart of the Great Barrier Reef, Hamilton Island is a uniquely Australian paradise. With the sun at your feet, it truly is a warm, relaxing, and fun destination for the entire family!

Hamilton Island is a private, 100% Australian-owned resort in the heart of the Great Barrier Reef.

On Hamilton Island you'll find a range of accommodation including the award-winning qualia resort, an 18-hole championship golf course, a choice of cafes and restaurants and a 300+ berth marina. With its own airport, you can fly direct to Hamilton Island from Sydney, Melbourne and Brisbane and be enjoying the year-round average temperature of 26 degrees in under three hours.

We have our cocktails waiting by the pool already!

If you want to make your next destination Hamilton Island, make sure you visit their site today & speak with a friendly reservations consultants to enjoy the paradise that Hamilton holds!

<https://www.hamiltonisland.com.au/>



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BEROWRA RSL CLUB

Introducing one of our fabulous Bronze Sponsors for our BPS Twilight Fair, Berowra RSL Club!

Club Berowra is situated at 997 Pacific Highway, Berowra and is a great location not only for residents of Berowra and adjacent suburbs but also as a mid-way point between Sydney and the Central Coast.

With several bars, gaming areas, dining areas and events all year round, you can enjoy a lunch, dinner or beverage six days a week with the convenience of being picked up or dropped home safely, care of their fabulous courtesy bus.

Make sure you give Berowra RSL a visit today, their food and atmosphere is sure to keep you coming back for more!

02 9456 1844
997 Pacific Hwy, Berowra
<https://clubberowra.au/>



Club Berowra

TURNER ROAD PRESCHOOL

Say a big warm hello to one of our Bronze Sponsors for our BPS Twilight Fair, Turner Rd Preschool!

Led by Michelle Doran, Turner Rd Preschool provides high quality education and care for 3 – 6 year olds right here in our local community. They pride themselves on providing nurturing learning environments that inspire and challenge young children to create, explore and learn using an interest-based play approach.

Open from 8:00am–4:00pm, 48 weeks of the year with a 1:5 educator-to-child ratio, their tailored 8 hour day, not only provides parents with a care service 48 weeks per year (we close for 4 weeks over the Christmas period), but also ensures they can maximise any Child Care Subsidy (CCS).

"Children, families, community and environmental awareness is at the forefront of all we do."

Turner Road Preschool has been purposefully designed with the child, families, sustainability and the environment at the forefront. What a beautiful, nurturing business to have on board with us here as BPS!

Make sure you reach out if you are keen to know more about Turner Rd:
9456 0609
<https://turnerroadpreschool.com.au/>

Adventure



**TURNER ROAD
PRESCHOOL**

CROCODILE CREEK SHIRTS

Welcoming one of our Bronze Sponsors for our BPS Twilight Fair, Crocodile Creek Shirts!

A family printing business, right here in the heart of Berowra, Crocodile Creek Shirts service all around Australia, providing schools and clubs with Memento Shirts, Graduation Shirts and Leavers' Shirts, proudly made right here in Australia, only using high quality products. Crocodile Creek Shirts has thrived over the decades and was established way back in 1986! With a fondness for quality, the longevity of the business speaks as a testament to the product, consistency and superior service.

As a family business, they not only offer fast and friendly service with competitive pricing, but also proudly donate \$2 from every shirt sold, to not-for-profit organisations.

You are in good hands with Ryan and Chey at the centre of Crocodile Creek Shirts, so make sure you reach out and enquire with them today!
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<https://www.crocodilecreek.com.au/>



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BAS HEALTH & FITNESS

Berowra BPS dad and bringer of jokes, kettlebells and bikes, Bas Green is the owner of BAS Health & Fitness – and one of our proud bronze sponsors for our twilight fair! Berowra's favourite group fitness sessions, BAS Health & Fitness gives you holistic fitness with a feelgood vibe, coached by expert fitness trainer, Bas himself.

Regardless of age, ability, skills or fitness level, he can adapt the session to give you a solid workout that's ideal for where you're at. His fitness sessions all have his trademark blend of science, physical challenge, art, mental stimulation, and group fun. If you've even been up before the sun round here, you might have seen him setting up sessions for an awesome group of BASinators on Berowra and Warrina Ovals.

Reach out and contact Bas, to start your health and fitness journey today!

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