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CREST

TERM 3 WEEK 8

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SEPTEMBER 11, 2024



UPCOMING EVENTS



SCHOOL

Thursday SEP 19: State Dance Festival - Girls

Friday SEP 20: State Dance Festival - Boys



SPORT

Thursday SEP 12: Book Fair and Book Parade



EXCURSION



P&C

SCHOOL CALENDAR LINK

[LINK](#)

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

“Even the smallest person can change the course of the future.”

- J.R.R.Tolkien

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COVER: The students will love the Scholastic Book Fair on Thursday.

QUICK LINKS

OUR
WEBSITE



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THEIR
CARE



FACEBOOK
LINK



SCHOOL
BYTES



CANTEEN
ONLINE



PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Misc in the air



Carolyn Stephens

PRINCIPAL (Rel.)

Improving Communication on Student Attendance

We are currently addressing the issue of unexplained student absences and are making improvements to our communication systems. Starting in Term 4, we will introduce a streamlined process where parents/carers will receive a text message if their child is absent. You will be able to respond directly with the reason for the absence, and a follow-up reminder will be sent if no response is received after a few days.

Further details on how to use this system will be shared soon. In the meantime, we aim to reduce unexplained absences to zero. If you receive a paper copy asking for an explanation of student absence, can you assist us in our aim by returning the slip promptly to the class teacher. Congratulations to KT and 56R, who currently have no unexplained absences. By working together, we can ensure that all absences are explained within 7 days, as required by the NSW Education Act.

Public Speaking Competitions

It was a pleasure to be the judge at the K-2 public speaking finals last week. Public speaking helps students develop confidence and communication skills essential for success in both academic and professional settings. It also fosters critical thinking and the ability to articulate ideas clearly, preparing them for leadership roles and effective teamwork. I

was also able to catch most of the 3-6 finalist speeches Congratulations to all the finalists for sharing their engaging speeches with a wider audience. A special congratulations to our public speaking winners, James K 12K, Mika G 34P and Grace W from 56R.

TTFM Parent Survey

In the last two weeks of Term 3, we invite parents to complete the online, anonymous Tell Them From Me Survey. Your feedback is crucial in helping us improve our school practices. To make it easier, our school leaders will be in the playground with iPads during Weeks 9 and 10, encouraging participation. We appreciate your time in supporting this important initiative.

Music is in the air

Following a recent parliamentary motion, music now plays at the end of each break, signaling students to use the toilet, get a drink, and line up. The students have enjoyed this new routine, and we thank Mrs. Krull for making it possible.

