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UPCOMING EVENTS



SCHOOL

Wednesday MAR 6: Canteen Ice Cream Day

Tuesday MAR 12: Harmony Day

Wednesday MAR 27: Hat parade

Thursday APR 4: Term 1 Dance Concert



SPORT

Wednesday MAR 6: Junior Girls Skellern Cup

Thursday MAR 7: Senior Girls Skellern Cup



EXCURSION

Wednesday MAR 20: Stage 1 excursion to Gibberagong



DANCE

JUNE 17-30 2024: Sydney North Dance Festival

SCHOOL CALENDAR LINK
TRIAL

[LINK](#)

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

"Anyone who has never made a mistake has never tried anything new."

- Albert Einstein

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COVER: We are forming a Year 5 Media Team again this year where students learn all aspects of film production.

QUICK LINKS

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THEIR
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FACEBOOK
LINK



MAKE A
PAYMENT



CANTEEN
ONLINE



PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Carnival Glory



Vicky Wallace
PRINCIPAL

Well done to all our students who competed in our swimming carnival on Monday. We had perfect weather for the day. Congratulations to those who made it to zone. I know you will do us proud as you represent BPS. A huge thanks to Mr Griffin for all his organisation, to the teachers for their supervision and the office staff for organising the buses and notes. Also a huge thanks to our amazing parent helpers Ashlie Robinson, Karen Nicolson, Deb Cook, Nerrida Cooper and Wayne Bingham for his expertise as timekeeper.

Instructional Rounds

This week BPS hosted the Instructional Rounds Network on Tuesday and Wednesday. We had visiting principals, executive and teachers from John Purchase PS, Oakhill Drive PS and Dennistone East PS. The Instructional Rounds Network conducted 9 classroom observations across the school focusing on our Problem of Practice, which is:

Are our mathematics lessons rigorous?

Are questions promoting understanding and reasoning?

How is feedback moving the learning forward?

The findings and recommendations from

IR will help guide our future teacher professional learning to help improve student outcomes across the whole school.

Every Day Matters

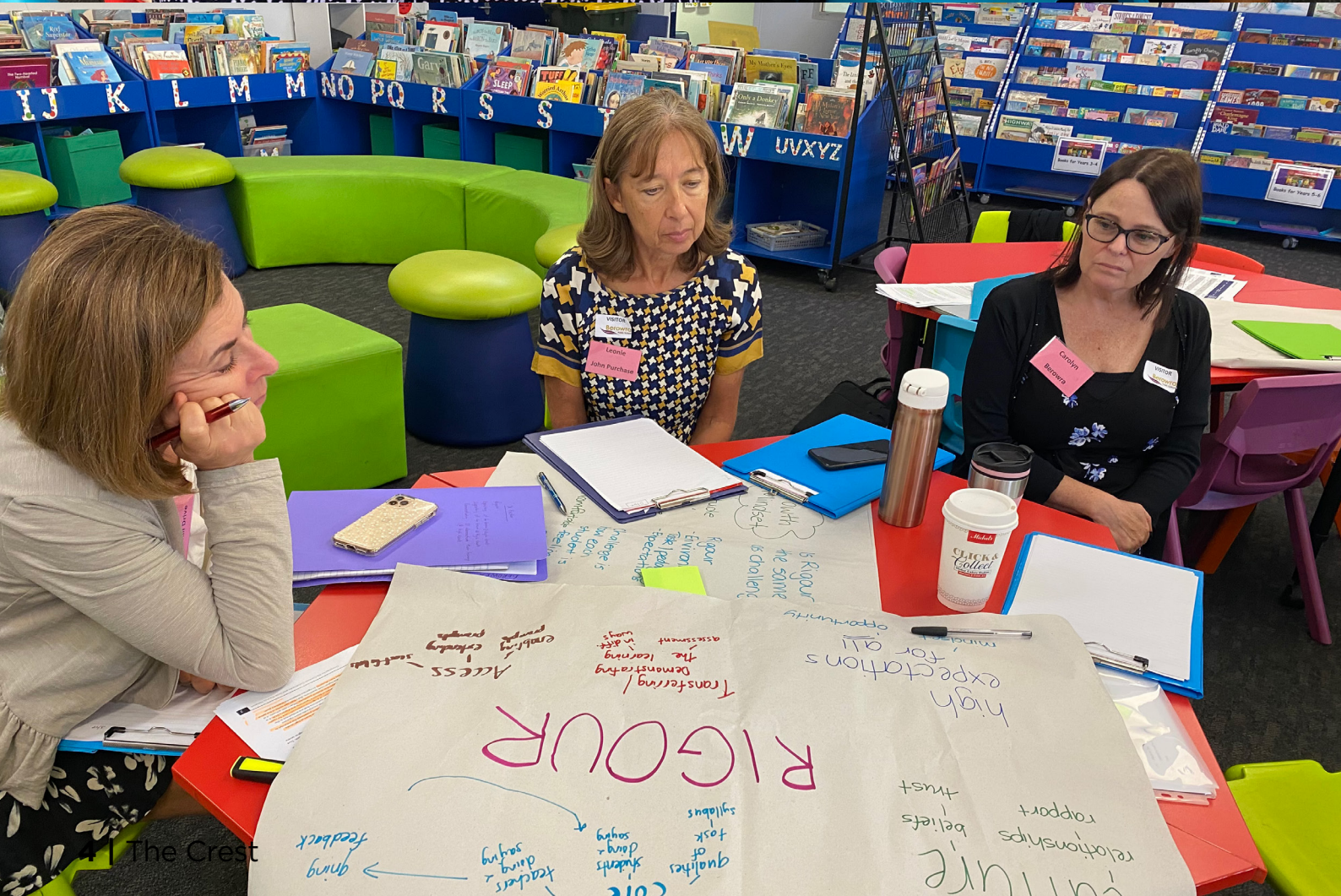
This term the DoE has launched the Every Day Matters campaign to promote the benefits of regular school attendance and earlier this week you would have received correspondence regarding the benefits of regular school attendance. We thank our parents for their support with attendance. Last week BPS received positive recognition from the Director of Education that our weekly average daily attendance was above 92%, which is a fantastic start to the year.

