

BEROWRA PUBLIC SCHOOL

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TERM 3 WEEK 10

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UPCOMING EVENTS



SCHOOL

Friday SEPT 26: Last day of Term 3

Monday OCT 13: Staff Development Day

Tuesday OCT 14: Students return for Term 4

SCHOOL CALENDAR LINK
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QUOTE OF THE DAY

*“Education breeds confidence.
Confidence breeds hope. Hope breeds
peace.”*

- Confucius

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COVER: There were so many highlights from the Book Parade!

QUICK LINKS

OUR
WEBSITE



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UNIFORM
SHOP



SCHOOL
BYTES



THEIR
CARE



CANTEEN
ONLINE



PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Week 10



Vicky Wallace
PRINCIPAL

Dear School Community, I would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to everyone for your incredible support during the changes on Thursday, 11 September. It was certainly a hectic day, but thanks to everyone's cooperation and understanding, the day ran as smoothly as possible. Your patience and teamwork truly made a difference.

Book Week Parade

Wow, our Book Week Parade was simply outstanding! The sun was shining, the children were buzzing with excitement, and we were thrilled to see such a huge turnout of parents and visitors. The costumes were truly impressive and brought the event to life. A huge thank you to Mrs Mitchell, Mrs Lukic, Mrs Williams, and all the staff who helped make the day so special. I'd also like to extend my gratitude to Teresa, the amazing P&C, and all the parent volunteers who organised the delicious treats at the canteen — your efforts were much appreciated by all.



Colour Run

A huge congratulations to those who participated in and raised money for the Colour Run. What a fun and colourful day it was! It was wonderful to see so many families come along to watch and support the event. I can't wait for the next one! Many thanks to the P&C and especially Kirsty Chan for all her fantastic organisation and Alex Heathers for organising the Rural Fire Service Truck which the kids loved!



Boys Dance group

Congratulations to our Boys Dance group who performed beautifully at the State Dance Festival on Wednesday. We are incredibly fortunate to have Mrs Lukic, our amazing dance teacher, who makes these opportunities possible. A big thank you also goes to Mrs Withford, who escorted the group to the rehearsal during the

day and the performance in the evening. Your dedication and support are truly appreciated.



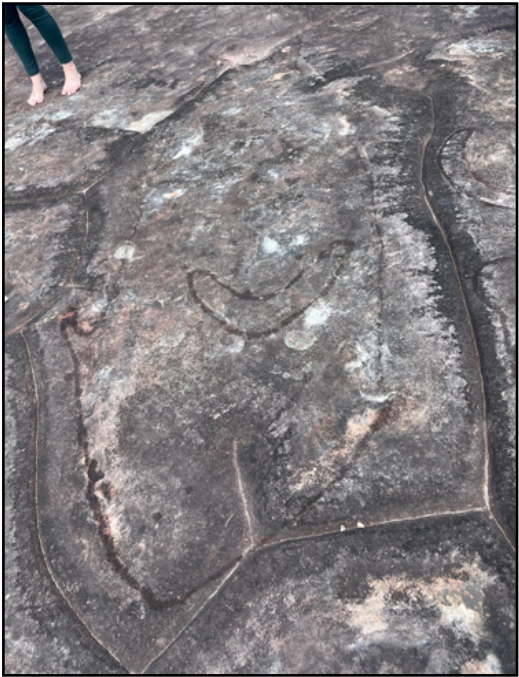
Teddy Bear’s Picnic

Our Kindy students recently attended their Teddy Bear’s Picnic and had a fantastic day enjoying the outdoors in this amazing weather. Thank you to Mrs Fenton and Mrs Tonkes for organising this delightful excursion and Mrs Kolarik and Lisa for supporting our Kindies on the excursion.



Big Mob Day

We had 4 of our Aboriginal students attend Big Mob Day at Muogamarra. We thank the parents for driving them to the excursion and Ms Roberts for all her organisation and also joining our students as they learnt more about their Aboriginal culture and histories with other local schools. What a fantastic opportunity for our students to make connections!



Parent Focus Group

Thank you as well to the wonderful parents who joined Mr Leary and me on Friday morning for the parent focus group. The discussion was robust, and your ideas and feedback were invaluable. We have already begun implementing some of your suggestions to improve our school community. The parent focus group will be meeting again in Term 4, Week 1, and a SchoolBytes invite will be sent out next term. If you’re interested in participating, please be sure to accept the invitation.

