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TERM 3 WEEK 6

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UPCOMING EVENTS



SCHOOL

Monday SEP 8: 3-6 Public Speaking Competition

Mon SEP 1, Tue SEP 2 & Tue SEP 9: Festival of Instrumental Music Performance

Thursday SEP 11: Scholastic Book Fair/Book Week Celebrations



P&C

Mon-Tue SEP 1-2: Father's Day Stall

Friday SEP 5: Father's Day Breakfast

Friday SEP 19: P&C Colour Fun Run

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: Our Year 6 students are preparing for public speaking today.

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THEIR
CARE



CANTEEN
ONLINE



PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Open Day



Vicky Wallace

PRINCIPAL

What a fantastic Open Day we recently enjoyed at our school! Despite the wet weather, the day was filled with warmth and excitement as we welcomed so many parents, grandparents, and visitors to our campus. It was truly heartwarming to see how thrilled the children were to share their school environment with their families.

Mrs Mitchell

A huge thank you goes to Mrs Mitchell and all our dedicated teachers for their outstanding organisation that made the day run so smoothly. Our wonderful performances by the senior and junior choirs, recorders, strings, girls and boys dance groups, and the performance band were a true highlight and showcased the incredible talents of our students.

The Canteen and the P&C

We are also grateful to the P&C and canteen for arranging delicious snacks and a fantastic coffee van, which kept everyone refreshed throughout the morning. It was especially delightful to see our preschool visitors joining in the fun, dancing joyfully to the music.

Overall, it was a memorable and joyous occasion that brought our school community closer together. Thank you to everyone who contributed to making the day so special!

We'd love to get your feedback about Open

Day 2025. Please use the following link to complete a short survey

<https://forms.gle/cZ7dXdDfSSSWTL1R6>

Choir

Congratulations to our choir on their final rehearsal and outstanding performance at the North West Music Festival! A huge thank you to Mrs Withford for her excellent organisation and for supporting our choir throughout the day and evening. Your dedication is greatly appreciated!

Excursion

We have also had some exciting High Potential and Gifted Education excursion opportunities for selected students, including Frog Lab Science in the Wetlands, Wild About Art at Gibberagong, and Bush Studio Art for Stage 2 and Stage 3. Well done to all the students who were selected to attend – we are proud to have such talented young learners. Many thanks to Mrs Lukic for all her wonderful organisation of these enriching experiences.

Don't forget we have some important events coming up. We have the Morris Gleitzman visit for Years 3-6 in Week 7. Make sure you get your permission notes in, so you don't miss out! Also, keep an eye out for information coming home about our P&C's Colour Run Fundraiser, which will take place in Week 9.

INCURSION

DINGO DAY



REPTILE PARK TICKETS

Winner: Krickx Family

SPONSOR A DINGO AT WANDI SANCTUARY

Choose the Dingo

Face time visit

Winner: Bedworth Family

SPONSOR A DINGO AT BARGO SANCTUARY

Face-to-Face visit

Winner: Jesse Watts

MEET THE DINGOES... CLOSE UP

Winners are

Imogen Sharp

Jimmy Anderson

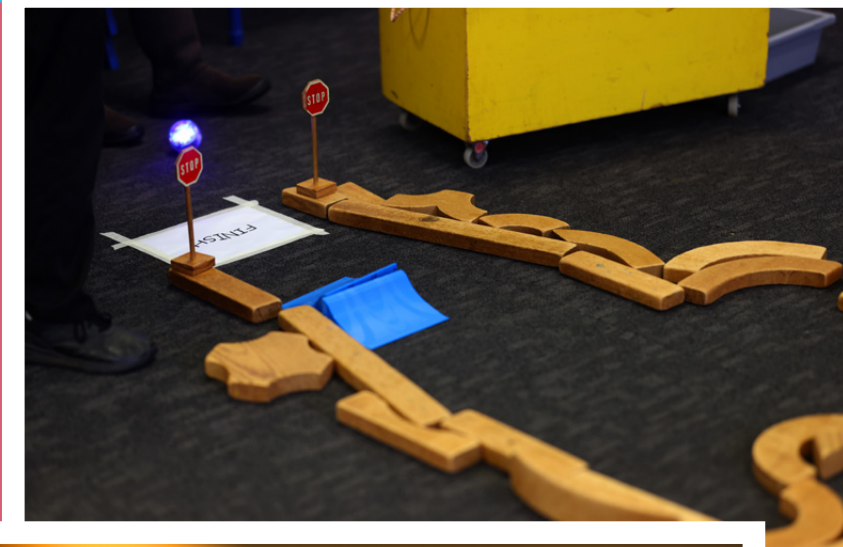
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Rudy Staas

