Welcome back to Term 4.
I hope that you all had a restful and happy break and are ready to move into what is usually the busiest term of the year.

On behalf of the school community I would like to welcome Mrs Barbara Lawrie to our school as a newly appointed School Administration Officer. Barbara has been working in the office for over a year as a casual and has just been appointed permanently.

Our Year 6 students are now into their final term of primary school which is very exciting and as a school we begin to plan ahead for the end of year festivities and for the beginning of 2015. Before we know it we will be celebrating student achievement on Presentation Day and saying farewell to our Year 6 students.

Our Kindergarten ‘Berowra Beginners’ program for 2015 Kindergarten students began this week. If you have missed out on this special event please contact the office immediately in order for us to include all students in this exciting program. The program is designed to assist the children to feel more relaxed and comfortable about starting at school next year by introducing them to the teachers and to their new friends in a enjoyable and informal manner.

Many thanks to all the parents who have taken time to complete the parent survey sent via email. This will help with our school management plan for 2015 – 2017.

NAIDOC Garden
Many thanks to Mrs Deb Pickering and the many parents/families/students that have supported the development of our NAIDOC Garden (located adjacent to the staff car park). This has been a huge project and it is now nearing completion. Thank you to all who have supported this project. It looks amazing.

George Blackwood
On behalf of all of BPS community I would like to extend our congratulations to George Blackwood, an ex-BPS student and Year 12 student at Asquith Boys. George has been selected for the under-19 Socceroos squad for the upcoming ASEAN Football Federation Youth Championships in Vietnam. He will also begin playing for Sydney FC in the National Youth League later this month.

Parents/students
If your child has any problems with another student at BPS, I ask that you allow us to follow up on this problem/issue. Please do not talk or approach the other student about any issue.

Congratulations:
· Ryan J (3/4B) – 1st in Australia and 1st in the world in Mathletics on 17th September.
· Ryan J (3/4B) – 4th in Australia and 22nd in the world in Mathletics on 7th October.
· Ryan J (3/4B) – 4th in Australia and 22nd in the world in Mathletics on 13th October.
· Riley B (4G) – 7th in Australia and 12th in the world in Mathletics on 13th October.
· Year 3/4B – 4th in Australia in Mathletics on 13th October.
· Year 4G – 8th in Australia in Mathletics on 13th October.
Classes for 2015
During Term 4 many parents begin to think about classes for the following year. The staff and I are concentrating on providing the best education for children in 2014, consequently plans for next year regarding teachers on certain grades are not in place. Please do not assume that teachers will remain on the same grade next year.
Requests for a particular teacher cannot be accommodated. I also ask parents not to attempt to pick and choose who they would like their child to be or not be with next year. Genuine and special reasons should be directed by phone, letter or interview to the principal. Class teachers or executive will not take requests for class placement next year. Naturally, parents will discuss their child’s needs with the class teacher but promises of classes and teachers will not be made by the 2013 class teacher. In short, see me if you have any concerns, but please trust the teachers and me to place your child in a class where they will have friends and learn in an engaging friendly atmosphere.
We are carefully monitoring our anticipated enrolments for 2015. Thanks to those who have already returned an enrolment form. Please contact the school for an enrolment package if you have a sibling yet to enrol or you are aware you will not be returning to BPS in 2015 and have not yet notified us.

Selective High Schools application
On Tuesday, 14th October, 2014 the online applications open for entry to Government Selective High Schools for Year 7 in 2016.
Application is required by mid November 2014 for parents or carers of Year 5 students who wish their children to be considered for placement in Year 7 at a selective high school in 2016.
Parents with internet access are requested to apply online. Online applications will be available from 14 October to 17 November 2014.
Application information is available on the Department’s internet at: www.schools.nsw.edu.au/Shsplacement
For parents without internet access a limited number of paper application forms will be available in government primary schools, selective high schools, network offices and NSW State Office at Bridge Street from 21 October 2014. Paper applications must be submitted to the student’s school principal by 17 November 2014.
All students seeking Year 7 entry to a selective high school in 2016 will be required to take the Selective High School Placement Test on the morning of Thursday 12 March 2015.

