



THE BREEZE

'Ganandhimila-nj - we learn'

Week 4
Term 3

13 August 2025

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

EDUCATION WEEK – IGNITE YOUR POTENTIAL

This year's Education Week theme, Ignite Your Potential, inspired our students to dream big and explore the exciting possibilities that lie ahead. Throughout the week, students shared their dreams and aspirations, created wonderful drawings of their future selves, and reflected on what they enjoy most at school and the subjects they love.

On Wednesday, our Open Classrooms were a highlight, with families joining students to share in their learning. Classrooms were buzzing with energy, curiosity, and the joy of learning together.

The week finished on a high note with our much-anticipated "Dress as Your Future Self" Day. Our school was filled with vets, paramedics, marine biologists, pet sitters, baristas, and a whole field's worth of professional sports women and men! The creativity, enthusiasm, and pride shown by our students were truly inspiring.

A sincere thank you goes to our families for your ongoing support in making weeks like these so memorable. With such ambition, passion, and imagination, there's no doubt our students have bright and exciting futures ahead.

Thank you to Mrs Kirk and Mrs Smith for your organisation of the week's events.

NATIONAL AFL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Congratulations to Bella, who has just represented NSW in the Under-12 Australian Football championships. Over the 7 days, NSW won 5 of their 6 games, losing only to Victoria. In what essentially became the silver and bronze medal game on Saturday, NSW beat WA by 2 points. This placed Bella's team second, taking out the silver medal. I was really pleased to hear from Bella's coach, who let me know that she was one of NSW's best players and that she had a fantastic week. Congratulations, Bella, we are incredibly proud.



GIRLS RUGBY LEAGUE TRIALS

Well done to Winnie and Kymarni, who represented the Far South Coast at the South Coast Rugby League trials in Ulladulla last week. Both girls said that they really enjoyed the experience of playing with and against some talented girls.

STAGE 2 EXTENSION AND ENRICHMENT PROGRAMS

Well done to our students who were selected to participate in our Stage 2 extension and enrichment activities run by the Bournda Environmental Education Centre.

Kelsea, Grace, Milah and Issy attended the Stage 2 Science and Art program, "Project Penguin". In this workshop students combined engaging art activities into a science learning experience about the sustainability of marine ecology, focusing on a local project to re-establish the little penguin colony in Eden.

Luther, Rumi, Emma-Ivy and Rachel attended "Walking on, and Creating with, Bagan (country)". Students learnt about 3 native trees, their cultural uses and Djiringanj language names. They walked to a special site and listened to a sacred Dreaming story. Students also used natural resources for an art activity at the completion of the walk.

It's fantastic to provide these opportunities for our students to engage in these programs, which offer a unique and enriching experience that greatly enhances their educational development.

INDOOR SPORTS STADIUM OPENING

I was very pleased to take our school's ministers down to the Opening of the stadium after its recent renovations. It was great to see our students not only shoot some hoops with Minister Kristy McBain and Mayor Russell Fitzpatrick, but also engage in conversations with community members who were in attendance. Our ministers did a fantastic job representing our school.

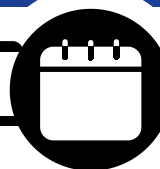
YEAR 1 PHONICS SCREEN CHECK

All Year 1 students in NSW department schools need to complete the Phonics Screening Check during Weeks 4-6 of this term. Class teachers will be conducting this assessment over the next few weeks. The Year 1 Phonics Screening Check is a brief assessment that informs teachers of students' progress in phonics. They analyse the results and, if necessary, plan for any additional support that students might require by targeting teaching aligned with the NSW English syllabus outcomes. The check complements existing strategies to identify students' progress in developing foundational literacy skills. It is carefully designed to minimise stress for students. More information can be found at this link: [Year 1 Phonics Screening Check | NSW Department of Education](#)

BERMI TO THE BAY LEARNING COMMUNITY

Today I have been attending Moruya High School with our school's Prime Minister, Alice and Minister Hollie. We have been with both Primary and High School leaders from all the schools from Bermagui PS in the south up to Batemans Bay PS in the north. The agenda aims to connect our school leaders with others, to help inspire and make a difference as a school leader and learn to lead other students. I look forward to sharing the experience our leaders have had in our next school newsletter.