Maternity Leave

As you are aware, this Friday 1 March will be my last day as I will be taking maternity leave for the remainder of the year. I send out a heartfelt thanks to the staff, students, parents and P&C for all the well wishes. I am looking forward to the arrival of a baby boy and will share a photo when he arrives.

I know the school will be well looked after with Carolyn Stephens stepping in to the principal role and I know our community will welcome her with open arms.

Best wishes for the remainder of 2024 and I'll see you all in 2025.





BEROWRA PUBLIC SCHOOL MEDIA TEAM

We are currently forming a new Media Team for 2024. Everyone in Year 5 is eligible to join. The Media Team meets every Wednesday at lunch. Together we document the life of our school through photography and video and celebrate our school's achievements

COMMITMENT

The Media Team will run for the whole year. We meet at lunchtime on Wednesdays every week and you will need to attend every meeting if possible. At major events such as the sports carnivals you will be asked to capture photos and video footage for our website and newsletter.

PRODUCTION VALUES

You will learn how to create high quality video projects and productions. This means using professional lighting and microphones to make your video projects look and sound professional.

TV NEWS PACKAGE

You will learn how to design and edit a complete news package using iMovie and your iPads following a template. You will also have a chance to

document how you learn in class and make videos about important issues you feel strongly about.

BADGE

All Media Team members will receive an official BPS Media Team badge that you will wear with pride.

PBL updates

Membership of the Media Team is an important leadership role. The school is entrusting in you to show our school in a positive light. One very important responsibility of the Media Team is to create videos to change or reinforce positive attitudes and behaviour through PBL videos on various topics.



BEROWRA PUBLIC SCHOOL MEDIA TEAM AUDITION

Year 5 students who are interested in joining must submit an **audition video**.

TASK: Media Team audition video

Students must make a short video. There are 3 options.

1. Prepare a short video presentation on why you should be selected: what special skills and qualities do you have?

OR

2. Prepare a video demonstrating your camera/editing/interviewing/writing/research skills on a topic of your choice.

OR

3. "The Day that Changed My Life". Make a dramatic video about a day you'll never forget.

Videos should run for no more than 30-60 seconds. Students must prepare this video presentation in their own time, not class time.

DATE DUE: Wednesday 13 March.

Please bring your video to school on a thumb drive (clearly labeled with your name and class) and hand it to your teacher or Mr Rutherford in the library.