Donated Rep Shirts
The Uniform Shop arranged for our old rep shirts to be donated to a school in Africa. This photo, left, is of the excited boys wearing the shirts

Di Bower
Principal

CHOIR NEWS - Senior Choir (Year 3-6) will continue on MONDAYS at lunchtime this term. Please come to the hall straight after eating time.
Junior Choir (Years 1 & 2) will be on TUESDAYS at 1.05 in the hall. Your teachers will remind you.
Both choirs are preparing performances for the fete and our end of year special assemblies so be sure to come along and join in the fun!

Mrs Sheldon

UNIFORM SHOP NEWS - Term 4 already!! Ride arm bands for BPS Fair will be available for the Uniform Shop from Thursday 16th October for $25 (pre-purchase price) or $30 on the day of the Fair.
This week is the start of the Beginners Group Program for Kindergarten 2015. If you are a new parent and need new uniforms, make your way to the Uniform Shop and check out Australian Red Cross Blood Service is coming to Berowra Community Centre on Tuesday 28th October Wednesday 29th October Thursday 30th October
1:30pm - 6:30pm
Drink up! Have 3 or 4 glasses of water or juice in the hours before you donate
Eat! Have a good sized meal beforehand
Bring photo ID or your blood donor card with you
Roll up your sleeves and give blood
Please phone 13 14 95 to make an appointment
everything. The “Starter Packs” were a great success last year so we will be offering them again and they are becoming a permanent item. Remember, this takes all the stress out of purchasing uniforms for new families. The cost of the Starter Pack is $200.

Don’t forget, as an addition, we will be introducing a “Sibling Starter Pack”. These will contain ONE full uniform (for either boys or girls) and will be particularly useful for families who have older children at school and will be handing down some uniforms to the Kindy child. Prices will be advised as soon as possible.

Now for the really BIG NEWS. The Uniform Shop is getting EFTPOS! Soon we will be able to process all your credit card and direct debit purchases on the spot. We should have the new system up and running within the next few weeks.

Hats are now to be worn in the playground so it’s timely to remind you of the hats we have available. Formal hats are $25 each or casual hats can be purchased for $15 each or a special of $25 for 2. These are perfect for putting in the bottom of the bags in case one gets misplaced.

Just a friendly reminder—the Uniform Shop is staffed by volunteer mums who willingly give up their time to assist. Please be mindful of this when you have any dealings with our volunteers. We understand that it is a small room and it can get quite busy and sometimes frustrations can boil over. We are all parents, we all have children, we all understand the need of getting the correct uniform. Please remember that without the volunteers there would be no Uniform Shop.

**Band 2015**

**Instrument Try outs!**

**Don’t Miss Out on Your Favourite Instrument!**

Instrument try-outs for Band 2015 in the Hall . . .

Monday 20th October, 3:00 – 3:45pm – Year 2 students only

Wednesday 22nd October, 9.00 – 9.30 am – ALL interested students Years 2 – 5

Wednesday 29th October, 9.00 – 9.30 am – ALL interested students Years 2 – 5

Take this fantastic opportunity to give your children the gift of a lifetime – MUSIC!

School instruments available are flutes, clarinets, saxophones, cornets, trumpets, baritone, euphonium and trombones.

Anyone interested in percussion or keyboard or if you have questions please contact the Band Director, Mrs Liz Thomson via email bps-band@hotmail.com or through the school office.

**Diary Dates**

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**ENROL NOW FOR KINDERGARTEN 2015**

Enrolments for Kindergarten are well underway.

If your child or you know of a child ready to start school next year make sure they are enrolled. Our orientation programs began this term with the Kindy Fun Day.

Berowra Beginners Program commences Week 2 Term 4 and Orientation Day 13th November.

For more information contact the school office on 9456 1319.
Hand Items. If you have any summer uniforms that you would like to donate, please drop them into the shop. A reminder that whilst we appreciate all donations, please remember that we CAN NOT accept hats, underpants, socks or shoes.

Uniform Shop Roster -

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CANTEEN - A new menu will be distributed shortly. Don’t forget the Ice Cream Day on Tuesday 21st October. Orders to the canteen by Friday 17th October please.

Because this term is so busy with camps for Stage 2 and Stage 3 as well as excursions, Presentation Day and the K-2 Concert, it has been decided that there will be NO milk orders this term.

Milk orders will recommence Term 1 2015.

