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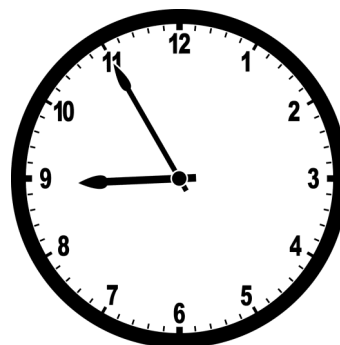


From The Principal's Desk

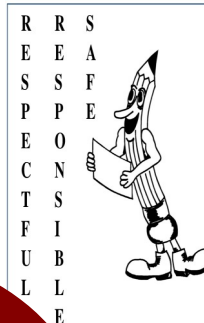
Everyday- School starts at 8.55am!

- Sat 24 Nov-** Local government elections held today – BWPS open as polling booth
- Mon 26 Nov-** NAIDOC Public speakers in Dubbo for state finals– good luck girls!
- Wed 28 Nov-** 2.10pm MALPA Boori Doctors graduation ceremony
- Thurs 29 Nov-** 11am 2018 Scripture teacher and school parent helpers morning tea in library
- Mon 3 Dec-** Special Swim Scheme begins for identified students 8yrs and up– permission note required
- Tues 4 Dec-** Official High School Orientation Day for all Yr 6 students at their 2019 high schools– parents to accompany their children to and from their respective high schools
- Wed 5 Dec-** 2.10pm School assembly in hall– Class 5/6G item– all welcome!!!
- Thurs 6 Dec-** 2pm BWPS End of Year Concert (K-2/3S's classes)
- Wed 12 Dec-** 2.10pm Aboriginal Student Award Presentations in Aboriginal Education room (Old hall)- parents/family of students invited
- Fri 14 Dec-** Semester 2 student reports coming home with students today
- Mon 17 Dec-** 9am 2018 Annual School Presentation Day– all welcome! Come and help us acknowledge the outstanding students at BWPS for 2018!

6pm Year 6 Farewell– Dapto Leagues Club– see further information coming home on a separate note
- Wed 19 Dec-** Last day for 2018 for all students– students may be out of uniform– donations of old (non-fitting) school uniforms appreciated
- Tues 29 Jan 2019-** Teachers only return for the start of 2019
- Wed 30 Jan 2019-** Students return to school for 2019



PLEASE RESPECT THE HEALTH CARE NEEDS OF OUR STUDENTS BY NOT PACKING EGGS, PEANUTS or PRODUCTS CONTAINING PEANUTS IN YOUR CHILD'S LUNCHBOX!



Upcoming Events Principal's Award

Congratulations to Dominic K for receiving the Principal's Award this week for being respectful, responsible and safe at school. As well as his certificate, Dominic will enjoy a \$3.00 food voucher to spend at the canteen and he got to sit on stage at today's school assembly.



Keep up the great work Dominic!

Inappropriate Behaviour on Social Media by Students

One thing schools shouldn't have to deal with is follow-up misbehaviour from students at school because of aggressive or hurtful behaviour taking place online from home. If parents are allowing their children to

have social media accounts, there should be very close monitoring of what their children are posting and who they are communicating with. How are you supervising your child's online behaviour?

If your Berkeley West child becomes the victim of any aggressive or nasty behaviour online, and has not been aggressive themselves in any way, you can screen shot what has been communicated and bring it to school for our information and possible disciplinary action. However, please note that the other child's family will also be invited to do the same if they have any evidence of inappropriate behaviour online.

If any online behaviour is seriously inappropriate, parents are advised to report matters to the police.

What is Numeracy?

Children develop numeracy skills when they use mathematical ideas in everyday situations. You may feel that mathematics is different from when you were at school or is taught in a different way, and you are probably right! There are still many ways that you can help and support your child at home in the development of their numeracy skills.

- Talk to your child about numbers, scores, totals, percentages, possibilities, prices, directions, weights, distances, shapes, patterns, sizes etc.
- Talk to your child's teacher about the classroom program and what you can do at home.
- Talk to your child about the mathematics they bring home from school.
- Support your child's teachers by attending parent-teacher interviews and information evenings.
- Encourage your child to ask questions like these to help them make sense of their numerate world:
 - How much is there?
 - Will there be enough?
 - How many?
 - How did you work that out?
 - How do you know that?
 - Does it fit?
 - Is it likely to happen?
 - What might happen if...?
 - Which way will I go?
 - How big is it?
 - Could you work it out another way?

If you worked it out another way could you still get the same answer?

The strongest message is to talk to your child and to create opportunities for them to use their mathematical knowledge in a variety of situations.