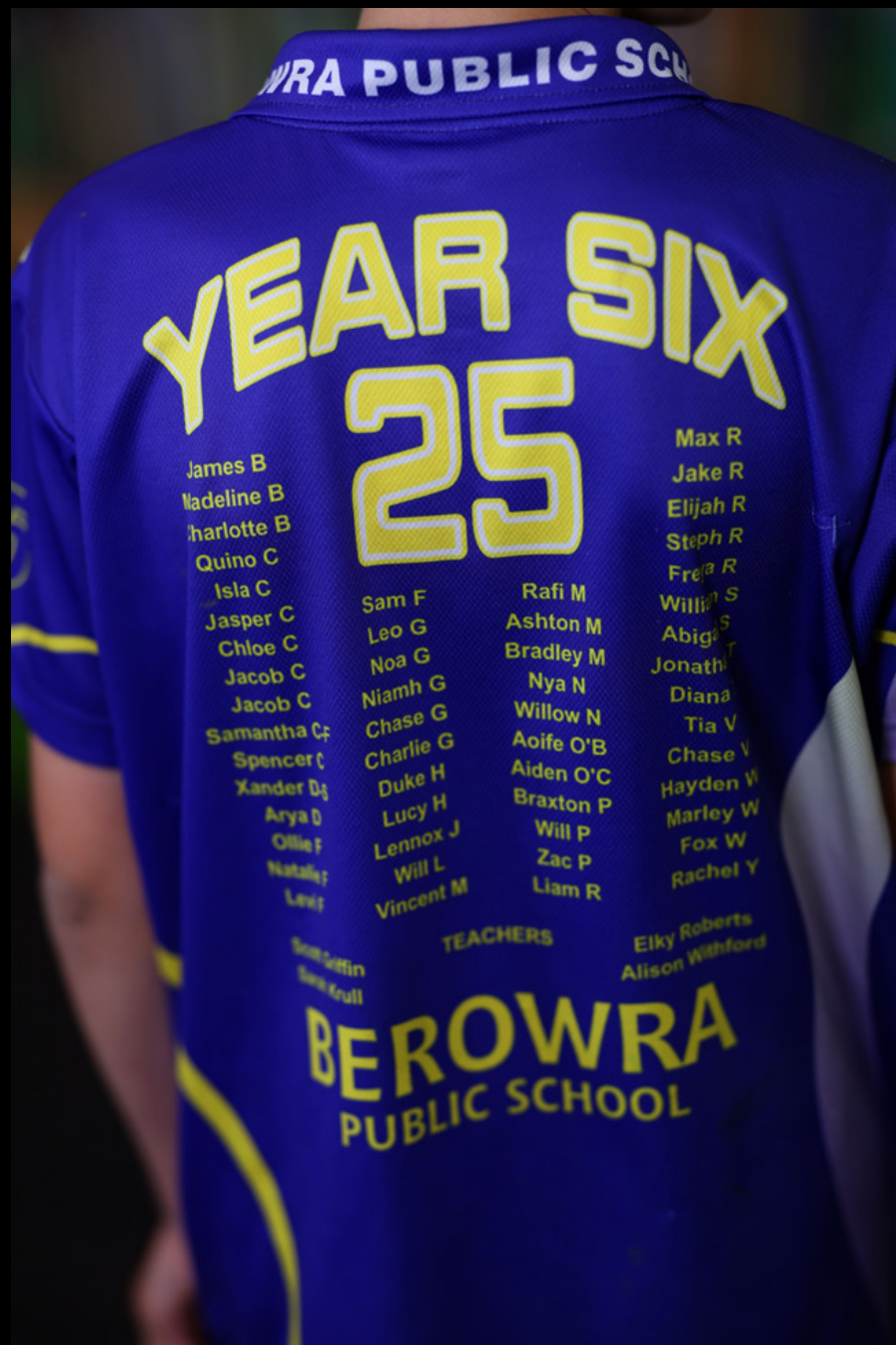
Wishing all our families a happy and safe Term 3 holidays. We look forward to seeing you back for our exciting learning adventures in Term 4.

RIGHT: The Student Voice Ambassadors have been working hard with Ms Wallace to collate the data they collected from the student focus groups and teacher surveys.