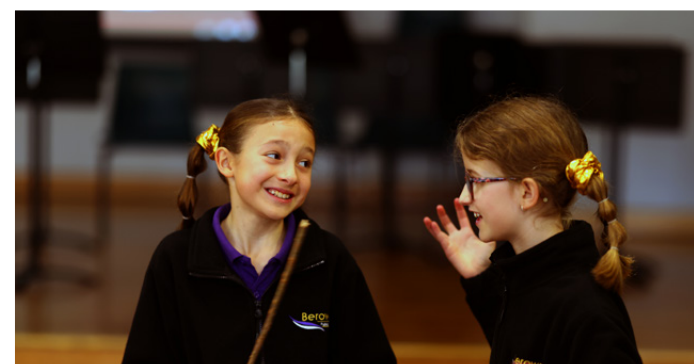






OPEN DAY





SCAVENGER HUNT





RECORDERS



CHOIR





STRINGS



BAND





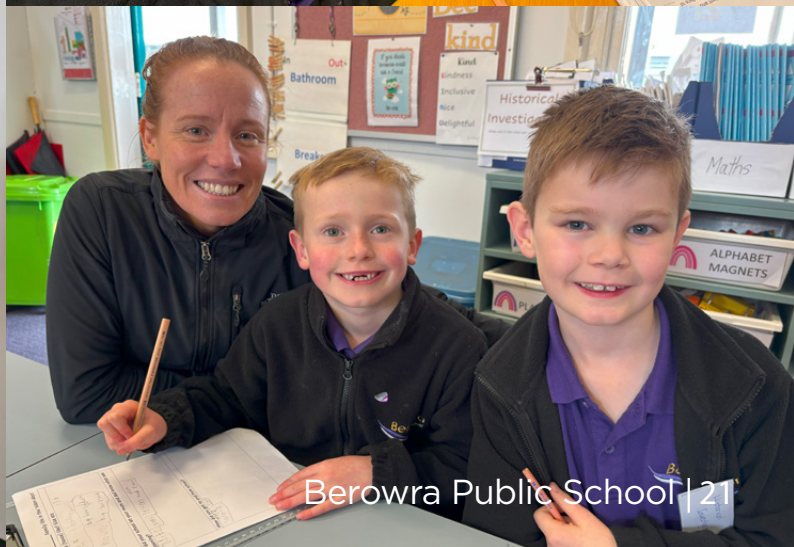
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REGIONAL SPELLING BEE

Congratulations to **Noa G and Edie M**, who proudly represented Berowra Public School in the Regional Spelling Bee Finals on Thursday 14th August.

Both students tackled some very challenging words with confidence and determination.

Although their time in the competition came to an end before the final rounds, they should be extremely proud of their efforts and the way they represented our school.