Canteen Roster

| Wed 15/10      | R Walton, C Cook, N Lewandoski |
| Thurs 16/10    | C Chu, F Minto               |
| Fri 17/10      | T Pearce                     |
| Wed 22/10      | S Vaughan, H Tyler           |
| Thurs 23/10    | M Triebel                    |
| Fri 24/10      | K Wallis, B Barton           |
| Wed 29/10      | D Allan, P Smith, T Carlson  |
| Thurs 30/10    | C Chu, F Minto               |
| Fri 31/10      | T Pearce                     |

BPS Fair - Saturday 8th November

2nd hand clothing - Donations can be left at the office. Please contact Tara on 0411 882 861 if you have any enquiries.

Please return raffle tickets to the office or BOOSH Cottage. There are great prizes for people who sell the most raffle tickets.

Ride Bands are available from the uniform shop for $25. $30 if you buy at the fair.

Start collecting that trash n treasure together. We’ll advise soon of drop off dates.

Eliza and Caitlin

During the school holidays Eliza O (4G) and Caitlin J (2R) both attended the Australian Irish Dancing Championships in Canberra. We would like to congratulate them on coming 5th place for their 8-hand team dance. They performed amazingly for their first National Championships!

Community News

LOST - a set of Toyota car keys lost between parking on Hillcrest Road and BPS uniform shop.

If anyone finds them please call 0411 361 920 or hand them into the school office.

Thank you.

Pink Ribbon Morning Tea

Thursday 30th October
9.30am at BOOSH Cottage

Bring a friend, bring a donation, wear something pink and come enjoy a tea or coffee, cake and a chat.

Lucky door and raffle prizes to be won.
Preschoolers welcome.

See you there!!
**MONEY COLLECTION DAYS**

Please note that money collection days at Berowra Public School are **Tuesdays and Thursdays only**.

For security of payments it would be appreciated if money **only** be sent to school on these days in a signed payment envelope.

We have only two days a week allocated to receipt money so please remind your child to give it to their teacher in the morning as receipting and banking are completed during the day. Correct money is appreciated as the office is unable to hold change.

**Please do not hand payments in after school.** Handing money into the office may result in confusion and your child’s name not being marked off as paid for sport, excursions and activities.

Any payments for the choir, drama, interschool sport or extra curricular activities as well as P&C or Support Group fundraisers and the canteen special lunch days can also be handed to the class teacher, but please include these in separate envelopes and with separate payment.

Thank you for your cooperation.

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**THE ATHLETE’S FOOT HORNSBY**

**REWARDS PROGRAM IS A PROUD SUPPORTER OF BEROWRA PS**

The School Rewards Program is a great fundraising opportunity with $5 from every pair of shoes purchased being donated back to your school. This applies to the whole family across our fantastic range of school, sports, work and casual shoes. Ask one of our friendly staff in store for more details.

**$5 FROM EVERY PAIR OF SHOES PURCHASED IS DONATED BACK TO YOUR SCHOOL**

LOWER GROUND FLOOR
WESTFIELD SHOPPINGTOWN

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**Class Awards**

15 Sept - 10 Oct

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Beginner Recorder Ensemble 2015

Registrations are now open for the beginner recorder classes for 2015. Sign up now to reserve a place for your child.

For more details please refer to the note available from the school office or contact me at sue.thorv@gmail.com.

Please register by 1st December, 2014.

Sue Thorvaldson
Recorder Ensemble Director

BPS String Ensemble 2015

The BPS String Ensemble is looking for new members for 2015. Students who are learning violin, viola, cello or double bass are encouraged to join us.

In 2015 the string ensemble will cater for players from beginners to more advanced students. A highlight for 2015 will be the chance to play on the stage of the Sydney Opera House in The Festival of Instrumental Music.

For more details or to register please contact me at sue.thorv@gmail.com. Please register by 1st December, 2014 if you wish your child to be involved in the Festival of Instrumental Music.