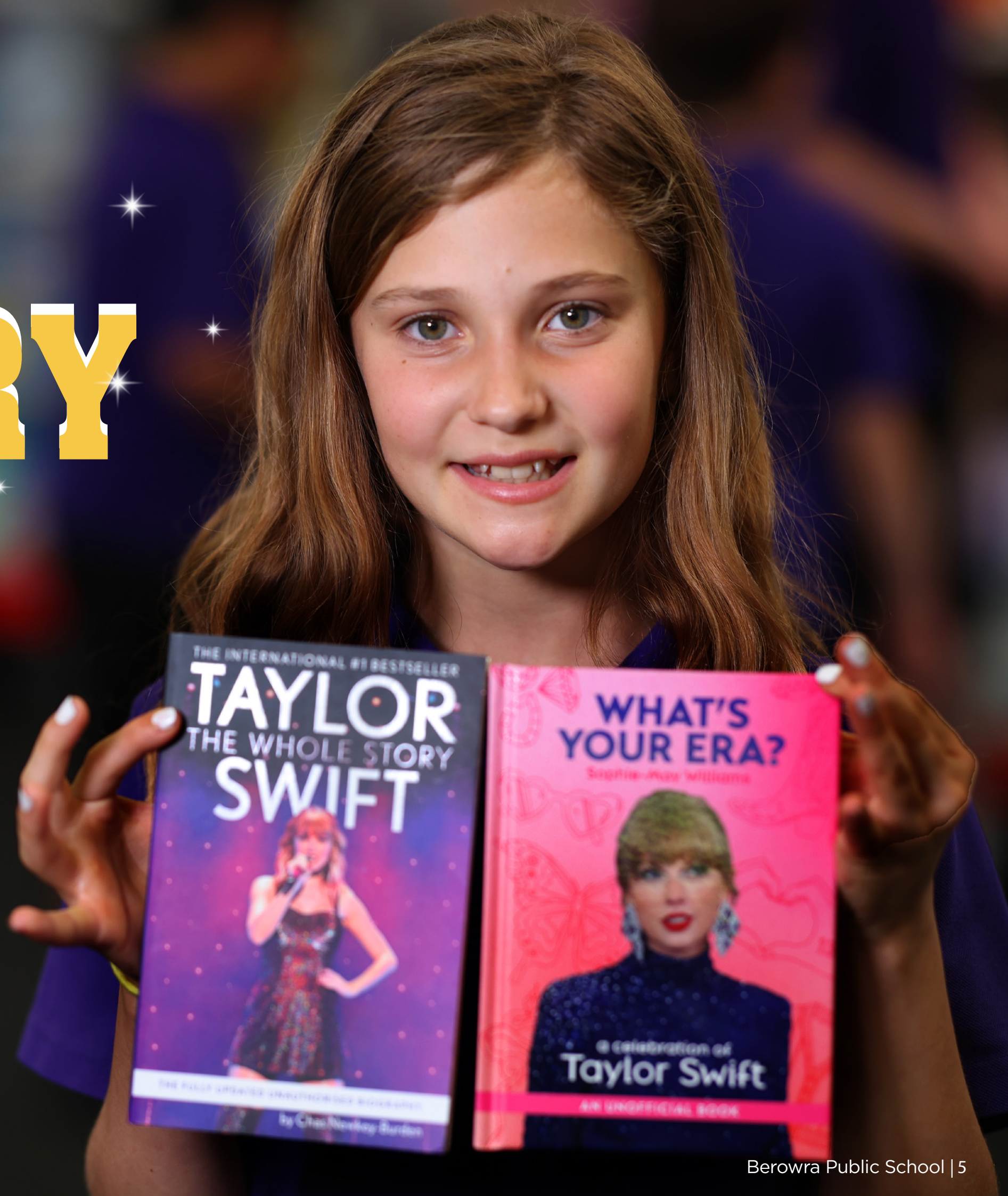
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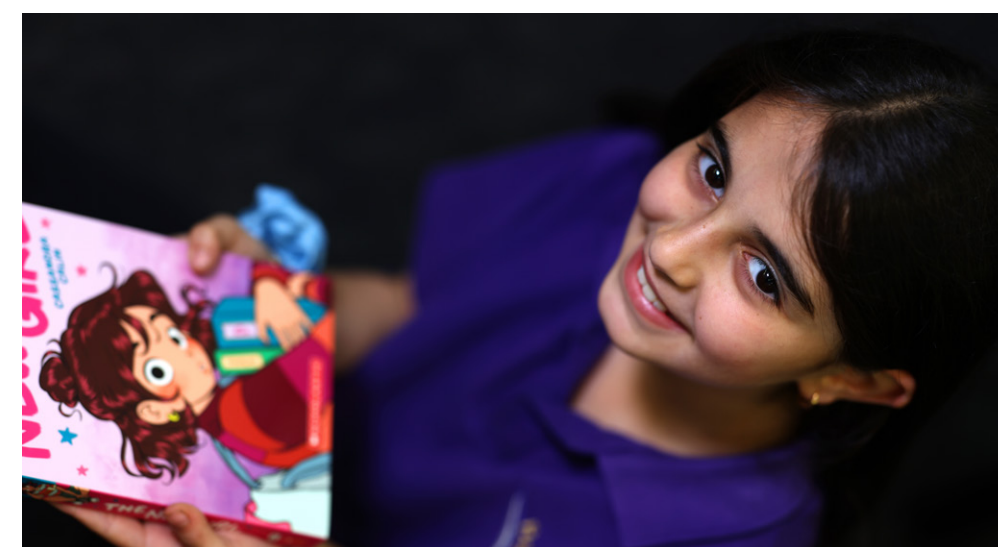
When you drive by our school you may have noticed an upgrade of our electronic sign. We are now able to share images on our sign which will be great for us to communicate upcoming events and celebrate achievements.

