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UPCOMING EVENTS



SCHOOL

Wednesday DEC 13: Student Talent Quest
Friday DEC 15: Year 6 Clap Out
Monday, Tuesday DEC 18-19: Staff Development Days

2024 DATES

Tuesday JAN 30: Staff Development Day
Wednesday JAN 31: Staff Development Day
Thursday FEB 1: Student Year 1-6 return to school
Monday FEB 5: Kindy starts school
Friday APR 12: Last Day of Term 1



DANCE

JUNE 17-30 2024: Sydney North Dance Festival

SCHOOL CALENDAR LINK
TRIAL

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

"Just be yourself: there is no one better."

- Taylor Swift

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COVER: Luca R. and Gabby B. from Year 6 are filming interviews for the Year 6 Farewell dinner video.

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UNIFORM
SHOP



THEIR
CARE



FACEBOOK
LINK



MAKE A
PAYMENT



CANTEEN
ONLINE



PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

End of the Year!



Vicky Wallace
PRINCIPAL

Can you believe that we have reached the end of the school year for 2023?

Ongoing support

I'd like to take this time to thank our parents and carers for their ongoing support throughout the year. We are so lucky to have such a wonderful, close-knit community and it was so lovely to see so many special visitors attending our Presentation Day Assemblies.

Berowra staff

A huge thanks to all our BPS staff. The Executive Team, teachers and support staff have all worked tremendously hard throughout the year. We truly appreciate everything you do to support our students and to make BPS the wonderful place that it is. We wish the very special Mrs Bolger all the best for her long service leave and I have my fingers crossed that she will be returning to BPS.

Award winners

Well done to our students on a fantastic year

and congratulations to all our award winners who were recognised for their outstanding achievements on Presentation Day.

Farewell Year 6

Finally, I say farewell to our 2023 Year 6 students. We wish you all the best for your next chapter in high school. We hope you come back to visit us so we can hear about your journey.

Wishing our students, families and community a wonderful, safe and relaxing holiday period and we look forward to seeing you all in 2024.



FROM THE **P&C**

The 2023 calendar year has seen your P&C continue to make key contributions and provide support to the school community across the following areas: Canteen, Uniform Shop, Band and Fundraising.

Our volunteers and employees have again provided outstanding support and volunteered their time to help provide these services and initiatives to our fantastic teachers. I can't thank them enough but I would like to particularly thank outgoing Treasurer Deb Cook and Uniform Shop coordinator Mel Stalder.

Our monthly meetings are expanding in terms of attendance which means we have more volunteers to call upon. That's important as we have a fair to coordinate in 2024 which is one of our main fundraisers.

Please get involved.

Thanks to my amazing executive team and everyone who helped out in 2023.

A new mural and the resurfacing of the basketball court are two new improvements we will see shortly.

Happy Christmas and New Year to you all.

SIMON SPENCER
Berowra Public School
P&C PRESIDENT

More additions for the trophy cabinet!



We got back just before midnight last night from Tasmania and Evie is exhausted.

She had a wonderful time hanging out with friends from all over NSW whom she only ever gets to see at athletics competitions and also made some new ones.

Evie also managed to come home with some bling in every event she competed in: 3rd long jump, 3rd combined event and 1st in the medley relay.




**YEAR SIX
INTERVIEWS LAST
WEDNESDAY**



EATING TIME

2024



Break 1 Lunch Eating Time
11:20am-11:35am

Lunch Play Time 11:35am-
12:10pm

Break 2 Recess Eating time
1:55pm-2:05pm

Recess Play Time
2:05pm-2:20pm



Dear Parents,

This term we have trialled **EATING TIME CHANGES** where students play first and then eat.

We surveyed all K-6 students, teachers and parents, to find out what is going to be the best for our students.

All 3 groups agreed that **eating time should be first and then play second.**

Most students, teachers and parents are happy with 15 minutes for eating time at lunch and 10 minutes eating time at recess.

Most of our students want a longer play session at the first break when it is the cooler part of the day.

WE HAVE DECIDED THAT IN 2024:

Eating time will be first and then play time.

1st break will lunch (**15 minutes** supervised eating time) and 2nd break will be recess (**10 minutes** supervised eating time).

We will keep the longer play time (35 minutes) earlier in the day and a shorter play time (15 minutes) later in the day.

We thank the canteen, students and teachers for allowing the trail to go ahead and we thank the parents who provided us with feedback by filling in our survey. We had over 70 responses from parents with some very valid comments and suggestions, which is fantastic!

