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### Term 3 Week 4 10 August 2022

Dear Parents and Carers

It was so wonderful to invite our community onsite for Open Day to celebrate Education Week. It was a chance for us to showcase the best of the best with our drama group and both our junior and senior dance groups performing. We are so proud of all our performers who were absolutely amazing! A huge thanks to Mrs Kolarik for working with our drama Group, Mrs Mitchell for writing the humorous play and Mrs Lukic who is outstanding with her dance choreography. It was also a chance for families to visit classrooms and to see our new Library make over.

Students at our school are always at the heart of what we do and we are so lucky to have such kind, positive and engaged students who make our school such a wonderful place to learn and work.

I would like to recognise the brilliant work of our staff – leadership teams, teaching, support and administrative staff who are instrumental in working behind the scenes to produce the rich teaching and learning opportunities across academic, sporting and creative domains.

One of the most wonderful things about Education Week is just how much excitement and energy there is in the school – such pride is experienced by our students and staff, and I know our school community feels it too. It felt pretty wonderful on Open Day – reconnecting with our community to celebrate all that is truly amazing about Berowra Public School.































**BPS Newsletter** 



On Thursday 28 July, BPS celebrated NAIDOC Day. The day started with a special smoking ceremony conducted by Uncle Laurie to cleanse the area and the people of bad spirits and to promote the protection and well-being of visitor. We then attended the school hall for our special NAIDOC Day assembly led by our student leaders. It was great to watch a video of all the past NAIDOC Day celebrations at BPS.

Each class then worked on creating their own Acknowledgement to Country, while our Aboriginal students and student leaders worked in the library with some of their parents or grandparents, Ms Cabral, Ms Wallace and Uncle Laurie to create a whole school Acknowledgement of Country which will be used at our assemblies and whole school events.

It was wonderful to learn about the local area and traditional Aboriginal tools which Uncle Laurie shared with each class on NAIDAOC Day and again on Tuesday 2 August













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### **Athletics Carnival**

3<sup>rd</sup> time lucky! Our Athletics Carnival finally went ahead without a hitch on Monday. Thankfully, the weather was perfect, and the field and track were dry enough for us to go ahead and it was so lovely to have so many spectators attend. Congratulations to all those competitors who made it to Zone which will be held next Friday. Well done to all our students who competed with enthusiasm. Thank you to our parent helpers who were assisting with the field events, timing, and handing out place sticks. Thank you to our amazing canteen who relocated and provided such a great variety of food and snacks on the day and Mr Griffin and our teaching staff who did a fantastic job organising and running the day. A huge shout out to our administrative staff who had to book, and rebook buses several times over.





























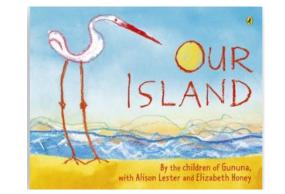




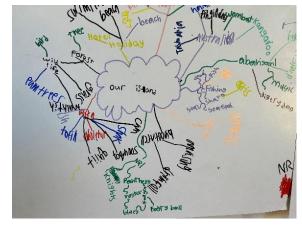












### Student Learning

1/2A read the book "Our Island" by Alison Lester. We then created word webs in groups and used our word webs to create some sentences about an Island. The children created some wonderful pieces of writing including those below. We enjoy using quality literature to inspire us!

Our Island by Mika G

On our island there's beautiful nature and soft, bright grass full of daisies. The woods are covered in mangroves with big, healthy crabs. The beaches have wild, wavy waves with amazing fish and whales. The sand is soothing on skin and every time water comes shells appear. People come for holidays and stay in beach houses. The sun is always shining brightly. Our island is beautiful.

Our Island by Nivin V

On our island there are beaches with seas. It is beautiful. On our Island there are cities with buildings. On our Island there are parks with swings and seesaws. It is great!

Our Island by Elyse D

On our island called Australia the island is gigantic. We have resources that we need to survive. Our island is really big but we don't have many people on it because the middle is completely desert. We have man made things and natural things, mostly natural things. We have lots of species of animals that live in Australia, some friendly, some not. Australia is surrounded by water. We are not connected to any other county.