OUR NEW YEAR SIX TOPS







BOOK AN
Adventure

Children's
Book Character
Parade

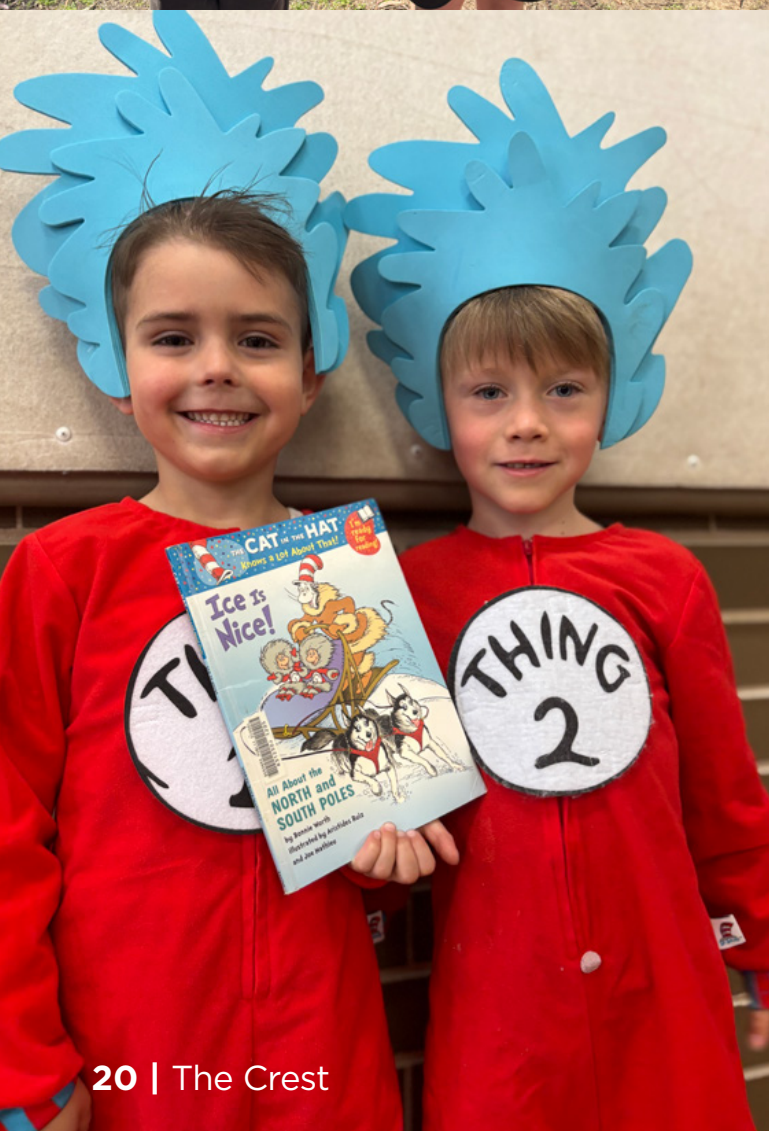
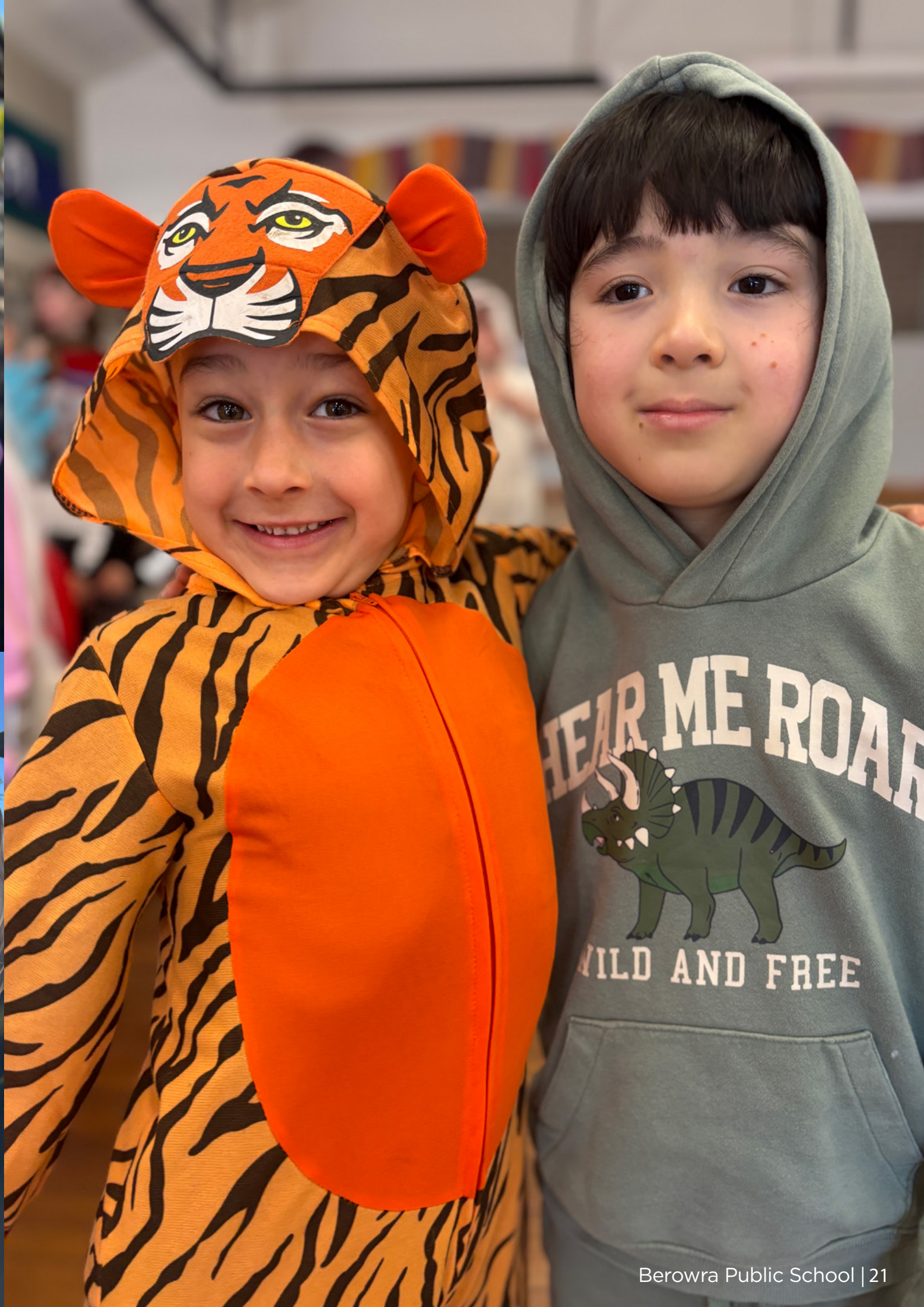
WEEK 9 TUESDAY
15 SEPTEMBER