COME TO OUR

LIBRARY BOOK FAIR

WEEK 8









ASQUITH **MUSICALE** @ ASQUITH GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL

On Thursday 29th August, the BPS contingent of the combined Asquith & Berowra Public School Combined Performance Band presented a truly impressive performance, marked by conviction and outstanding musicality.

Additionally, they upheld their reputation for being respectful and engaged audience members during the performances of other bands.

Their behaviour was exemplary and made them easy to supervise, reflecting their exceptional professionalism as young musicians.

Well done, BPS!

ANGUS BULLOUGH
BPS Music Committee -
music@bps.org.au
<https://music.bps.org.au>



P&C PRESIDENT REPORT

Thank you all for your enthusiasm, support and appetites at the Father's Day Breakfast and stall - we had over 10 volunteers produce more than 340 sandwiches and the coffee cart was a frenzy of steamed milks with over 100 hot drinks made. Mark from Xpresso will make another appearance on Saturday 14th September for the Democracy Sausage Event - so please stop by even if you have polled early!

A heartfelt thank you to outgoing president, Simon Spencer, and outgoing vice president, Susannah Ware, for their dedicated service to BPS and their continued support for the incoming P&C executive.

Over the next few newsletters I will introduce the executive members of the P&C and the heads of our committees so you can know who they are, what the P&C does and where you may want to get involved.

SANDRA NGUYEN PRESIDENT

I joined the P&C Executive team last year and have taken on the president role at the AGM in August. What I have loved is being able to see the hard work that has gone into the fundraising resulting in substantial items for the kids - like the new chrome books the P&C was able to fund.

My favourite volunteering role is in the canteen

and watching the kids get so excited picking up the birthday buckets, or coming to confess they forgot their lunch and need some nuggets.

When I grow up I'd like to be a barista by day and a sommelier by night

MEGAN MURPHY TREASURER

I joined the P&C Executive Team as Treasurer in October 2023 as I have a love of spreadsheets and numbers!

My favourite P&C volunteering role would be the Mother's Day or Father's Day stalls. I love seeing all the kids picking out their gifts. When I grow up I would like to be paid to travel the world.

DOMINIC O'BRIEN SECRETARY

Secretary@bps.org.au

I have been the P&C secretary for 3 years and love taking notes :)

I enjoy enjoy landscaping and house renovation.

My favourite P&C events are the Discos!!





YEAR 5

Media TEAM

Today's Media Team Challenge was to set up and take an interesting

GROUP SHOT.

We got inspiration first from online bridal party wedding shots.

Next page: their beautiful shots of our grounds.





K-2 SPEAKING COMPETITION FINALS



**WINNER:
JAMES K.**



Berowra Public School

K-2 Speaking Competition Class Winners

KT: Liam S. & Luis W.

KF: Max M. & Clara W.

1/2S: Ivy A., Evelyn C. &
Joshua G.

1/2K: Izzy P. & James K.

1/2L: Hailey M, Zadie G &
Thea P.

Well done to these students!



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

At Home Activities

K-2

Thank You to my Teacher

Wishing well for others can make us feel good too. Write a thank you note to your teacher for something they did this week, it could be for helping you with your work, listening to you, or teaching you something that you liked.

Stage 2

Temperature check

Ask your family members how they are feeling today. Thinking about and trying to understand other people's thoughts and emotions can help us to build empathy. Using a thermometer picture to colour in how they are feeling: Cold could mean sad or upset and warm or hot could mean happy and excited.

Stage 3

Empathy X-Ray

We show our emotions on our faces and through our behaviour and we feel our emotions in our bodies. When someone is feeling sad, where do you think they feel this sadness in their bodies? Imagine that you have an X-Ray machine that can see where people feel emotions. Draw a picture of the body and then draw or colour in where and what it looks like inside when someone is upset.