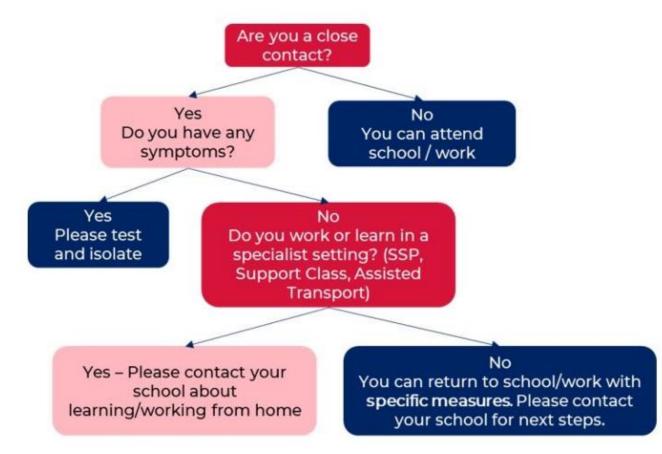
#### Our Island by Emily P

On our island Australia there is lots of people, it is a big island. Australia has many islands including Tasmania and the mainland of Australia. Australia has lots of nature and also man made structures or features such as schools, houses, shops, airports, cars and planes. There are lots of natural features that have been here for ages. The Aboriginal culture it the oldest culture in Australia. My favourite part about Australia is that it is surrounded by water.

### **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 <u>record</u> 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 1<sup>st</sup> 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 <a href="https://berowra-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/">https://berowra-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/</a>

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 <u>berowra-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au</u> 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/learningat-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 comple

### **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 DoEguidelines at the time of the event.

Term 3				
Week	Date	Event		
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		
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 6	Thursday 25 August	Year 4 Science Experience Day at AGHS		
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





All funds go towards the setup of our Twilight Fair! Students must have their shoulders and midriffs covered. Enclosed shoes to be worn.

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## Oval Upgrade



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.

# FATHER'S DAY STALL

### tuesday 30th August

It's here again, that time of the year when all dads deserve a little something special on Father's Day.

this is a wonderful opportunity to help fundraise for our school. A range of gifts priced from \$2 to \$10 will be available. Please send money with your child on the day to allow them to purchase gifts.

Children will be taken in their class group to the hall by their teacher during the day to choose special gifts.

Children with siblings will be given the opportunity to confer to ensure no double ups!

Please also remember to give your child a bag to put their gifts in.

# FATHER'S DAY BREAKFAST

Friday 2nd of September 7.30am - 9.20am hall cola

It's time to celebrate all our wonderful Dads (and other special men in the lives of our children).

Bacon and egg rolls will be on offer and there will be a coffee van on site for you to purchase and fulfil your caffeine needs!

We look forward to seeing many dads there to enjoy the morning!

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> > **BPS Newsletter**

### BPS Working Bee

Sunday 21st August 10-12pm Bring your gloves, shovel, wheelbarrows and rakes!

### P&C AGM WEDNESDAY 18TH AUGUST 7PM SCHOOL LIBRARY

JOIN THE TEAM THAT MAKES A DIFFERENCE TO YOUR CHILD'S WHOLE SCHOOL EXPERIENCE! NEW MEMBERS ALWAYS WELCOME.

THE P&C IS A GREAT WAY TO ENGAGE WITH OTHER PARENTS, CARERS, CHILDREN AND TEACHERS IN THE SCHOOL COMMUNITY. IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO LEARN MORE, COME ALONG TO A MEETING OR FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE EMAIL: SECRETARY@BPS.ORG.AU



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BPS FAIR 22ND OCTOBER 2022



### Platinum Sponsor

### CASS PROPERTY

Adam Castelnuovo – 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/

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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#### Silver Sponsors Cont.

### 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/



### HAMILTON ISLAND

Hamilton Island is one of our silver sponsor's for the BPS Twilight 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/



Silver Sponsors Cont.

### **MOVING BODIES**

Introducing, the home of kids and adults fitness on Sydney's North Shore – Moving Bodies! Another one of our fabulous silver sponsors for our BPS Twilight Fair!

Situated at Mt Kuring-Gai, the team at Moving Bodies aim to make exercise and fitness fun for children and adults of all ages – from babies to seniors.

Aware of the demand among North Shore residents and their families for a local fitness centre where kids and adults can enjoy healthy and fun activities, Moving Bodies Centre was opened in April 2012.The Centre, complete with indoor heated swimming pool, offers programs outside the school system that complement your family's lifestyle.

So, whether it is gymnastics, adult or children's fitness classes, ninja courses, indoor soft play, swimming lessons or indoor parkour – you can guarantee Moving Bodies has it all!

Plus, it's a fabulous venue for your next little one's birthday party or perhaps you'd prefer to hire their mobile birthday party equipment?

Whatever you feel like taking part in, ensure you visit Moving Bodies today, you're sure to have a tonne of fun!

https://www.movingbodies.com.au/ Hamley Road, Mt Kuring-gai 9457 7732



#### Bronze Sponsors

### **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/



### 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 old's 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 forefr 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/



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### **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-forprofit 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! 9456 6699

https://www.crocodilecreek.com.au/



#### Bronze Sponsors Cont.

#### **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!

Bas Green 0416 977 963 bashealthandfitness.com.au FB @BASHealth&Fitness



#### FIRST CLASS GLASS

Introducing one of our bronze sponsors for our Twilight Fair, First Class Glass!