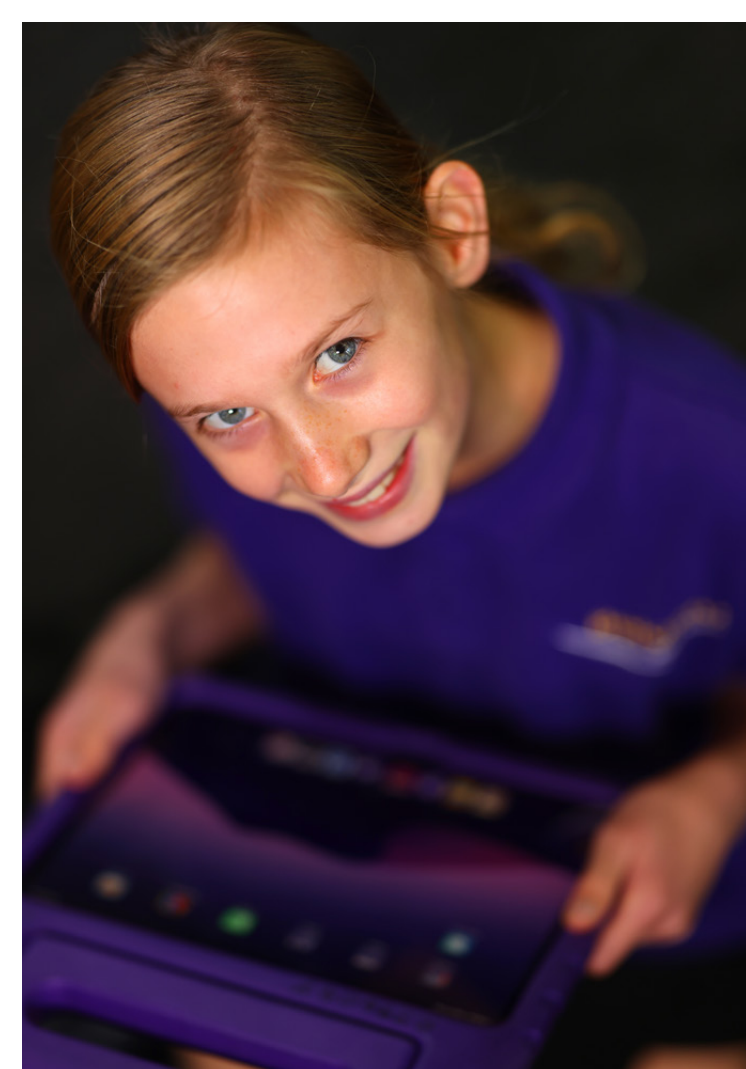
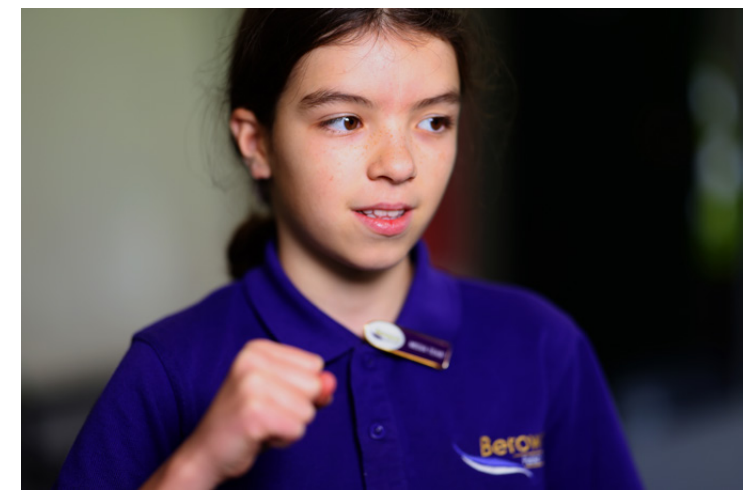
Well done, Noa and Edie!



YEAR 5

Media TEAM

This year's Year 5 Media Team is a team like no other. They are able to drive complex and multi-layered film projects **ON THEIR OWN**. They are directors, script writers set designers and camera operators but more importantly they are **PRODUCERS**.





BPS and the P&C Present an Author Visit with...

MORRIS GLEITZMAN

Hey kids in Years 3-6!