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

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READING IS MAGIC

CHILDREN'S BOOK WEEK | 2024

PROGRAM FOR THE DAY

- 9:00am** – Book Fair opens
 - 9:45am** – Book Parade on the netball court
 - 10:30am** – Book Fair open, classroom visits, photo opportunity
 - 11:00am** – Lunch – Book Fair open, canteen serving food
 - 11:50am** – Students return to lessons. Book Fair remains open for parents.
 - 1:00pm** – Book Fair closes
 - 2:00pm** – Book Trivia for students on the netball court
- *Please note the Book Fair will now be held in the library

STUDENTS WILL PARADE WITH THEIR
CLASS IN THIS ORDER:

1/2S, 1/2L, 1/2K, 3/4B, 3/4L, 3/4P, Stage 3
students in book groups, Stage 3
students not in book groups, KT, KF.
We encourage students to bring their
chosen book with them.

Grandparents and Friends Day

SAVE THE DATE
THURSDAY 31ST OCTOBER



**MORE INFORMATION TO BE
SENT HOME SOON**



**FAMILY
FUN
DAY!**

**Free activities
for children up
to 12 years**

**at the
Parliament
of NSW**

Visit Australia's oldest Parliament to learn about democracy in NSW, and join in the fun for young citizens, future leaders and their families.

**Friday
11 October
9.30am – 3pm**



Visit our heritage rooms

Learn how to vote and make a law

Give a speech for an election campaign

Participate in a committee role play

Make craft animals and objects

Enjoy live music and more...



FREE ENTRY
Activities 9.30am to 3pm

LOCATION
Parliament of New South Wales,
6 Macquarie Street
Opposite Martin Place

The public café will be open.

**BOOKINGS
ESSENTIAL**

P: (02) 9230 2047 or
E: dps.education@parliament.nsw.gov.au



**school
HOLIDAY
program**

PROGRAMS



**LOWER
PRIMARY**
(5-7 years)



**UPPER
PRIMARY**
(8-11 years)



SECONDARY
(12-17 years)

Sessions include:

- 🐾 A behind-the-scenes tour of our shelters.
- 🐾 Fun and interactive animal focused activities.
- 🐾 Get hands on making enrichment toys.
- 🐾 Meet-and-Greet sessions with shelter animals.
- 🐾 Learn how to be an animal advocate in your community.

Sydney Education and Adoption Centre
201 Rookwood Road, Yagoona NSW 2199

SCAN ME



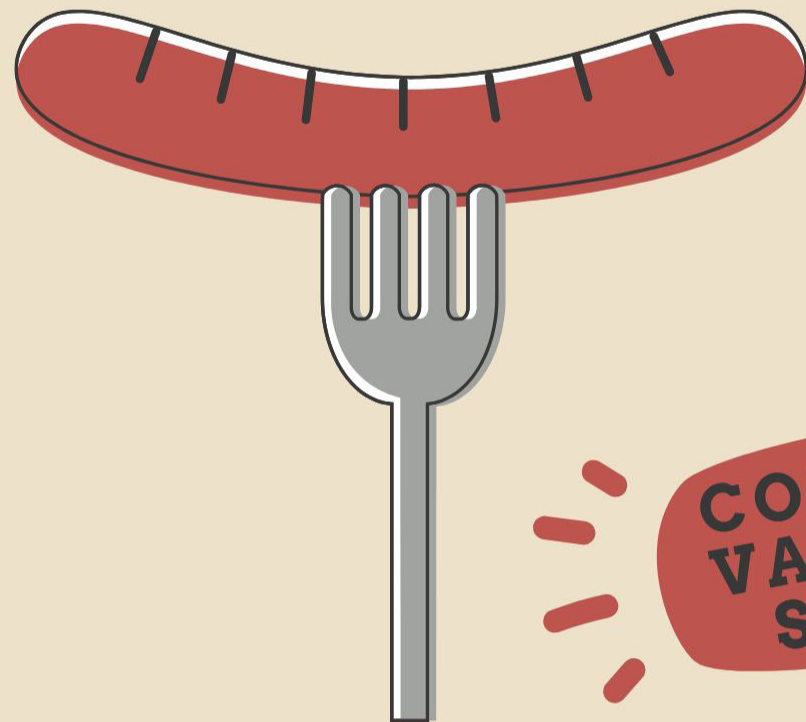
RSPCA NSW Education Team

📞 02 9782 4478 ✉ education@rspcansw.org.au
🌐 <https://events.humanitix.com/host/rspca-nsw>



LOCAL ELECTION

ELECTION DAY BBQ



COFFEE
VAN ON
SITE

**BEROWRA
PUBLIC SCHOOL**

14TH

SEPTEMBER

8AM

Wacky Wednesday

25th September



FAIR MUFTI DAY

Let's dress up! Practice your funny face!