Sue Thorvaldson
BPS String Ensemble Director
Cowan Public School

75th Anniversary

Start at 12.30pm
Official Ceremony at 5.00pm
Bush Dance
6.00pm to finish at 8.00pm

Saturday
25th October

Cowan Public School
Chandler Avenue, Cowan

BBQ all day, Food Stalls, Market Stalls, Showbags, Raffles,
Silent Auctions, Jumping Castles, Face Painting,
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- **Age Group:** 4 years to 12 years
  (School Year 6, 2014)
- **When:** Saturdays from 1st November 2014 to 21st March 2015, 30 min lesson
- **Water Temperature:** constant 27°C
- **Season Cost:** $100 for 1 child, $155 for 2 children, $180 for 3 or more children
  (plus $17.50 insurance per child payable to Swimming NSW)
- **Enrolments:** Saturday 25th October 2014 at 1:00 pm – 2:30 pm
  (or on later Saturdays from November) at the Bush School pools.
  New enrolments should wear a swimsuit for grading.
- **Enquiries:** Frances Simpson-Lee 9489 1579
  Carolyn Cross 9489 2415
  Liz Wright bushschoollts@gmail.com
- **Website:** www.bushschoollts.org

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**FREE HEALTH FORUM**
 Hear what’s happening & have your say

- Northern Sydney Local Health District
  and the Peak Community & Consumer Participation Council invite you to a Community Forum to share and discuss proposals for new ways to organise and deliver health services from the Harbour to the Hawkesbury.
- Join us in developing partnerships that connect local health services and the communities we serve.
- Raise questions and issues, share experiences and make suggestions about improving health care.

**DATE:** Wednesday, 12 November 2014
**TIME:** 9.00am - 3.00pm
**AP:** Hornsby RSL 4 High St, Hornsby
**RSVP:** silvia.austen@health.nsw.gov.au

For more information please call Pete Whitecross 0462 9487

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- Diploma of Education

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Children aged between 4-6 years of age
Classes held on Tuesdays & Fridays
10.30 - 11.30
7 Weeks $105.00 all materials included
No refunds for missed classes

**AFTER SCHOOL CLASSES**
Children aged between 5-12 years of age

**Classes held on**
Mondays & Tuesdays
4.00 - 5.15pm

- 8 Week $150.00
- all materials included

**20TH OCT- 9TH DEC**
No refunds for missed classes

BOOK NOW TO SECURE A PLACE TERM 4 2014
AFL family fun day

Activity for children 4 to 13 years old.

Come and join us and learn AFL skills by playing fun games with other families. Meet AFL accredited coaches and have an exciting and enjoyable family fun day!

Activities include:

- Basic AFL skills and games
- Show bags with a football and information of local services
- Morning tea and picnic

Details

When: Sunday 16 November from 9am to 11am
Where: James Park, Corner of Low and Palmerston Roads, Hornsby
Cost: Free
Bookings: Book online at hornsby.nsw.gov.au/childrensfamilies

What to bring:

- Drinks, hats and sun protection
- Chairs or picnic blankets
- Wear suitable sports footwear

Children must be supervised by an adult for the whole duration of the event. This event will be cancelled if raining.

For more information visit hornsby.nsw.gov.au

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Wildcats

Attention YR 6 Parents!

We’re inviting all YR 6 Kids to attend Wildcats Youth Group in Term 4.

We understand that moving from Primary School into High School can be a big transition for kids; so we look to offer a small step in between.

Wildcats is for all High School aged Young People in YR’s 7 – 12.

WHERE: Unit 4/ 67 - 71 Jersey St, Hornsby
WHEN: 730pm-930pm Every Friday of the School Term

For more details visit www.cch.net.au/youth/

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Key points to remember around schools

Driving and parking safely near the school

School opening and closing hours are busy times for pedestrian and vehicular traffic outside the school.
Always take extra care in 40km/h school zones, which operate on gazetted school days.
Park safely even if it means walking further to the school gate.
Observe all parking signs. They are planned with children’s safety in mind.
NEVER double park as it puts children at risk.
Model safe and considerate behaviour for your child – they will learn from you.

Slow down near the school crossing.
At a supervised crossing, observe the directions of the school crossing supervisor.
Always park and turn legally around the school.
Avoid dangerous manoeuvres such as U-turns and three-point turns.
Always give way to pedestrians particularly when entering and leaving driveways.
Avoid parking across the school driveway or the entrance to the school car park.
Using your school’s drop off and pick up facility will help keep all children as safe as possible during the busiest times of the school day.
Avoid parking in or near the school bus bay.

SCHOOL
ZONE
8 - 9:30 AM
2:30 - 4:00 PM
SCHOOL
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