Get ready for an exciting day at Berowra Public School because the amazing author Morris Gleitzman is coming to visit! He'll be sharing stories about his fantastic books and the adventures behind them. Don't miss this chance to meet a real-life author and learn about his writing process. Bring your questions and get inspired to unleash your own creativity!



**ONLY \$6 PER CHILD
THANKS TO THE
GENEROUS
DONATION FROM
OUR P&C**

TUESDAY 2ND SEPTEMBER

Bring a copy of your favourite Morris Gleitzman book so you can get it autographed!

**PLEASE CHECK SCHOOL BYTES FOR
FURTHER INFORMATION**

BOOK AN ADVENTURE

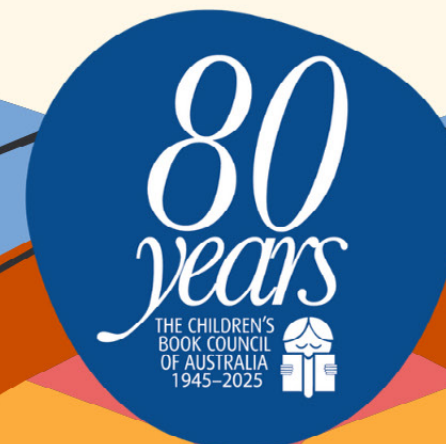
**Join us for the BPS Scholastic Book Fair and
our annual Book Week Costume Parade!**

**THURSDAY 11TH
SEPTEMBER
2025**



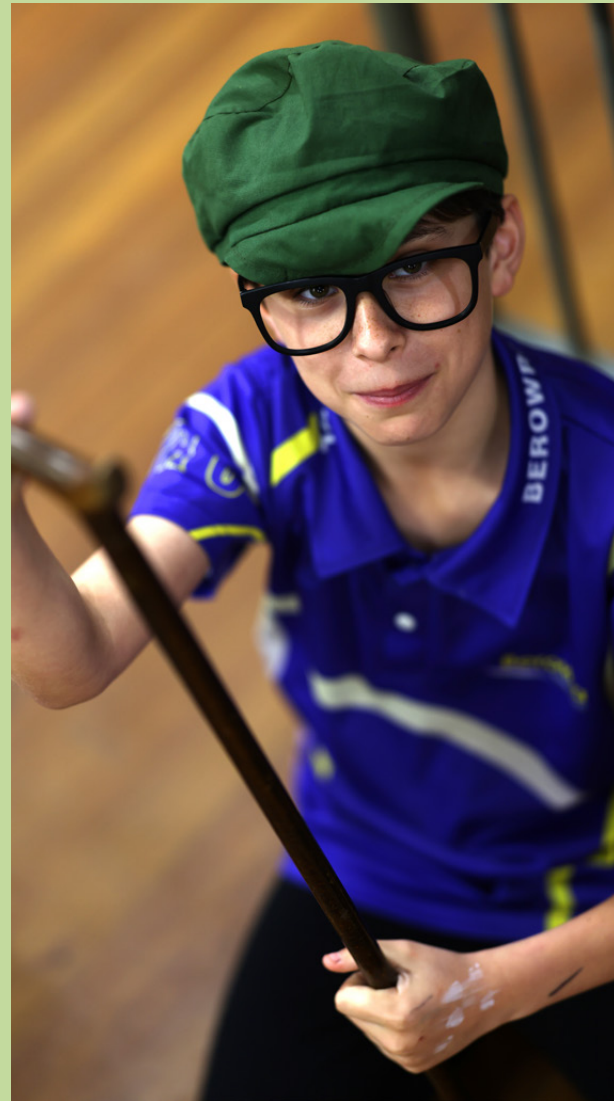
**Book Parade commencing 9:45am followed by to
buy and browse the amazing Scholastic Book
Fair Books followed by a Picnic Lunch @ 10:40.
Book Fair Closes at 1pm.**

**Students are invited to dress up as a
character from a book for our
Book Parade!**



DRAMA WITH MRS LUKUC





CHOIR AT THE CONCOURSE

Alison Withford
CHOIR TEACHER

On Thursday 21st August, 32 of our students took to the stage as part of the mass choir at the Sydney NorthWest Music Festival, held at The Concourse, Chatswood. Our choir worked incredibly hard to learn all seven songs and their parts, and their performance made Berowra Public School very proud. Thank you to all the parents and families who came along to share in this special occasion. It was a truly wonderful evening enjoyed by all.