Put on an unusual hat!

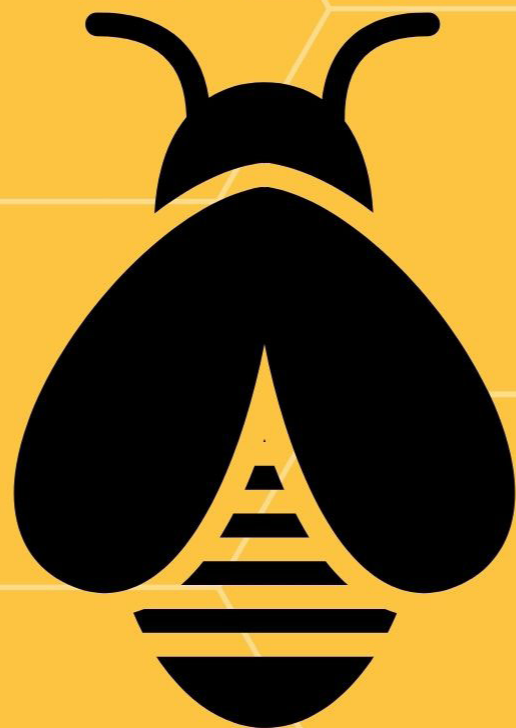
Bring along a gold coin donation OR
a block of chocolate as a donation to our
Chocolate Wheel!



WORKING

SUNDAY 20TH
OCTOBER 1-4PM

BEE



Free iceblock
for the kids!

SIGN UP BELOW
[VOLUNTEERSIGNUP.ORG/HJAQ9](https://volunteersignup.org/HJAQ9)



FAIR MEETING



7pm - Wednesday 23rd September
School Hall



Please come along to our next fair meeting!
Your participation is invaluable as we work together to make this
event a memorable and successful one for our school community.
All Welcome.



We acknowledge Australia's First Nation and Torres Strait Islander people's, the Traditional custodians of the lands, waterways and skies across Australia. We thank you for sharing the land in which we live, work and learn on. We pay our respects to Elders past, present and emerging.



Aboriginal Flag Handprints



Handprint Winter Animals

Meet Our New 2IC



Carla Sumner

WEEK 7 – NAIDOC WEEK

In Week 7, we celebrated NAIDOC Week with a range of engaging activities that honoured Indigenous culture. Our creative projects included making rain sticks, decorating boomerangs with Indigenous symbols, creating Aboriginal flag handprints, and painting rocks with traditional symbols. These activities provided a meaningful way for everyone to connect with and appreciate the rich heritage and traditions of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. Aligned with the My Time, Our Place framework, this approach creates a holistic and enriching environment that fosters a deep understanding and appreciation of *diverse cultures*.

WEEK 8 – WINTER WONDERLAND

In Week 8, we embraced the Winter Wonderland theme with a variety of exciting activities. The children had a blast creating penguin crafts, making melting snowmen, and designing their own snowflakes. We also kept active with games like soccer, Bounce, Bullrush, and many more. These activities not only brought joy and creativity to our program but also supported children's self-expression, encouraged teamwork and a sense of community, promoted health and fitness, and fostered curiosity and problem-solving through exploration and play.

Reminders:

- ✓ **Charity of The Term:** SoCares Animal Shelter. Don't forget to bring in an old towel or blanket to give to the puppies and kittens this Winter
- ✓ **Holidays are approaching quickly:** BOOK NOW! Join us to see Inside Out 2, party with us and our Generation connection friends and indulge in celebrating Disney's 100 years at Disney on Ice!
- ✓ **Kindy kid collection process** – As of Term 3 Kindy children will need to make their own way to our service in the afternoon. Getting a label on their bag saying TheirCare can help the kiddies remember to come to us.