GARDEN CLUB

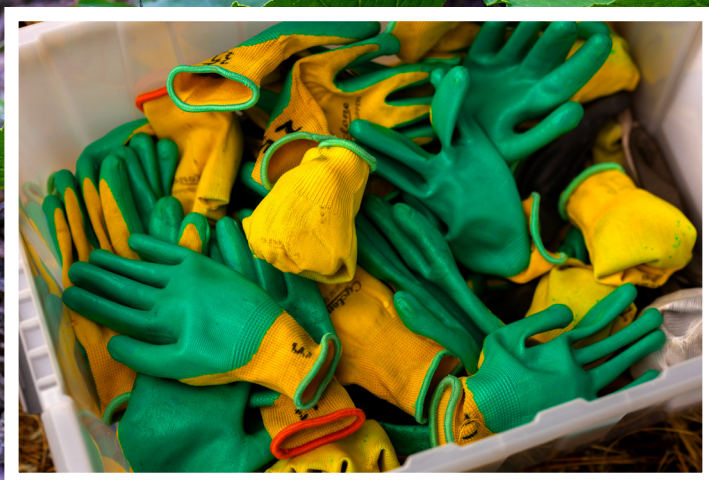
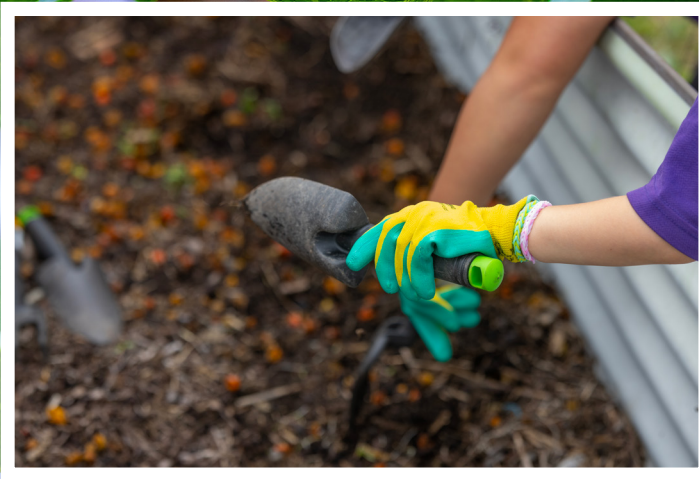
MEETING EVERY WEEK AT LUNCH SECOND HALF

PETER LEARY
Berowra Public School
TEACHER

Garden Club is up and running every Wednesday during the 2nd half of lunch.

The students have been having a lot of fun and working hard prepping the garden beds by harvesting older crops, pulling out weeds and turning over the soil for the planting of new crops for the term and new season (Autumn).







BEROWRA PUBLIC SCHOOL

SWIMMING CAPTAINS

HORNSBY AQUATIC AND LEISURE CENTRE



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



BEROWRA PUBLIC SCHOOL

MERIT AWARDS

CLASS KF

CLARA W.
MILA P.
JACOB M.
REUBEN F.

CLASS KT

MEHTAB P.
PIA M.

CLASS 1/2K

TO
BE
ANNOUNCED

CLASS 1/2L

OLIVIA OC.
TOM H.
ZADIE G.
FRANKIE B.

CLASS 1/2S

MILES B.
IVY A.
JACKSON C.
EVELYN C.

CLASS 3/4L

TO
BE
ANNOUNCED

CLASS 3/4B

JACK I,
SOFIA S,
COOPER V,
ELLIANA W,
SIENNA V,
SOPHIA C-F

CLASS 3/4P

JESSE W.
CHARLOTTE F.
CARTA N-L,
CHARLIE C.
JACK B.

CLASS 5/6A

NOAH U.
MALAKAI H.
NYA B.
CHARLI M.
LEVI F.
CHARLOTTE B.

CLASS 5/6R

TIA V.
GRACE W.
HUSSEIN D.
EMMA P.
OLLIE F.
CHARLIE S.

CLASS 5/6G

LIAM R.
RYAN O.
CHARLIE E.
SAM S-S.
SOPHIE C.
AGGIE D.

BPS Easter Raffle

**HAMPER PRIZES +
GUESSING COMPETITIONS!**

Donations of EASTER
TREATS (chocolate,
soft toys, craft etc.) to
the office by Friday
22nd March

TICKETS \$1 EACH

ON SALE from Wednesday 13th
March until Easter Hat Parade

Purchase tickets online via
Flexischools OR in person
before or after school near
Theircare

*Winners announced at the
Easter Hat Parade on 27th March*

BPS Music Committee

Berowra Public School

Hat Parade

please come and join us in celebrating



Easter

Dear families and friends,

Come and celebrate **Easter** at Berowra Public School. There will be a hat parade, music by our school band, recorder and string groups, an Easter raffle and morning tea to purchase. It's time to start getting crafty at home, creating your wonderful hats for the parade. Students should wear their school uniform and bring their special hats.