HORNSBY ZONE ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

Berowra Public School had a fantastic day at the Hornsby Zone Athletics Carnival last Friday at Sydney Olympic Park. Despite the wet weather, our students showed incredible determination, sportsmanship and team spirit throughout the day. We are proud of their efforts and enthusiasm representing BPS with such positivity. Well done to all our zone competitors but an extra special congratulations to Molly

M-M (Jnr girls), Stephanie R (11 years girls) who were crowned age champions. In addition to this, Willow N, Jasper C, Cooper V and Liam B all qualified for Area which will take place on Monday 22 September (week 10).

STAGE 3 CAMP RECOUNTS

MY TRIP TO CANBERRA

Day 1 - On day one we had to arrive at school at 5:20am, no later. The buses left with all the kids on it at about 5:50am. We drove for about 2 hours and then we had a break. After another 2 hours we arrived at Canberra, and we went to the War Memorial. It was fun and cool to look at. We had more places to go to. We stopped at a playground and had our lunch but then we quickly went to the next place. We went to the Australian Mint and I have never seen so much money before. There was even a five dollar coin. It was amazing.

Then we went to the Canberra Exhibition which is where they show you a built model of Canberra and

you could also make your own design of Canberra. Then we went to our cabins and later had dinner and then we went to bed

Day 2 - First thing in the morning we had breakfast. After breakfast we went to Mount Ainslie lookout and it was cool, you could see the whole of Canberra from above, very cool. Then we went to Old Parliament House which had the Museum of Democracy and it was cool, we sat in the real life parliament seats. Then we saw sculptures and all the countries flags and it was amazing. Then we went to the National Gallery of Australia we saw a bunch of amazing artworks. That night we went to the AIS and there was

a bunch of sport activities to do - the best thing I've ever done before.
Jake R.

Day 3 - On day three we had to wake up at 6:30 AM and I was so tired. After breakfast we went to Parliament House and it was pretty cool. There was the biggest Australian flag ever on the flagpole. It was wider than a double decker bus and as tall as a double decker bus. After Parliament House we ate lunch at Lake George and then drove for about another 2 hours then stopped at McDonald's. I got 6 chicken Nuggets, medium chips and after that we drove another two hours and then we were home. Camp was amazing but I was happy to be home again.

MY TRIP TO CANBERRA - DIANA T

Day 1 - I remember waking up at 4:00 AM for camp, but I wasn't that tired since I had 9 hours of sleep. When we got on the bus it was still very dark outside. After waiting for four hours the first stop, was the War Memorial. It was actually so interesting to see old artefacts and replicas made. I have to say that the best part of the day was probably the mesmerising views that I got in the morning.

Day 2- On day 2 I heard Miss Roberts knock on the door and my eyes felt like they were glued shut. Everyone in the morning wasn't typically energetic which I found kind of funny. Old Parliament House was very interesting to learn about the background there and I found it kind of cool. But I have to say Questacon was on a whole different level, it was so much fun to hang out with my friends! Even the food that day was yummy.

Day 3 - Breakfast was the thing that I remember the most that day, all I have is compliments. It was great. Parliament House sparked my interest. There was almost nothing to get bored about but I think the portraits look very detailed and very exquisite.

Lastly we saved the best for last - McDonald's. When I was ordering I felt kind of excited because I had never been to McDonald's on a school day. After McDonald's it was home time.