Numeracy

Helping your child with measuring length and area

You can help at home with your child's understanding of length and area with the following activities:

- Use modelling dough to roll out two "snakes" of different length. Talk about one snake being shorter, and the other longer
- Roll out two snakes that are the same length. Turn one into a zigzag or curved snake. Ask your child, *which snake is longer?*
- Walk around objects and talk about how many steps it takes
- Draw squiggle patterns and ask your child to colour in the "closed" areas.

"Berkeley West Paint and Play" Playgroup

A **free** playgroup for children 0-5 years and their parents/carers is open **every Friday morning** during school term from 9.15-10.45am at Berkeley West Public School in the preschool room. Absolutely free! All welcome! See you and your kids there!

Call 4272 1422 during school hours if you have any questions.

***Attendance Cup!**

Well done to 2/3S and KK for taking out the Attendance Cup over the last two school weeks! Can your class win the cup next week? Do your bit, be at school every day!



Keep Your Children Safe This Christmas

Christmas trees, decorations & lights, small Christmas decorations are particularly fascinating for young children. Make sure they are kept out of reach as they may pose choking hazards.

Remember that Christmas trees can tip over when tugged. Christmas lights can also pose electrical hazards for inquisitive young children.

For advice on how to make your Christmas safe call Kidsafe on (02) 9845 0890.

School Uniform

Just a reminder that all students must wear a hat at school. Students without a hat will not be permitted to play in the open and will be restricted to shaded areas under cover only.

Starting Kindergarten 2019

Our school has been taking kindergarten enrolments for quite a while now for 2019!

If you have a child starting kindergarten next year, or know someone with a child starting kinder next year, please come to school and pick up an enrolment form. Forms can either be completed at school or taken home and dropped off later. The important thing is that we know about new students so that they can be considered for class placements in 2019.

School Email List

If you would like to receive special announcements,

news, school newsletters and other school business from time to time via email, register online at-

<https://www.goo.gl/forms/uzk5qpKhDGFbrNCp2>

Holiday planning

Holiday camps are a great way for kids—7-12 years or 13 and over—to have an adventure and make new friends in a supervised environment. Packages include accommodation, activities and meals. Bookings are now open at camps across NSW.

Find out more: <http://www.dsr.nsw.gov.au/kidscamps/>

Safety around school crossings

Ensure that your child always uses the school crossing as this is the safest point of entry to the school.

Where there is a school crossing supervisor at a school crossing, pedestrians must wait on the footpath, at least one step back from the edge of the road, until the school crossing supervisor indicates that it is safe to cross.

Drivers must not proceed until the crossing supervisor's hand-held sign is no longer displayed, or until the crossing supervisor indicates that the motorist may proceed through the crossing.

At an unsupervised children's crossing when 'CHILDREN CROSSING' flags are displayed, drivers must stop at the white line if pedestrians are waiting to cross at the crossing. Drivers must remain stationary until the crossing is completely clear of pedestrians.

Drivers need to know that a children's crossing is a part-time crossing that operates before and after school hours, and at times when children are using the crossing, such as for excursions or during lunchtimes.

Speech Pathology Services in the Illawarra

To make a referral or for more information contact Port Kembla Hospital on 4223 8044 or Kids Cottage Warilla on 4297 1022.

Have you been SunSmart at home too?

Don't forget to help your family be SunSmart too!!

1. **Slip** on sun protective clothing with collars and sleeves
2. **Slap** on broad brimmed hats
3. **Slop** on 30+ broad-spectrum water-resistant sunscreen
4. Use **shade** as much as possible
5. Wear **sunglasses** if happy to do so

Go to the Cancer Council website to find out more: www.cancercouncil.com.au/primary

Slip



Slop



Slap



Seek



Slide



What's On at your local high school Illawarra Sports High

Illawarra Sports High participated in the All Sports High Schools Athletics Carnival at Sydney Olympic Park.

Our students represented in many aspects of the events and had a great day.



Photo: Sydney Morning Herald

Ex-student of the ISHS Targeted Sports Program, Caitlin Foord scored her first international hat-trick in the game against Chile this week. The Matildas won 5-0.
Well Done Caitlin



Class	Student of the Fortnight	Reason
KG	Mortaza Ataee	Improved effort in writing.
KK	Bella-Rose Veigel	Excellent effort in reading and writing
K/1H	Narvaunte Purcell	For settling well in to Berkeley West Public School.
1/2J	Lachlan McGuinness	Always following school rules, being a respectful, responsible and safe student.
2/3S	Harley Williamson	For always demonstrating a positive attitude towards his learning.
3/4DL	Callie Bright	For consistently working hard.
3/4F	Kasey James	Excellent effort when writing poetry.
5/6G	Blake Buxton-Hurd	For his interesting contributions during reading groups.
5/6H	Amber Chase	For pleasant manners to all students, staff and visitors.

READ WITH ME CLUB 2018

We are coming to the end of another year of the Read With Me Club. Remember to try to return your sheets by Friday 7th December to be eligible for the 300 Club award.