WHAT'S ON



TERM 3

19 August	Stage 2 Bournda 'Digital Forests' (selected students)
20 August	Awards Assembly @ 9.30am
26 August	Stage 2 Bournda 'Discover the world of birds at Panboola' (selected students)
9 September	School Concert Matinee 12.30-2.00pm & Evening 6.30-8.00pm
10 September	School Concert Evening 6.30-8.00pm
15 September	Kinder - Year 2 Zoomobile and Bournda Biodiversity Program
18 - 19 September	Year 6 The Crossing Excursion
24 September	Awards Assembly @ 9.30am
26 September	Last Day of Term 3

TERM 4

14 October	First day of Term 4 Students
22-24 October	Stage 3 Jindabyne Excursion
10 December	Presentation Day
11 December	Year 6 Farewell
19 December	Last day of Term 4



Parent App

Get real time push notifications from your school

Stay signed in and save your card for secure payments for fees and excursions

Give consent, sign forms and respond to attendance alerts

View the school calendar and news



At school, students have 2 weeks focused on their attendance. They have goals to meet as a class around attending but also explaining their absence if they are sick.

- Are unwell or injured
- Have an infectious or contagious illness
- Have a medical appointment that can't be scheduled outside school hours
- Are attending a significant family emergency or bereavement
- Are participating in a recognised religious or cultural event

Our first Term 3 Awards Assembly will be on Wednesday, 20th August at 9:30 am in the hall. Families of those students who will be receiving an award will receive an invitation on Friday. I look forward to this special occasion.



ATTENDANCE SPRINTS!

WEEK 4 & 5




**An Attendance Sprint will be happening soon!
We're challenging every student to be at school every day,
unless they have one of the following reasons:**

- ✓ Are unwell or injured
- ✓ Have an infectious or contagious illness
- ✓ Have a medical appointment that can't be scheduled outside school hours
- ✓ Are attending a significant family emergency or bereavement
- ✓ Are participating in a recognised religious or cultural event

☎ **If your child is away, please notify the school as soon as possible with the reason**

WHY?

Because every day matters !

For learning, friendships,

and future success

Help us make these two weeks count:

Encourage your child to attend every day

Reach out if you need support – we're here to help!

Every day counts ...

let's sprint to success together!

DID YOU KNOW THAT...

Missing just one day a fortnight can add up to a whole month of learning lost over the year!



KINDERGARTEN 2026

ENROLMENTS NOW BEING TAKEN

BERMAGUI PUBLIC SCHOOL
STUDENTS ARE:

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Confident and creative individuals
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Kindergarten students will explore these sounds and their most common corresponding letters.

ch for ch

sh for  sh

th for th

th for  th

Over the next two weeks, students in Years 1 to 6 will focus on the sounds and their corresponding letters below.

 s ss se ce x c

 ir ur or er

CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS	
CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR AWARD WINNERS	
KRV bardju-waraga Footprints 	1/2CS dharrani-waraga Spotted Gums 
Julianne Taj Sidney TJ Violet Kamryn	Riley Bindi Hayden Parker H Ella Del
1/2S galungara-waraga Lillipillies 	3/4LK bidhu Mountain 
Bridget Fox William M Parker M Macie Indie H	Kallum Piper Levi Sadie Leyton Willow W
3/4S barra barra Sea 	5/6C maaran-waraga Seagulls 
Semaj Emma-Ivy Iona Grace Milah	Isaac Angel Lakyn Ngubbra Sienna Hunter
5/6OE gunjung Black Swan 	 STEM & MUSIC 
Radja Will S Summer Milly Paul Charlotte	Indie H Indi G Del Jesse Sailor Hollie Lily H Sienna














POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING

PBL AWARD WINNERS
 CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR PBL WINNERS



Week 2
 Talia, Ace-Maloo, Koa, Parker M, Lucas, Arlo S, James B, Semaj, Patrick, Logan, Hayden, Indie H, Ella, Isabel, Iggy, Kelsea, Fox