LIBRARY

WITH MRS MITCHELL AND 1/2K

















EXCURSION

MUOGAMARRA BIG MOB TRIP

ELKY ROBERTS

Berowra Public School
ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

On Tuesday some of our students attended the 'Big Mob' excursion with students from nine of our local schools. Students were immersed in First Nations histories and cultures - participating in a range of activities focusing on Aboriginal practices, connecting to culture,

learning about respect and management of local Country, and discovering some of the engraving sites at Muogamarra Nature Reserve. It was a beautiful day to connect and learn together!





DANCE

STATE DANCE FESTIVAL

KELLY LUKIC

Berowra Public School
DANCE TEACHEER

Congratulations to the boys' dance group for their fabulous performance at the State Dance Festival. They demonstrated remarkable dedication with their weekly rehearsals and delivered an energetic performance at the Seymour Centre last Wednesday night. Only 22 primary schools

from across the entire state were selected to perform at this level and only four of these groups were boys' groups. What a wonderful achievement for dance at BPS.







THE SYDNEY NORTH REGIONAL LONG JUMP & DISCUS

ALISON WITHFORD
Berowra Public School
TEACHER



Yesterday, some of our talented students proudly represented both our school and the Hornsby Zone at the Sydney North Regional Athletics Carnival. Congratulations to Steph R, Jasper C, Willow N, Cooper V, Molly M and Liam B on your fantastic efforts—you demonstrated determination, perseverance and wonderful school spirit throughout the day.

A special congratulations to Liam B and Molly

M, who both achieved personal bests and outstanding results. Liam placed 2nd in High Jump with a PB of 1.45m, while Molly also claimed 2nd place in Discus with a PB performance. Both students have now qualified to represent Sydney North at the State Athletics Carnival later this year. An amazing achievement—well done, Liam and Molly!

P&C UPDATE

Hello Berowra Public School community,

As Term 3 wraps up, we're excited to share what the P&C has been up to and to thank everyone who contributed their time and energy to making this term such a success.

Meet Your P&C Executive Team:

- President: Sandra Nguyen
- Vice Presidents: Kirsty Chan and Lara Hoyer
- Secretary: Sarah Bradley
- Treasurer: Megan Murphy

TERM 3 HIGHLIGHTS:

FATHER'S DAY BREAKFAST & STALL - A beautiful morning shared with families, and well-loved stall where students picked out gifts with care. Thank you to all our volunteers who made it happen!

BOOK WEEK & OPEN DAY - It was wonderful to see the school come alive with costumes, creativity, and community spirit. The open classrooms gave families a chance to see the amazing work happening every day, and thanks to everyone who helped pivot with the water issues.

COLOUR RUN FUNDRAISER - What a spectacular event! The energy, colour, and joy were unforgettable. Thanks to everyone who participated and helped raise funds for our school. It was such a hit that we hope to make it a biennial tradition!

CANTEEN & UNIFORM SHOP - These essential services continue to run smoothly thanks to our dedicated volunteers. Your support makes a real difference.

We're always looking for new members and helpers—whether you can spare a few hours or want to get more involved, we'd love to welcome you.

Wishing everyone a safe and happy holiday break!

Warm regards,
Sandra on behalf of Berowra Public School P&C.