MY TRIP TO CANBERRA BY ELLIANA W

As my alarm rang I knew it was camp today, I sprang onto my feet and before I knew it I was at school with my besties waiting at 5:30 AM for the bus. The first hour of the bus was spent being over tired and goofing around and the three others were a blur of having recess and watching movies.

When we got into Canberra we respectfully walked through the War Memorial and playfully ran through the nut playground. At the Canberra Exhibition Centre we learned so many things that my brain nearly burst. When we got to the motel, I was so tired I can't remember what happened next.

The next day, I woke in the motel and had breakfast. We hopped back on the bus and drove up to Mt Ainslie to take a cool big photo and it was freezing too. After that we went to the Museum of Australian

Democracy in the Old Parliament House and that was so cool and fun.

I think Questacon was my favourite thing overall, especially the gift shop. After an amazing dinner we headed to Sportex at the AIS, another of my favourite things. It had so many simulators and the mini basketball court which all the boys loved and I loved it too. On the third day I was ready to go home to sleep through the rest of the week. But we still had to go to Parliament House. I've already been there but still I learned something new. We jumped back on the bus heading our way back to Berowra. After an hour of bus stuff we stopped at Lake George to have lunch and then we jumped back on the bus again. The next stop was going to be my favourite food overall Maccas, it was so cheap and I had a happy meal.

As we headed back to Berowra with a full belly, I thought how lucky I am to have the

nicest parents and Stage 3 teachers.

MY TRIP TO CANBERRA BY VINNY M

Day 1 - We started off day one by going to the War Memorial and we learned about the past. Next, we went to a playground with giant equipment, instruments and climbing walls. After that we did the embassy tour which was really cool. My favourite embassy was Japan because of its cherry blossoms. Then we were off to the Australian Mint which was one of my favourite things because we got to design coins, play games and watch robots and people make real coins. Finally, we got to our cabins after a long day. The cabins were comfortable, spacious and they had lots of privacy.

Day 2-The day started off with breakfast, then straight back on the bus and we learned all about the structures around Canberra. Then we got to Mount Ainslie

which had a great lookout. Next was the age-old Parliament House which could have been better but it was a good learning opportunity. After we saw these really cool sculptures, there were also lots of flags that we had to try and name - Rafi won, he knew them all! Now it was time for my favourite thing of all Questacon! It was so fun. My favourite was this thing where you move the ball by walking. I was one of the people who beat it. There was also a game me and my friends glitched and beat the high score. After we went to the National Gallery of Australia where there was lots of cool art

Scholastic Book Fair at BPS

Thursday 11th September from 9am to 1pm

There are three ways to purchase books at this year's Book Fair.

1. **Purchase at the Book Fair** using EFTPOS (no cash accepted).

*Please note - If we run out of stock due to limited supplies - use the 'prefer not to queue' method below to order your books.

2. **Prefer not to queue** - If you come to the Book Fair but prefer not to queue, use the QR code displayed to pay - complete a pre-payment form/wish list stating the book titles ordered and the receipt number, then leave it in the pre-paid box. Your order will be filled and given to your child the week after the fair. (Do not take the books on Book Fair day)

3. **If you cannot attend the Book Fair** - pre-pay online using the [wish list brought home by your child the day/s prior](#) to the Book Fair. Students will browse at the Book Fair and create a wish list with their class during school time on the Tuesday and Wednesday of Week 8. If using this method, just add up the cost of the books you wish to purchase (cross out any books from their wishlist you don't want to purchase), pay online. Your child MUST return the wish list stating the book titles and the receipt number to their class teacher on Thursday 11th September (or prior).

Wish list orders will be filled and given to the students the week after the Book Fair.

We will not be accepting cash for the Book Fair. All purchases earn rewards for the school to go towards buying more books for our library to keep up with student interests and help to develop their love of reading.