Week 3
 Indi A, Lakyn, Isaac, August, Chelsea, Ngubbra, Ivy D, Cameron, Piper, Harry, Bindi, Aria, Macie






SCHOOL

ALL
WELCOME

TICKETS \$10

VARIETY

CONCERT



TUESDAY, 9 SEPTEMBER

12.30PM & 6.30PM

WEDNESDAY, 10 SEPTEMBER

6.30PM

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

- NO food, drink or cameras in the school hall
- Seating is limited. Please be seated at least 5 minutes earlier than times listed
- There will be space provided at the matinee only for prams
- Local pre-schoolers and staff have been invited to attend the matinee on Tuesday
- No parking is available on school grounds. Elderly access via Henry Lane. For disabled parking, please contact the school

- To assist with costs \$10 per ticket available from the Office from Thursday, 31 July
- Students can be collected from their rooms at the conclusion of the concert
- The concert will go for approximately 75 minutes
- All families will be provided with a USB of the concert
- Tickets are to be pre-purchased. Tickets will only be sold at the door after everyone with tickets have been seated

We love our concert! It develops so many social and learning skills and it is FUN. Many thanks to all staff for the extra time put into the concert.

PURCHASING YOUR TICKET

Tickets can be purchased online through the School Bytes App or Portal and at the school office paying with cash or EFTPOS.

SCHOOL VARIETY CONCERT



TICKETS ON SALE NOW

PURCHASING TICKETS PARENT / CARERS

Tickets can be purchased online using the School Bytes App, School Bytes Portal or at the school office paying with cash or EFTPOS.



PURCHASING TICKETS THROUGH THE SCHOOL BYTES PARENT PORTAL / APP

1. Log in to your 'Parent Portal' using the School Bytes Parent App or by visiting: <https://portal.schoolbytes.education>
2. Go to Statement of account / Payments
3. Click on the + (add other item) button
4. Category Concert Tickets
5. Select the tickets and quantities you require
6. Add items
7. Pay Now / Process Payment



School Bytes

WANTED. Volunteer Reading Tutors

During term Monday - Thursday volunteer tutors help selected students with their reading. Each volunteer works one morning per week from 9.30-11 am. We deliver the Macquarie Uni MultiLit program designed to assist students improve their reading and literacy skills. MultiLit has now run at Bermi School for more than 15 years. Each year we marvel to see students graduate from the program as much more confident readers. It's very rewarding! We are now recruiting one or two new volunteers. All you need is a love of reading, ONE morning per week from 9.30-11 am and a Working With Children Check. Training is provided.