Connection

[Con - nec - shun] (n)

Link.
Togetherness.
To be part of.
Trust.
Share
communications.
To bond -
join.
Not keeping,
telling.
Thinking
(With others)

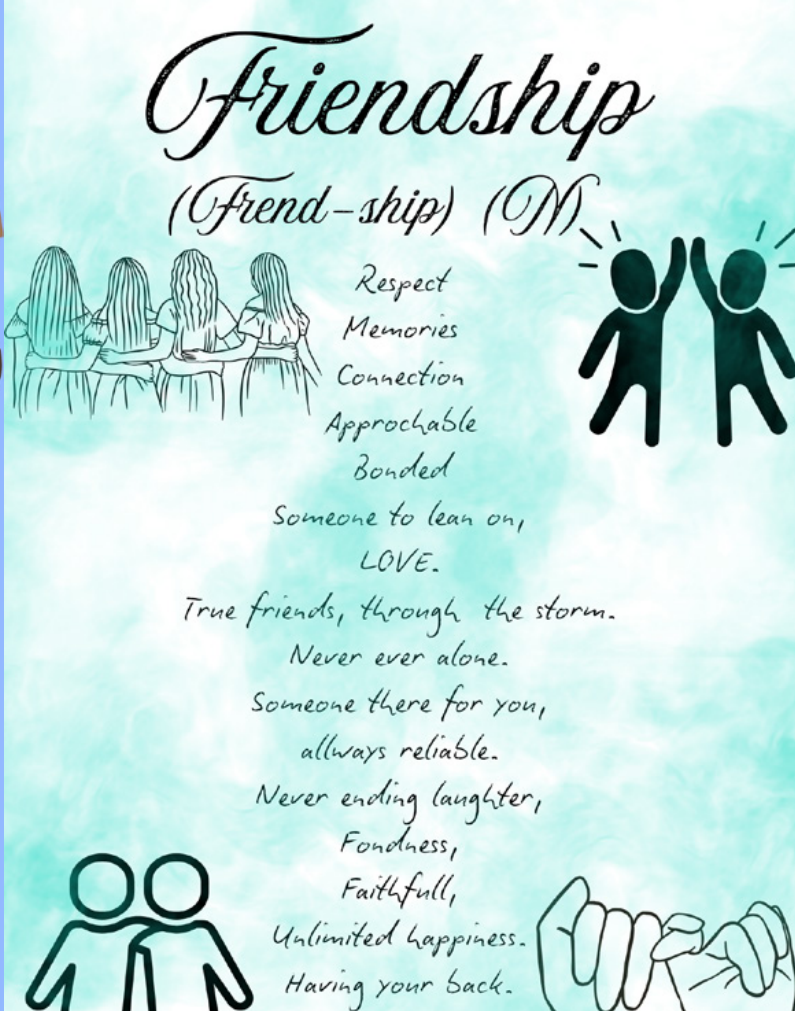


Amelia K

Friendship

(Frend-ship) (M)

Respect
Memories
Connection
Approachable
Bonded
Someone to lean on,
LOVE.
True friends, through the storm.
Never ever alone.
Someone there for you,
always reliable.
Never ending laughter,
Fondness,
Faithfull,
Unlimited happiness.
Having your back.