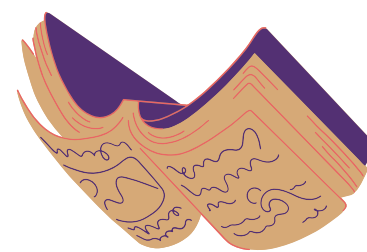


PRC

Premier's Reading Challenge

The PRC closes on Friday 23rd August (Week 5).

Remember to add all your books before the closing date.

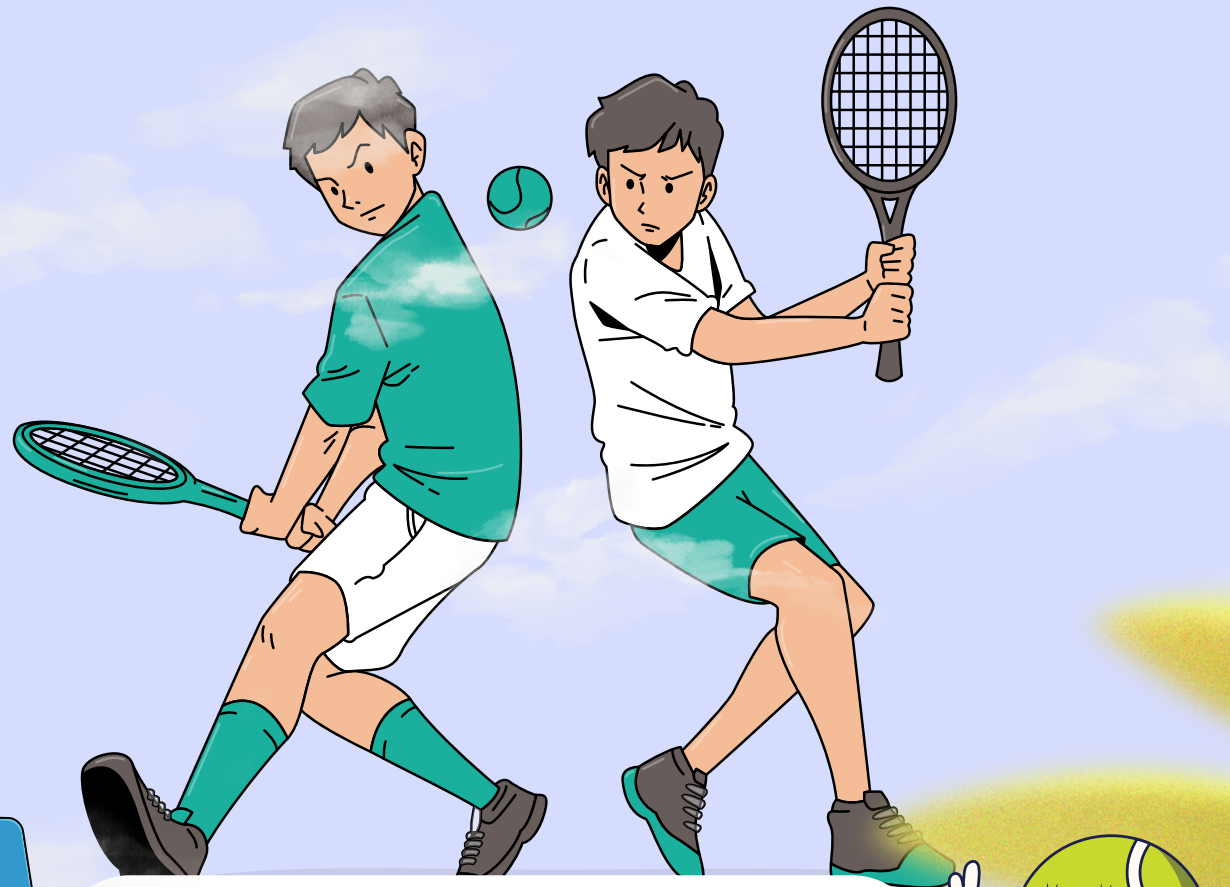


12A EDGEWORTH DAVID

OPEN KWT SPRING CAMP

30 SEP - 11 OCT | AGES 5-15

MULTISPORTS, PICKLEBALL, FUTSAL, OZTAG,
MATCHPLAY, HANDBALL



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FULL DAY \$63 | HALF DAY \$47

SPRING FAIR

BEROWRA PUBLIC SCHOOL

16
NOVEMBER 2024
12-6PM

Dear Parents and Guardians,

We are excited to announce that our biennial school Fair is fast approaching! This year's Fair will take place on Saturday 16th November 2024 from 12pm - 6pm. The Fair is a fantastic opportunity for our school community to come together for a day of fun, food, and festivities.