Congratulations to the following students who have been reading all year and are well on their way to the 300 Club!

Read With Me 100 Club	Class
Amelia Cooper	KG

Read With Me 150 Club	Class
Levi Morrison	KG
Taliyah Morrison	3/4DL
Liam Rodriguez	5/6G

Read With Me 200 Club	Class
Aseel Ambarek	KK
Mike Saengsuwan	1/2J
Bella Marskell	2/3S

Read With Me 250 Club	Class
Bailee Ashfield	KG
Kate Courtin Benjamin Moon Tori Williamson Savannah Smith	KK
Brenna Davis Mimi Papandrea	K/1H
Phoenix Forster	1/2J
Erik Sefton Harley Williamson Jaryck Smith	2/3S
Lachlan Magnee	3/4DL
Wyatt Ayers Martin Stupka	3/4F
Hana Stupka	5/6G
Cooper Matthews Nicholas Ayers Nelson Maltby Erin Papandrea Isabella Anderson	5/6H

3/4F “What’s Happening”

This term is flying by and 3/4F have been lucky enough to have Miss Latif in our classroom for the past 3 weeks. She is a student from the University of Wollongong and is in her 2nd year of a teaching degree. The students have enjoyed showing Miss Latif what they have been learning and were eager to take part in the poetry and maths lessons she has taught. We hope you enjoy reading some of the poetry that has been created.


Perfect for sleeping as still as the night
 Important as food
 Lovely at night
 Lets you go to sleep
 Outside of reality
 Will help you sleep
 By Angus

I went to the fridge
 I opened the door
 There on the shelves
 Inside I saw
 Ten big fat knees
 With fifteen blocks of cheese
 And on the fifteen blocks of cheese
 There was a smelly breeze
 And I sneezed because of the smell cheese.
 Ugh allergies!
 By Yasmine

Peaceful sleeping
 In a warm bed
 Leaves swaying in the wind
 Let your head rest
 On a warm pillow like a blanket
 Wishing your dreams come true
 By Huntah

Dhanagang running through the forest
 Hunting for burus
 Animals running around the gundu
 Rain is falling onto ganbi
 A man and a lady are going madjari
 Wild mirni runs around the bubara
 Laying down under a gundu
 By Kasey

Swim Scheme
 Swim Scheme notes have gone home to the eligible students in Years 2-6. Please be prompt in returning the notes and money in a clearly labeled envelope. Ensure that the note is filled in correctly with your child's name on it. No late notes can be accepted beyond the 23rd of November. The Swim Scheme program is held at Berkeley Pool and provides essential swimming skills in accordance with your child's needs.



A big THANKYOU from Year 6!! We hope you had fun taking a peek into the future and dressing up as the job you might like to do. It looks like we are going to see some very hardworking and dedicated soccer players, builders, teachers, hairdressers, astronauts, paleontologists and many, more in the future! You helped raise \$167 to go towards the farewell and we are very grateful!



Parent Library Opening Hours

Week	Monday with K/1H	Tuesday 2 nd Half Lunch	Wednesday After School Assembly
7	2:30-3:00pm 26/11/2018	11:30-11:50am 27/11/2018	
8	Return Library Books		
9	Return Library Books		
10	Return Library Books		

Please note during opening hours Parents/Caregivers are encouraged to borrow with their child.

FAIR FUNDING WOULD MEAN:

Smaller class sizes, more one-on-one support, additional teachers and support staff, more support for children with disability or behavioural needs.

The Australian Labor Party has pledged to reverse the Scott Morrison Liberal-National Government cuts to public schools and make the largest investment ever into our public schools.

State	Extra funding between 2020-2022
ACT	\$57 million extra
NSW	\$917 million extra
NT	\$41 million extra
QLD	\$647 million extra
SA	\$256 million extra
TAS	\$52 million extra
VIC	\$804 million extra
WA	\$501 million extra
TOTAL	\$3.275 BILLION

FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT
WWW.FAIRFUNDINGNOW.ORG.AU



AUSTRALIA
\$14 BILLION EXTRA
OVER THE NEXT 10 YEARS

Thank you for supporting the NSW Teachers Federation's Fair Funding Campaign. Our public schools, your children, deserve the funding they need. Head to fairfundingnow.org.au or speak with Miss Gabriel for more information.

Lunch Ideas



Breakfast Club helpers needed!
 Please come and help provide our kids with a healthy breakfast.
 When: Every morning at 8.30am.
 Where: Breakfast club room next to the Preschool.



MORE INFO:

- Follow: @lookatlunches
- Receive fortnightly e-newsletters by sending your name, email address and postcode to lookatlunches@gmail.com

Lets Look at Lunches is a Northern NSW Local Health District resource.