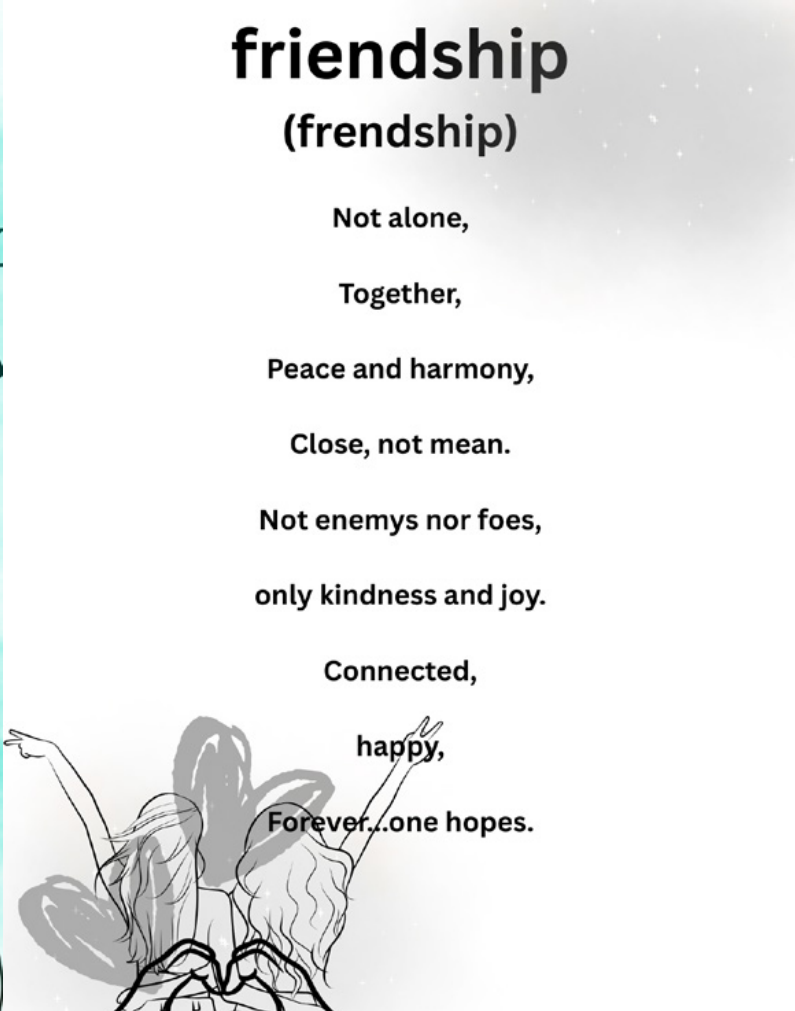


Charlotte F

friendship

(frendship)

Not alone,
Together,
Peace and harmony,
Close, not mean.
Not enemys nor foes,
only kindness and joy.
Connected,
happy,
Forever...one hopes.

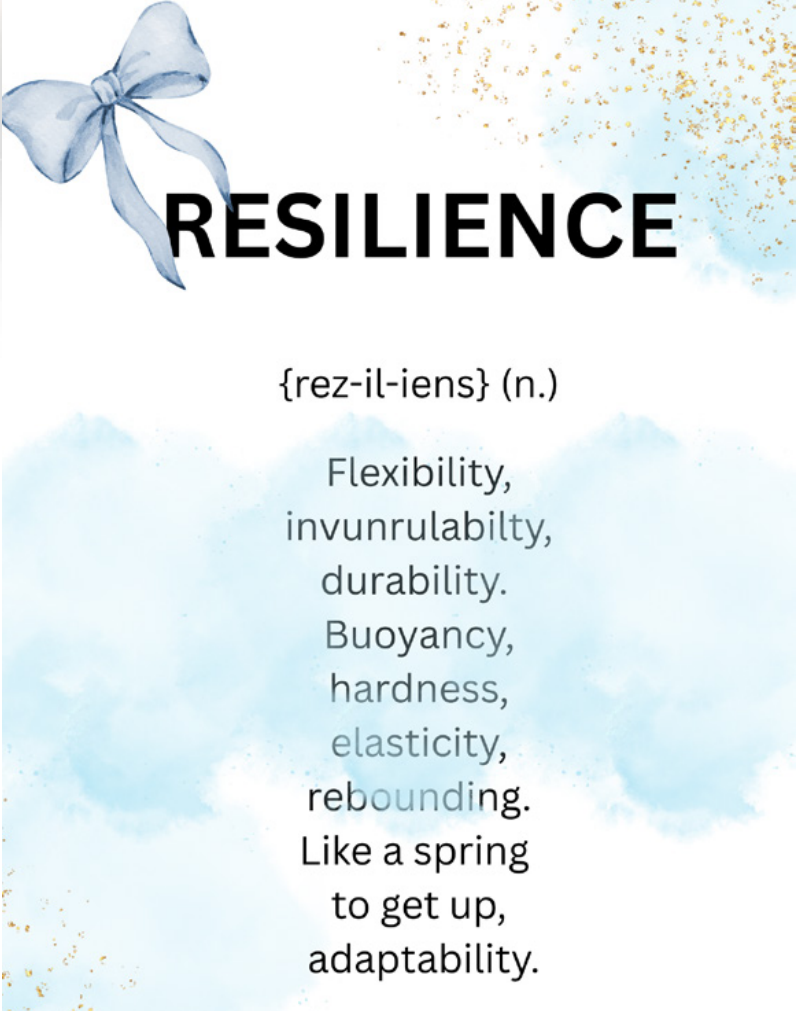


Chloe C

RESILIENCE

{rez-il-iens} (n.)

Flexibility,
invunrulability,
durability.
Buoyancy,
hardness,
elasticity,
rebounding.
Like a spring
to get up,
adaptability.



Hayley C

Strength

[Streng-th] (N)

Motivation
Toughness
to be resilient,
Being strong
(mentally or
physicaly).
unscaved by danger,
to be independent,
and to have
courage.



Jonathan T

friendship

{friend-ship}

Harmony,
mateship,
kindness.
A true friend,
greatest of all blessings:
Supportive,
good will,
sisterhood.



Maria Y

Connection

[con-nec-shun] (n.)

To be understood
loved
cared for
united.
To be there for each other
through the good times
(and the bad).
A sense of belonging
a bond.