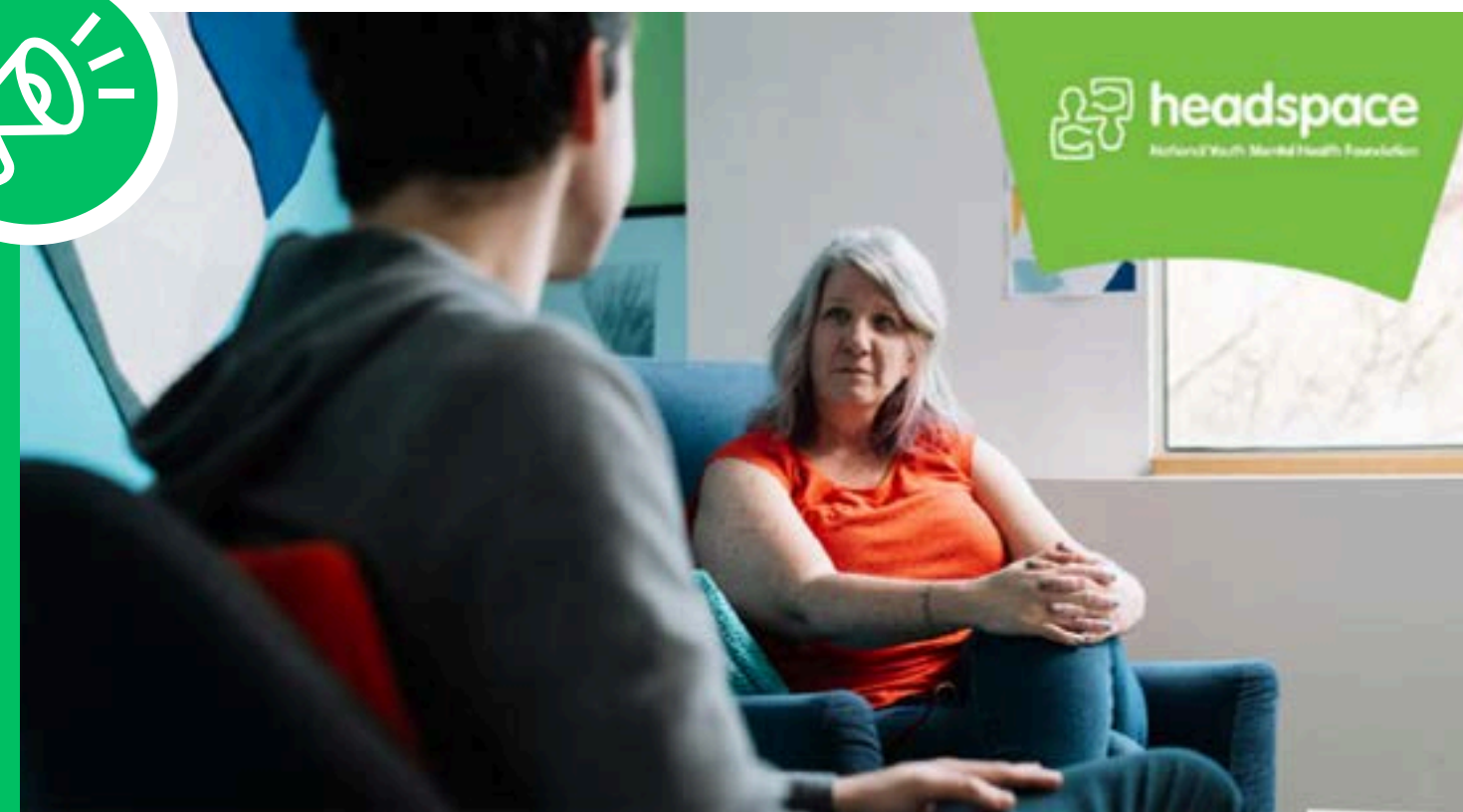
CONTACT Helen McFarlane 0434 512 233



MultiLit

**VOLUNTEERS
NEEDED**

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS



headspace South Coast NSW Parent / Carer webinar: supporting young people impacted by grief and loss

headspace National are hosting a free online mental health education webinar focussed on help seeking and support. This session is for adults who are parents and carers of children and young people who have recently experienced loss.

The session aims to:

- Provide information regarding young people's mental health
- Explore the conversational approach to talking to your young person about grief and loss
- Build awareness of local, state and national support services available to young people and carers
- Introduce you to headspace Bega, Batemans Bay, Moruya and Narooma and the range of mental health services and support they offer
- Grow skills and strategies to encourage help-seeking and self care

headspace National Youth Mental Health Foundation is funded by the Australian Government Department of Health and Aged Care

When:

Monday 18 August 2025
5.00 - 6.00 pm AEST

Where:

Online via Zoom

How do I register?

[Click here](#) to register via Eventbrite or scan the QR code below.



All those who register will receive a digital information pack after the session that includes key messages as well as links to resources and support services.

Contact:

For more information email:
programsupport@headspace.org.au

P&C NEWS



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Volunteers needed in the canteen on Wednesdays or Fridays between 9:30-11:30am and are interested in helping Bec in the Canteen, please contact either Bec on 0435876332 or Jo 0424 644 035. It's very easy, lots of laughs and you'll receive a \$5 canteen voucher for your time. No previous experience is necessary.



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FREE LEGAL APPOINTMENTS IN **COBARGO**



Date

Thursday, 21st August 2025



Time

From 9:30am - 11:30am



Location

Cobargo CWA Cottage

5 Cobargo-Bermagui Road, Cobargo NSW 2550

Appointments are necessary.

Please call our office on 1800 229 529 to schedule your appointment (available by phone or in person).

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yourself or
have a child
at school, or
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year



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