Program for the day

9:00 - Book Fair opens

9:45 - Book Parade on the netball court

10:10 - Book Fair open for parents, classrooms visits, photo opportunity

10:40 - Lunch - Book Fair open, canteen serving food

11:30 - Students return to lessons. Book Fair remains open for parents.

1:00 - Book Fair closes

2:00 - Book Trivia for students on the netball court

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Transition to School Webinar for families



FREE
WEBINAR

The Northern Sydney Early and School Years team is excited to partner with Wayahead to offer a free **‘Transition to school webinar’** to assist parents and carers for a smooth and successful start to school.

This informative session will focus on understanding and managing childhood anxiety, with practical strategies to support your child through this important milestone. Topics include separation anxiety, the cycle of anxiety, strategies to manage and the “Small Steps” approach - helping children tackle their worries one step at a time.

Date: Wednesday, 10th September 2025

Two options available: 12pm - 1.15pm; or 7:15pm - 8.30pm

Location: Online via Zoom

Partnered with:



Scan QR code to register



12 - 1:15pm



7:15 - 8:30pm



Celebrate inclusivity and pride in Hornsby Shire with two free events.

**FRIDAY
29 AUGUST
3.00PM - 6.30PM**

Hornsby Library
Free. Bookings are essential.



hornsby.nsw.gov.au

Join us for one or both:

3PM – Connect over tea, chats and hands-on craft.

5PM – Join our pop-up choir, learn an iconic song and sing in a fun finale! No experience needed. Refreshments provided.



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BOOK AN ADVENTURE: CHILDREN'S BOOK WEEK 2025

3 FUN ACTIVITIES



1. TREASURE HUNT: LIVE SHOW

The educational and interactive musical adventure **Treasure Hunt** is coming to our library! Celebrating Children's Book Week® 2025 this live show incorporates songs and a selection of the **CBCA 2025 Shortlisted Books**.

Where: Hornsby Library
When: Friday 22 August, 4.30pm – 5.30pm
Age: 5+ years
(Children 10 and under must be accompanied by an adult)
Cost: Free
Bookings: Bookings essential.
Book online at hornsby.nsw.gov.au/library
or at any Hornsby Shire Libraries Branch

For booking details and further information on these events and more events in your library visit

hornsby.nsw.gov.au/library

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This fortnight's Smiling Mind focus is **Setting Goals**

At Home Activities

K-2

Making my dream come true

Just having a dream isn't enough, you need to know the steps to take in order to make the dream come true! Think about a dream that you have and write it down. Now think about what steps you need to do to help make your dream come true. Tick off each step once you have completed it!

Stage 2

My Goal Ladder

This activity will help you to visualize a goal and work out the steps you need to take in order to achieve it. Draw a ladder. At the top of the ladder write a goal that you want to achieve, on each rung of the ladder write the steps you will need to take in order to achieve that goal. Remember that like climbing a ladder, you need to take one step at a time in order to reach your goal.

Stage 3

My Goals

SMART goals are Specific, Measurable, Attainable, Realistic and Timely. Practise setting goals by writing down an education SMART goal and a personal SMART goal, and then write down the steps needed to accomplish each goal. Tick off each step as you complete it, and tune in to the sense of accomplishment that you feel as you do this.

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

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Hornsby Girls High School

SPRING FAIR

GAMES MUSIC FOOD & DRINK
ART & THRIFT AND LOTS MORE FUN

12 Edgeworth David Ave Hornsby 6th Sept 10:00am-3:00pm



Christmas Card Competition

Mr Julian Leeser, Federal Member of Parliament for Berowra, is delighted to invite you to take part in a Christmas card competition. The winning entry will be featured on the front of Mr Leeser's official Christmas card, and the three runner ups featured on the back. The card will be sent to local residents, community organisations and Members of Parliament.

THEME:
YOUR FAVOURITE
OUTDOOR PLACE TO VISIT
LOCALLY

Please use the Christmas artwork template provided and return to Mrs Lukic by

DUE: 13TH AUGUST