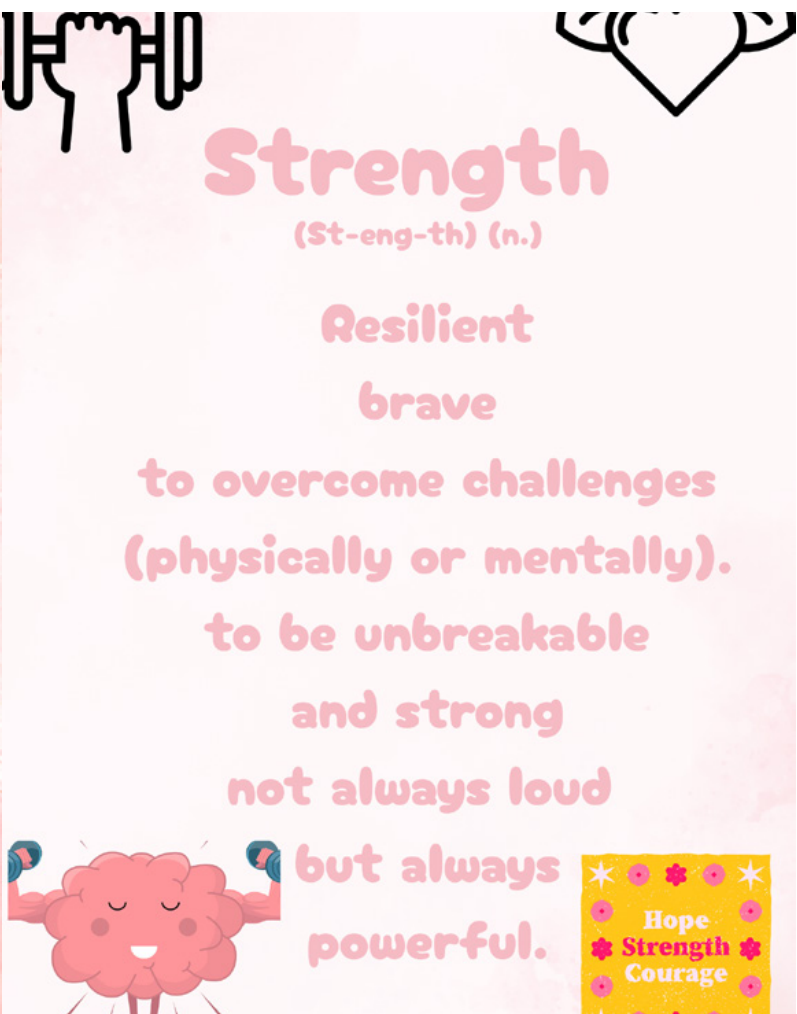


Noa G

Strength

(St-eng-th) (n.)

Resilient
brave
to overcome challenges
(physically or mentally).
to be unbreakable
and strong
not always loud
but always
powerful.



Nya N



Adversity

[Ad-ver-si-ty]

Bad luck,
sorrow,
affliction,
misery,
fighting through
life.
Woe,
misery,
crisis,
trouble.
Tough times,
bravery,
resilience.



Patrick H

The best thing about being at school
is seeing my friends.
We talk
we yap,
we chit chat.
At lunch we play
'til we finish our game.
Sometimes we fight
and other times
we're nice.
But in the end
we have a good time.
We play 'til we sweat
and no matter the weather,
we play together.
All the time my friends will be
the best part of my life.
Mason M

The best thing about being at school
is the canteen food.
At school
the other kids chat
about everything but how delicious the food is.
It's so much better
than the boring school lunches from home.
Such as,
sandwiches,
rolls,
cold leftovers from last night.
No one talks about the school lunches.
Not my friends anyway.
Elodie talks about her hair.
Mika talks about what food is going to be at DND.
Maria talks about what she did with her little sister.
Emily talks about books,
like all the time.
Another good thing about school
is my friends.
They may be annoying and weird
but they're my besties.
Elyse D-R

The best thing about being at school
is being with my friends.
At school,
the kids chat
about everything but home.
Sandwiches,
steal a brain rot,
Nathan Cleary,
the Panthers,
NRL,
AFL,
naked mole rats
(not really but still).
No one wants to talk about homework.
Not my friends anyway -
Logan talks about Sab,
Mason talking about Panthers winning,
and Kai likes sandwiches.
Another good thing about school
is lunch.
It is like an NRL grand final,

it always cheers me up.
William R

The best thing about being at school
is seeing my friends.
At school,
the kids chat
about everything but chess.
Sabrina Carpenter,
Olivia Rodrigo,
Taylor Swift and Travis Kelce engaged,
Ariana Grande,
Food, Make-up.
No one wants to talk about chess.
Not my friends anyway -
Noa talks about dogs,
Nya talks about swimming,
Willow talks about AFL.
Another good thing about school
Is seeing my friends.
Aoife O'B