When: 10:15 - 12:10 Wednesday 27th March, 2024

Where: The school hall

Hot Cross buns available for purchase from the canteen from 11:20-12:10



BPS MUSIC COMMITTEE

BAND UPDATE

Last year our new conductor Matt Dalziel from Key Music Australia took our Performance and Training Bands to new heights, providing amazing performance opportunities for our students over the year including the Asquith Musicales, NSSWE Spring Music Festival in Chatswood, Berowra Woodchop, Carols Under the Star and our inaugural End of Year Music Concert. You will also get to see them perform at the Easter Hat Parade this year! Key Music Australia is a successful well-known local

band management company and works with 8 other local primary schools including Asquith, Mt Colah, Hornsby South and West Pymble.

There's still time to join our school Training Band. Rehearsals are due to start later this term on Wednesday mornings in the school hall. See the music website for further information and registration. If you join our Training Band, there will be an option to have private music lessons on school grounds, just select this option when you

enrol and Key Music will provide more information.

www.music.bps.org.au/training-band
www.myschooband.com.au/enrol

If you have already been learning a musical instrument for over a year, talk to us about joining the Performance Band. The Performance Band rehearse on Monday mornings in the school hall. Easter Raffle coming up!

The Easter Raffle is run by the Music Committee every year to raise funds towards purchasing shared supplies for the school. The raffle will be drawn on Wednesday 27th March at the Easter Hat Parade and tickets will be on sale from Wednesday 13th March until the morning of the parade.

BPS BAND PRACTICE

PERFORMANCE BAND
monday 8-9am

TRAINING BAND
wednesday 8-9am

Respect in 5/6R

Self	- Stand up for yourself. - Be who you want to be, think positively about yourself and trust your instincts. - Have a growth mindset - know your strengths and set achievable goals.
Others	- Talk positively to and about others. - Pay attention to others and really listen. - Give others the time, space and quiet they need to learn.
Community	- Be responsible for your belongings and classroom equipment. - Be aware of your environment - notice others, take care of them and offer help. - Have school spirit - represent the school proudly and give everything a go.

Everyone - Everywhere - Everytime

Respect in KF & KT

Self	Give Me Five for Good Listening Try my best  
Others and Community	Use kind words and kind hands   Kind Actions by keeping hands, feet, body and things to yourself 

Everyone - Everywhere - Everytime

OPERATION ART



Operation Art is an initiative of the Children's Hospital at Westmead in association with the NSW Department of Education. Students are invited to create their own artwork and send this in to Mrs Lukic or the school office with the entry form by Friday 10th May. Artworks can be up to A2 (420mm x 594mm) in size and up to 5mm thick. Each school may select only 2 artworks to enter the competition.

All artwork entries received by schools this year will be exhibited in galleries across NSW in 2025, according to the regions where the students' schools are located.

This will provide easier access for schools and families, enabling more of our students to see their work on display.

As always, a team of judges will select 50 artworks to be gifted to the Children's Hospital at Westmead and these works will continue to be displayed at the Art Gallery of NSW annually, as well as being displayed in their local gallery in the larger exhibitions.

This is a fantastic opportunity for our talented artists. Don't forget to send in the entry form with your artwork. We look forward to receiving your artwork entries by the due date - Friday 10th May for display in a gallery near you in 2025!





Artwork release form – 2024/2025

A separate form is required for EACH student. Please return the completed form to the school to be submitted with the artwork.

Operation Art is an initiative of The Children's Hospital at Westmead in association with the NSW Department of Education.

The Children's Hospital at Westmead strives to remove the anxiety for both parents and children during hospitalisation by developing an extensive collection of children's artworks to stimulate the healing and recovery process.