Ben and Alanna are incredibly well known within the community, providing exceptional customer service as premier glaziers in Hornsby and the surrounding North Shore Area.

Offering a complete range of services to suit all of your residential and commercial glass requirements including glass repairs, replacement and installation, glass and mirrors cut to size, bespoke mirrors and mirror repairs, frameless glass shower screens, coloured glass splash backs, glass balustrades, UV bonding, glass shelving and roof lights, double glazed units AND a whole lot more (phew) – their knowledge, experience and professionalism means any glass-related job is completed flawlessly and efficiently.

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### Ku-ring-gai High School

Turramurra North Campus



# Sutstanding HSC Results

50% of our students gained early entry into University.

20% of our students achieved ATARs over 90.

20% of our students achieved in the top two bands in all of their subjects.

BRAND NEW INNOVATIVE AND SPECIALIST LEARNING SPACES

EXPANSIVE CURRICULUM INCLUDING OUR TALENT ENRICHMENT PROGRAM

LONG-STANDING CULTURE OF CREATIVE AND PERFORMING ARTS

NATURAL, TRANQUIL SURROUNDINGS TO STUDY, LEARN AND SOCIALISE



Our next school tours are: Tuesday 9 Aug, 10:30am Tuesday 23 Aug, 10:30am Tuesday 9 Sept, 10:30am RSVP to school required

Visit our school website for a virtual tour and more information https://kuringgai-h.schools.nsw.gov.au/



### Anything is possible.



### Ku-ring-gai High School

#### PROVIDING INNOVATIVE & SPECIALIST LEARNING SPACES

Set amongst 10.8 hectares of beautiful bushland adjoining the Ku-ring-gai Chase National Park, our students derive significant benefit from these natural, tranquil surroundings as they provide a relaxed atmosphere in which to learn and socialise. Our expansive grounds feature two full-sized soccer fields, a full-sized hockey field, tennis courts, and basketball courts. In 2020, we unveiled the refurbishment of 15 learning spaces across the school, including music and drama amphitheatres, the construction of a new multipurpose hall and an additional two performing arts learning spaces. This exciting project has delivered innovative learning environments for the next generation of young minds.

### OFFERING AN EXPANSIVE CURRICULUM

As a small secondary school we have the advantage of offering smaller classes and individual learning programs; whilst maintaining our ability to offer a wide range of HSC courses from VET Entertainment Industry to Physics. Further, our innovative Talent Enrichment Program allows our students, in Years 7 to 10, to develop their talents, skills and interests. The Talent Enrichment classes run for two hours, once a week. Students are encouraged to choose classes that will build on their existing capabilities and strengths.

### CONNECTING TO THE WORLD AROUND US

Ku-ring-gai High School offers a wide range of opportunities both in and outside the classroom that promotes a sense of connection to the world around us. Students are able to connect their learning with their lives outside of school through authentic learning experiences including Creative and Performing Arts opportunities such as Schools Spectacular, Leadership opportunities, and Community opportunities such as the NSW Rural Fire Service Secondary Schools Cadetship Program and the PCYC Fit to Learn Program.





### CREATING A SENSE OF BELONGING

Each year group at Ku-ring-gai High School follows a wellbeing program that aims to meet the personal and social needs of students and to enhance students overall wellbeing. We have a strong wellbeing structure to support our students; in addition to all school staff, we specifically have Year Advisers & Assistant Year Advisers. Head Teacher Year Groups, School Counsellors, Deputy Principal and Principal who are all invested and committed to ensuring all of our students have a sense of belonging at our school.

### FOSTERING A CREATIVE CULTURE

Students have the exciting opportunity to be involved in the long-standing culture of Creative and Performing Arts at Ku-ring-gai High School through our innovative Talent Enrichment Program, a wide range of arts-focused subjects in our curriculum and the use of our new facilities. Additionally, students enrolling in Year 7 can apply to be a part of the Northern Academy of the Arts Program; a scholarship program whereby students who demonstrate an exceptional talent in the Creative and Performing Arts are able to extend their expertise in their chosen field.

### THEIR SUCCESS IS OUR SUCCESS

With our small class sizes and strong wellbeing support network, our alumni community maintains a connection to staff and the school long after graduation. We value our students achievements and celebrate their success; for example Amelia Guan from the class of 2018 is currently a student at the New England Conservatory in Boston USA. Reece Propser from the class of 2017 is working as a performer at Disneyland Paris, and Geraldine Hakewill from the class of 2004 is an actress known for the lead role of Chelsea Babbage in the 2016 Australian drama series Wanted.

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