The best thing about being at school
is being with mates.
At school,
the kids chat
about everything but soccer.
NRL,
teams are unfair,
their plans,
the skatepark.
No one wants to talk
about soccer.
Not my friends anyway.
Grow garden,
steal a brain rot,
And Taylor Swift.
Another good thing about school
is no annoying siblings.
Spencer C

The best thing about being at school
is being able to express yourself,
emotionally,
with words,
art,
text,
actions,
Anything you could dream of.
Your appearance,
what you want to achieve in life,
anything,
everything
you could ever imagine.
I can ask questions,
search for answers,
happiness,
engagement,

wherever school takes you.
The path is endless.
School can be anything you want it to be.
Freya R

The best thing about being at school
is not having to watch the news.
At school the kids chat about memes,
Fortnite,
incidents that happened.
Anything but cement drying.
Not my friends -
they don't.
Ollie solves his Rubix cube,
Leo talks about memes,
and Jacob is playing hide and seek tip.
Another good thing about school
is science.
Science is like a puzzle
that we need to figure out.
It always makes me proud.
Rafi M

FREE VERSE POEMS

5/6R



2025

TERM 4

KINDY TRANSITION

Students, Parents & Carers! Join us for our 2025 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, 24th October 2025

Friday, 31st October 2025

Friday, 7th November 2025

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



FREE
FAMILY FUN DAY
AT THE PARLIAMENT OF NSW

Free activities
for children
up to 12 years
at the
Parliament
of NSW

Friday
10 October
9.30am – 3pm

Visit Australia's oldest
Parliament, step inside
history and get creative in
workshops and role plays.

- Visit our heritage rooms
- Make craft animals and objects
- Play music and draw with Blak Douglas
- Have your say in a committee role play
- Learn how to vote
- 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





This fortnight's Smiling Mind focus is **Acts of Kindness**

At Home Activities

K-2

Helping at home

Acts of kindness are intended to help others and is one way of showing someone that you care about them. What is an act of kindness that you can do this week at home? Examples: helping with the dishes, letting someone else go first, taking care of a pet, making a get-well card for a sick friend, hugging someone to make them feel better. Choose one act of kindness to perform this week.

Once you have done this, draw how your act of kindness made you and your family member feel.

Stage 2

Acts of Kindness Challenge

Doing something nice for someone else often makes us, in turn, feel better also. Pick one act of kindness you are going to do this week and try to do it every day. It doesn't have to be a big act! It can be something small like making sure you smile every time you say hi to someone. As you are performing the act of kindness, notice how it makes you feel. Does it make you feel good? How does it make the other person feel?

Stage 3

Compliments

Acts of kindness are one way of showing people that you care about them and helps to build relationships and community. This week, practise acts of kindness by giving 5 people a genuine compliment. Afterwards, reflect on these questions: How did the compliment make the person feel? How did giving a compliment make you feel?

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

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MINDQUEST 2025

MindQuest caters for high potential and gifted primary students from years one to six.

This fast paced challenging program offering 33 exciting courses for gifted and talented students is designed to enrich and extend students of similar interests and abilities

Courses are based around all areas of learning and are lead by experts in the field
The weekend program fee is \$250.

SAT & SUN

15 & 16 November



TIME

9.30AM - 3.30PM



VENUE

GLENWOOD HS



MORE INFO

Contact Mrs Boon through the school email for a brochure with the details of available programs.

Closing date is Friday 17th October

Grandparents and Friends Day at BPS

SAVE THE DATE

Thursday 30th October
**10:00 Welcome Assembly
and Concert**
**10:45 Classroom Visits &
Outdoor Games**
11:20 - 12:10 Lunch



**THE OCCASIONAL PERFORMING
SINFONIA (TOPS)**
and talented players from
Knox Grammar School,
Hornsby Girls High and
North Sydney Girls High
present

MUSICAL FIREWORKS

A Fundraising concert for Music Therapy
at The Children's Hospital, Westmead

**SUNDAY,
SEPTEMBER 28, 2025
2PM**

Knox Grammar School Performing Arts Centre
Wenkart Theatre
Woodville Ave, Wahroonga

Program to include

- **HANDEL - ROYAL FIREWORKS MUSIC**
- **STRAVINSKY - FIREBIRD SUITE**
- **WILLIAMS - COWBOYS OVERTURE**
- **MARQUEZ - DANZON NO. 2**
- **CHAMINADE - CONCERTINO (FLUTE SOLOIST
ALEX WAN - KNOX)**

Also celebrating the 80th birthday of
Mal Hewitt, Founder and Musical
Director of TOPS

For bookings go to <https://events.humanitix.com/fireworks-celebration>