To ensure the success of the Fair, we need your support. We are reaching out to ask for your help in the following ways:

1. **Running a Class Stall:** Each class will be responsible for running a stall at the fair. We need volunteers to help set up, manage and run the stall on the day. Below is the list of the class stalls for our 2024 Fair.

Class	Stall	Class coordinator
KF	Apex BBQ	Ross Webster/Tory Donovan
KT	Chocolate wheel	Tamara Auer/Claire Dewar
1K	Class artwork	Rachel Byers/ Claire Davies
1/2L	Cake stall	Kirsty Liddell
1/2S	Gozleme	Hayley Mylius/ Alison Cooke
3/4B	Dunk tank	Dominic O'Brien
3/P	Nachos	Lissie Watts/Sandra Nguyen
3/4L	Lollies	Lara Hoye/Sarah Bradley
5/6A	Sideshow alley	Rachel Byers
5/6G	Haunted house	Erin Bettenson
5/6R	Sideshow alley	Carolyn Higgs

SPRING FAIR

BEROWRA PUBLIC SCHOOL



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2. **Donating Time:** If you are available, we would love for you to donate some of your time to assist with various tasks throughout the day. Whether it's helping with the setup before the Fair begins or staying a bit later to ensure everything is cleaned up, your time is invaluable. Please sign up via the below link:

<https://volunteersignup.org/F7PLW>

3. **Donating Products:** We are also seeking donations of products for the Fair. This can include items for the stalls, raffle prizes or chocolate wheel donations. Any contributions you can make will be greatly appreciated.

4. **Sponsoring the Event:** We are looking for sponsors to help cover the costs of the Fair. Sponsorship can be in the form of monetary donations or in-kind contributions. Sponsors will be recognised at the event and in our promotional materials, providing a great opportunity to support the school while gaining visibility in our community. We already have a few sponsors onboard which we will be sharing with you shortly!

5. **Attending a Fair Meeting:** Over the next few months we will hold several meetings. Your attendance at these meetings would be incredibly helpful. Below is a list of the fair meeting dates. Meetings are held in the school hall and start at 7pm.

- Wednesday 4th September
- Monday 23rd September
- Wednesday 14th October
- Wednesday 6th November
- Wednesday 13th November

If you are able to assist in any of these ways, contact us at fair@bps.org.au

Thank you in advance for your generosity and support. We look forward to working together to make this year's school Fair a memorable and enjoyable event for all!

Yours Sincerely,

Clare Salke
BPS Fair Team
fair@bps.org.au
0417 235 611



Term 3 Library Days

Tuesday - 1/2S, 3/4B, 3/4P, 5/6G

Wednesday - KF, 1/2K, 5/6R

Thursday - KT, 1/2L, 3/4L, 5/6A

Please remember to bring your library bags
and overdue books.

BOOK WEEK

THURSDAY 12TH SEPTEMBER

We invite our families and community to
join us in celebrating Book Week.



9.45am Book Character Parade

Followed by a
picnic lunch and
the Book Fair
(the canteen will be open)

Book Character outfits can be innovatively sourced from
wardrobes and dress-up boxes. Please do not go to any
expense.

The Book Fair will be cashless, meaning families will pre-pay
online or pay by EFTPOS on the day. The students will be
given the opportunity to do some window shopping prior to
the day.

Further details will follow closer to the date.

Berowra

Public School

TERM 4

KINDY TRANSITION

2024

Students, Parents & Carers! Join us for our 2024 Berowra Public School Kindergarten transition program. Students spend time in a primary school environment while parents and carers attend informative workshops for the best possible start for your child.