- I agree to the participation of my child in Operation Art. Artworks to be exhibited in 2025.
- I agree that, if selected, the original artwork becomes part of the permanent collection of The Children's Hospital at Westmead and/or of Operation ArtBank for gifts to country and overseas hospitals. I understand that the works selected for the Children's Hospital at Westmead will be exhibited at Sydney Children's Hospital Randwick and SpecFest Exhibition at Qudos Bank Arena.
- I understand that at the completion of the exhibition if not selected, the framed work will be sent back to the school. The ownership of the work will be decided between the school and student's family.
- I authorise the NSW Department of Education and/or The Children's Hospital at Westmead to use, copy or adapt any photograph, film or video recording of my child's artwork or portrait image and I understand that these images may be used for teaching resources and other publications including the Operation Art and/or The Children's Hospital at Westmead websites on the internet.
- I also agree that, if not selected for Operation ArtBank, the artwork may be submitted for consideration for other Visual Arts activities supported by the NSW Department of Education such as international art exchanges with Japan, USA, etc. Schools and students will be advised if any works are selected for such activities.

Privacy Notice

The information provided on the Student Entry Form and General Release form is being obtained for the Operation Art 2024/2025 project. It will be used by the NSW Department of Education, The Children's Hospital at Westmead, and galleries for postage of invitations, catalogues, certificates, name tags, wall plaques, for publicity purposes and for corresponding with participating schools, parents and students. Provision of this information is voluntary. It will be stored securely.

If sufficient student identification is not provided the artwork may not be accepted for exhibition. You may correct any personal information by contacting the Op Art Coordinator on (02) 8512 1195.

School _____

Student name _____ School year _____

Student address _____

Parent/caregiver name _____

Parent/caregiver phone number _____ Parent/caregiver email _____

Parent/caregiver signature and date _____



Berowra Lions Club

BRICK FAIR

**Proceeds to Lions Childhood
Cancer Research, CaringKids
and other Lions projects**



Sunday 3rd March 2024

10.30am - 4.00pm



Berowra Community Centre

The Gully Road, Berowra

**Come and explore exhibits
from some of Sydney's best
master builders**

Displays of LEGO® - Retail - Food and drinks

Adults: \$10.00

Children: \$5.00*

Children under 5 years FREE!

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***5 -16 years**





This fortnight's Smiling Mind focus is **Attention**

At Home Activities

K-2

The more you practise belly breathing the more you will train your brain and your body to learn how to calm down and focus. Identify three times when you will use this breathing exercise over the next week, and note how you feel before and after. For example, if you are having trouble sleeping or if something at school is bothering you.

Stage 2

For this activity you will need to find a leaf. When you have found one, find a quiet space and, while you are standing up, hold it up in front of your face. Take a deep slow breath and blow slowly out onto the leaf. Notice how it moves gently with your breath. Continue this for ten deep, slow breaths and notice any changes. After you have done this activity take a moment to write down what you noticed. What happened when you blew softly? What happened when you blew a bit harder?

Stage 3

Has there been a time when you noticed that you were distracted and were able to bring your attention back to the task you were working on? Write about this experience. Where did your mind wander to when you were distracted? What did it feel like when you brought your attention back? Remember that we can always choose when to focus our attention and it is a skill we can get better at through practice.

[Smiling Mind website](https://www.smilingmind.com.au)

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



HARMONY DAY 21 MARCH

We will be celebrating Harmony Day on

TUESDAY 12TH MARCH.

We encourage students to wear their school uniform with something orange (ribbon, socks, wristband etc).

The students will be participating in activities with their buddy classes during the day to help promote inclusivity and respect.



Every Day Matters



When it comes to attending school, every day matters

If your child misses as little as **1 day per fortnight**, they will miss **4 weeks of school per year**, which adds up to over **1 year missed over their school life**.



Scan the QR code to learn more

Make sure your child doesn't miss out on the important things like:



Learning



Strengthening friendships



Build skills through fun

Exceptional Learning Opportunities for Boys



OPEN NIGHT

Monday 11 March 2024

4-6pm

- Ask questions of our Principal, School Executive, Staff and Student Leaders.
- Experience a taste of all that Asquith Boys High School has to offer.
- Learn about the wide range of extra-curricular and additional programs available to our students.

REGISTER TO ATTEND

To attend this event please register by emailing asquithboy-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au your name, contact details & number attending.

ENRICHMENT CLASS

Year 7 2025

APPLY NOW

Asquith Boys High School is offering places in their 2025 Year 7 Enrichment Class.

The Enrichment Class caters for students who are talented in literacy and numeracy, providing challenging extension opportunities that include creative and critical thinking.

Applications are now open. For an application package please go to the school website www.asquithboy_h.schools.nsw.gov.au



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