CLASS TEACHERS' SPELLING BEE

Last Wednesday December 6 Berowra had its famous Spelling Bee in the hall. Mrs Mitchell and Mrs Simmonds hosted the event, designed the questions and even made the winner's hat. Over the course of the competition Mr Leary, Mrs Fenton, Mrs Withford, Mr Parkinson

and Mrs Beckedahl were eliminated as the questions got harder and harder. We were finally left with just two competitors: Mrs Bolger and Mrs Tonkes, but Mrs Bolger emerged victorious.





BEROWRA PUBLIC SCHOOL

PRESENTATION DAY

TUESDAY DECEMBER 12 2023

K-6



AWARD WINNERS

AWARD	RECIPIENT
Dux	Chloe W.
Mills Family Citizenship K-2	Nivin V.
Mills Family Citizenship 3-6	Chase G.
Public Speaking Stage K-2	Emilia P.
K-2 Spelling Bee Champion	Cooper V.
Stage 2 Spelling Bee Champion	Noa G.
Stage 3 Spelling Bee Champion	Malek A. O.
Young Communicators Junior	Madeline B.
Young Communicators Senior	Beau D.
Year 6 Community Service	Jordan D.
Rotary Citizenship K-2	Grace S.
Rotary Citizenship 3-6	Seren D.
Outstanding Progress and Application Blackwood Family Trophy	Kyla B.
Matt Kean Visual Arts	Dana D.-R.
Julian Leeser Parliamentary Award	Darwyn F.
Choir Junior	Georgia C.
Choir Senior	Maria Y.
Dance Girls	Harper F.
Dance Boys	William S.
Band Perpetual Trophy	Ewan H.
Conductor's Award	Seren D.
Outstanding Achievement in Music	Noa G.
Swimming Senior Girls	Seren D.
Swimming Senior Boys	Tacean P.
Swimming 11 Years Girls	Liana F.
Swimming 11 Years Boys	Malakai H.
Swimming Junior Girls	Nya N.
Swimming Junior Boys	Jake R.
Cross Country Girl Champion	Stephanie S.
Cross Country Boy Champion	Benjamin C.
Athletics Senior Girls	Stephanie S.
Athletics Senior Boys	Tahj K.
Athletics 11 Years Girls	Luca R.
Athletics 11 Years Boys	Malakai H.
Athletics Junior Girls	Evie M.-M.
Athletics Junior Boys	Jasper C.
Sports Champion Parry Family Trophy	Evie M.-M.
Premier's Sporting Challenge Medal	Tahj K. and Stephanie S.
Swimming	Kangas
Cross Country	Emus
Athletics	Emus
Outgoing Captain	Sienna R.
Outgoing Captain	Skye B.
Outgoing Vice Captain	Benjamin C.
Outgoing Vice Captain	Robert P.



YEAR SIX MINI FETE







TALENT SHOW

Berowra students presented a huge variety of acts which featured a big element of audience participation. Comedy, drama, music and dance were fully on display today.



YEAR 5

Media TEAM

The Media Team have been out and about at lunchtime capturing the vibe of Berowra Public School from a unique perspective.



BPS MUSIC PROGRAM 2024

MUSIC.BPS.ORG.AU

Please visit our website for all details about the music groups including enrolment, instrument hire, rehearsal days & times, fees and much more!

TRAINING &
PERFORMANCE BANDS
YEARS 3-6



Check it
out!

RECORDER
ENSEMBLES
YEARS K-6



STRING
ENSEMBLE
YEARS K-6

BPS P&C Music Committee

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BAND ENROLMENT FOR 2024

We are excited to welcome new members to the School Band Program in 2024.

Instrument Demonstration Videos

are available to view on our enrolment website.