DATES

Friday, 25th October 2024
Friday, 1st November 2024
Friday, 8th November 2024

TIME
9.30 AM – 11 AM

LOCATION

Meet under the library COLA

Don't miss this opportunity to get your child comfortable & excited about their journey to Big School.

MORE INFO:

berowra-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au
02 94561319

Berowra

Public School

ENROL NOW FOR KINDERGARTEN

2025

ENROL NOW



More Information
berowra-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au
ph: 9456 1319



SCHOOL UNIFORM



Girls Summer Uniform

Purple polo shirt with school logo
Completely black Skort/shorts (no logos)
 White socks that are below mid calf
Completely black school shoes
 Black polo fleece jacket
 Wide brimmed school hat

Boys Summer Uniform

Purple polo shirt with school logo
Completely black shorts (no logos)
 White socks that are below mid calf
Completely black school shoes
 Black polo fleece jacket
 Wide brimmed school hat

Sports Uniform

House colour polo shirt
 Completely black shorts or skorts (no logos)
 White socks that are below mid-calf and track shoes
 Wide brimmed school hat

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

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

Tights and Leggings - Black tights and/or leggings are only to be worn under school uniform.

Jewellery - Bracelets, necklaces, rings, and earrings (other than studs or small 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 BPS mobile phone procedure.

Accessories - Nail polish or false nails are not permitted to be worn at school. Hair that touches the shoulder must be pulled back. Small hair accessories are permitted in the school colours of purple, yellow and black.

Girls Winter Uniform

Purple polo shirt with school logo
Completely black Skorts, shorts, jazz pants or trousers (no logos)
 White or black socks
Completely black school shoes
 Black polo fleece jacket
 Wide brimmed school hat

Boys Winter Uniform

Purple polo shirt with school logo
Completely black Shorts or trousers (no logos)
 White or black socks
Completely black school shoes
 Black polo fleece jacket
 Wide brimmed school hat

Uniform shop link
<https://uniformshop.bps.org.au/>

Canteen Menu 2024

Available Wednesday, Thursday and Friday

Order online at www.Flexischools.com.au

by 8.45am or at the canteen by 9am



TOASTED SANDWICHES

Cheese	\$3.00
Ham	\$3.50
Chicken	\$3.50
Cheese & tomato	\$3.50
Cheese & ham	\$4.00
Cheese & chicken	\$4.00
Cheese & pineapple	\$3.50
Cheese & baked beans	\$3.50
Cheese & spaghetti	\$3.50
Cheese & tuna	\$4.00
Spaghetti	\$3.20
Baked beans	\$3.20
Tuna	\$3.50
Ham, cheese & pineapple	\$4.00
Ham, cheese & tomato	\$4.00
Gluten free bread	\$1.00

SANDWICHES

Vegemite	\$2.00
Cheese	\$3.00
Ham	\$3.50
Chicken	\$3.50
Tuna	\$3.50
Salad	\$3.00
Egg	\$3.00
Egg, lettuce & mayo	\$3.50
Ham, cheese & tomato	\$4.00
Tuna, lettuce & mayo	\$4.00
Extras - salad, cheese or mayo	\$0.50
Gluten free bread	\$1.00
Wrap	\$0.50

HOT FOOD

Garlic bread	\$2.00
Corn cob	\$2.00
Spring roll	\$0.80
Nuggets	\$3.50
- gluten free	\$4.00
Snack pie	\$3.50
Homemade pasta bolognese	\$4.00
-gluten free	\$4.00
Sausage roll	\$4.00
Spinach & ricotta roll (V)	\$3.50
Traveller pie	\$4.50
Chicken burger with lettuce & mayo	\$5.50
- add cheese, cucumber & tomato	\$6.00
Beef burger with cheese & tomato sauce	\$5.50
- add salad	\$6.00
Chicken snack wrap with lettuce and mayo	\$5.50
- with cheese, carrot cucumber & tomato	\$6.00
Pizza slab 170g	
- cheese or hawaiian	\$4.00
*	
Sauce - tomato or BBQ	\$0.40



All sandwiches on wholemeal bread