For full details about costs and to **ENROL** in the Band Program:

www.myschoolband.com.au/enrol



Visit the link or Scan the QR Code to ENROL
and view Band Instrument Demonstration Videos

BAND ENROLMENTS ARE NOW OPEN

For students who will be in Years 3 – 6 in 2024

Key Music Australia
Managing Director: Matt Dalziel
office@keymusicaustralia.com.au

ENROL NOW FOR KINDERGARTEN 2024

ENROL NOW



Dates for 2024

TERM 1

Tuesday 30 January 2024	Staff Development Day
Wednesday 31 January 2024	Staff Development Day
Thursday 1 February 2024	Students Years 1 - 6 return to school
Monday 5 February 2024	Kindy starts
Friday 12 April 2024	Last Day of Term 1

TERM 2

Monday 29 April 2024	Staff Development Day
Tuesday 30 April 2024	Students return
Friday 5 July 2024	Last Day of Term 2

TERM 3

Monday 22 July 2024	Staff Development Day
Tuesday 23 July 2024	Students return
Friday 27 September 2024	Last Day of Term 3

TERM 4

Monday 14 October 2024	Students return
Wednesday 18 December 2024	Last day of Term 4 for students



WINTER COMP REGISTRATION 2024

Opening soon.....Mid December

Register by 22nd Jan for a chance to WIN the cost of your registration

<https://www.berowranc.nsw.communitynetball.com.au>

Get in early!



SCHOOL UNIFORM

In preparation for the 2024 school year we would like to remind families of the correct school uniform for all students. This uniform was designed by Berowra Public School students, promotes a sense of belonging and creates a positive identify for the school community.

Girls Summer Uniform

Purple polo shirt with school logo

Completely black Skort/shorts

White ankle socks

Completely black school shoes

Black polo fleece jacket

Wide brimmed school hat

Boys Summer Uniform

Purple polo shirt with school logo

Completely black shorts

White ankle socks

Completely black school shoes

Black polo fleece jacket

Wide brimmed school hat

Sports Uniform

House colour polo shirt

Black shorts/skort/trackpants

White ankle socks and trackshoes

Wide brimmed school hat



School logo only on clothing, socks and hats, no other logos should be seen.

Shorts must be of an appropriate length. Bike shorts and short shorts are not appropriate.



Blocker shorts

\$25.00



Girls black skort

\$25.00



Sports Skort

\$18.00



Sports shorts

\$19.00

Uniform shop link

<https://uniformshop.bps.org.au/>

Please also be aware of the following;

- nail polish, bracelets, necklaces, rings and earrings (other than studs or sleepers) are not permitted to be worn at school.
- Watches can be worn and in the case of Smart Watches, must be on school mode, as per the mobile phone policy.
- Hair that touches the shoulder must be pulled back. Small hair accessories are permitted in the school colours of purple, yellow and black.

Berowra

Public School

ARE PROUDLY SUPPORTING
**THE APEX & SALVATION ARMY
CHRISTMAS TOY DRIVE 2023.**

WE'RE ACCEPTING DONATIONS OF ANY
NEW GIFTS FOR KIDS OF ALL AGES.

PLEASE GIVE COME IN AND
LEAVE A GIFT FOR SOMEONE
LESS FORTUNATE
THIS CHRISTMAS.

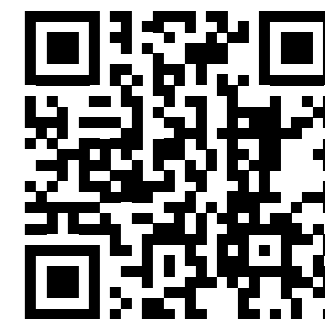


PLAY AFL!



Register now for 2024 season at
hornsbyberowraeagles.com

- Boys & Girls Teams for 9 - 17 year olds
- Auskick (skills & activities based) for 4 - 8 year olds
- Club based at Rofe Park, Hornsby Heights
- **SEASON FEES:**
 - Auskick – **Early bird \$99** and then \$109 from 1st Feb
 - Junior Boys – **Early bird \$230** and then \$250 from 1st Feb
 - Junior Girls – **Early bird \$175** and then \$200 from 1st Feb
- Qualified coaches
- Sunday Games
- **ALL SKILL AND ABILITY LEVELS WELCOME!**



ACTIVE KIDS vouchers accepted

Full registration info at **hornsbyberowraeagles.com**

Help our students develop skills for life

**What does it
mean to be
brave? Is it ever
okay to break a
promise?**



We don't have the answers to those questions. In an ethics class, the children form their own views through respectful discussion with their classmates, guided by our trained volunteers.

Ethics classes support children in developing the life skills they need to consider other points of view and make decisions based on evidence and reasoning rather than habit or peer pressure.

Lessons are facilitated by impartial ethics teachers who are trained to deliver our Department of Education-approved curriculum. Comprehensive, free training and lesson plans are provided for you.

Classes run for 30 mins at the same time as scripture each week.

**Volunteers are needed now to teach ethics at
Berowra Public School.**

Contact Kirsty at kirsty.liddell@gmail.com