



Principal's Report

Our boat has finally come in! It looks fantastic and how wonderful to have all that beautiful sand to play in. It is still a long way off from completion but it will be great to be able to watch the next stages progress. It's just what a school by the river needs!! A very big thank you to Chris Haywood for coordinating the project and thanks also go to the many donations of materials which have been made. It certainly is a team effort!

The girls had a fabulous day at the regional **OZ Tag** finals yesterday. The girls' team placed third in the North Sydney Region! Very impressive for two small schools! What a terrific combined effort on the part of our girls and the girls from Cowan Public School.

What a great day was had by all at the **Colour Fun Run** last Friday!! The weather was on our side and the children had an incredible time running around the school and getting covered in a rainbow of colours! I think the teachers had more fun being on the end of those spray bottles! Thank you for the very generous donations. We have raised over \$4000 for the school! This will be very carefully spent on purchasing furniture and resources for classrooms and the library.

The next, and last, **P&C Meeting** for the year will be held on Tuesday 28 November at 6.30pm. It would be great to see you there as we wrap up the year and look back on all the wonderful support that the parents and citizens have provided for this great school.

There are still some **Semester 1 and 2 Fees** outstanding which is a little challenging as we try to balance our budget for the year. Thank you to all those families who show their support in so many ways, one of which is to be prompt in the payment of any amounts owing to the school. It is my hope that we can continue to provide the amazing educational experiences that we do but unless we have the money to pay for the invoices that come to us, we may have to limit the programs on offer at the school. This would be a tragedy.

Tomorrow, our year 5 students will be delivering their **speeches** to the school as they endeavour to put forward the reasons why they should be voted as a leader for 2018. I know the students have been busily preparing their 'campaigns' and it is wonderful to see their energy and sincerity as they offer to do their very best for the students at our school.

Good luck everyone!

All for now

Diana Aitken



From the Library Shelves

THANK YOU to all our Grandparents, parents and family friends who supported the recent Book Fair.

The Children's Bookshop, Beecroft, set up a wonderful selection of books in the library.

We very much appreciate those families who donated books to the school library.

The school receives a percentage of the total book sales which is being used to purchase student requests for the library.

Important dates to remember:

Wednesday 29 November is the final day for borrowing from the library shelves for 2017.

Wednesday 6 December is the day that all library books need to be returned.

Overdue notes will be sent home. The Department of Education requires all school libraries to conduct a stocktake and account for school resources.

Please round up Brooklyn School library books and return in library bags.

Thank you

Margaret Bull

The final P&C Meeting for 2017 will be held on Tuesday November 28

Join us in the School Library for a 6.30pm start.

Looking forward to seeing everyone there—Jane Jaggs President



Important Dates

Dec 1	Band Workshop
Dec 4	BPS Band Recording Day
Dec 7	School Concert
Dec 11	Year 6 Dinner "Estuary"
Dec 13	EOY Presentation Assembly
Dec 14	Milson Island Fun Day
Dec 15	School's out for summer



Jan 30	2018 School Year—Students return
Feb 1	2018 Kindergarten commences
Feb 2	School Swimming Carnival

BOOK REVIEWS

Tiny Timmy MAKES THE GRADE! The author is Tim Cahill and the illustrator is Heath Mckenzie. The publisher is SCHOLASTIC.

Tiny Timmy has worked hard and his hard work paid off! He's a star in his team and now the REP coach is keen to get him in the squad! But it's a big step up... because the kids in his new team are faster and stronger. Timmy will have to keep training hard and if he's given a chance he'll have to take it.

This is Book Two in the series. I recommend this book for anyone who is a soccer fan like me. The illustrations are black and white and entertaining.

Reviewed by Jack O'hehir - Year 5



Tiny Timmy ON TOUR! The author is Tim Cahill and the illustrator is Heath Mckenzie. The publisher is SCHOLASTIC.

Tiny Timmy (Tim Cahill as a kid) and his team are going on a soccer tour and they'll be away for a week without seeing their parents. They will be travelling and playing soccer matches just like a professional team! What could be better? Timmy has never been away for long before without seeing his parents. Will he play the best he can or will he miss being with his parents too much?

This book is part of a series. I recommend this book for people who like soccer. I really enjoyed reading it.

By John Bottomley - Year 5





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Its All Smooth Water Now

The Senior Girls Oz Tag Team went to Dural Park for the finals. Our team was made up of the senior girls from Cowan and Brooklyn. We played 5 games, we lost two, tied one and won two.

Our Brooklyn team was transported to and from the field in the Hanson car. We all got slushies on the way back to celebrate getting 3rd place in the whole of North Sydney! We are very proud of our small team and Mr Iles was very proud of us too.

Team members,

Katie, Lily and Samara



**Congratulations to the Combined Brooklyn Cowan Girls
OzTag team.**

3rd Place in the North Sydney OzTag Gala Day



**Lily
Samara
Zoe
Maddison
Katie
Dorothy
Annie
Charlotte
Grace
Amber
Daisy
"AllStars"
with
Mario
Fenech**



Milson Island Fun Day!

To celebrate the end of a great year, all students are invited to attend our Milson Island Fun Day to be held on **Thursday, 14 December 2017**. On the day, students will be transported by ferry up to Milson Island for a day of fun activities, hosted by the Sport and Recreation staff.

2:30-Arrival back at Brooklyn Wharf and walk back to school.

Student Group	Years K/1/2	Years 3/4/5/6
Activity	Water Novelty Events (Buckets/Hoses/Ankle Deep Water)	Pool Tabloids (Water Activity)

Cost: \$15

Please return the permission note below. As part of Milson Island requirements, all participants must have filled out a Sport and Rec Medical and Consent Form which can be found at: <https://sportandrecreation.nsw.gov.au/facilities/medicalandconsentform>
Booking Number: **530936**

We are looking forward to a wonderful day to celebrate a great year!

Joel Iles
Coordinator

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Milson Island Fun Day: Please return to CLASS TEACHERS by Tuesday 5th December, 2017.

☐ I give permission for my son / daughter _____ in Yr _____
(Childs name) (class)

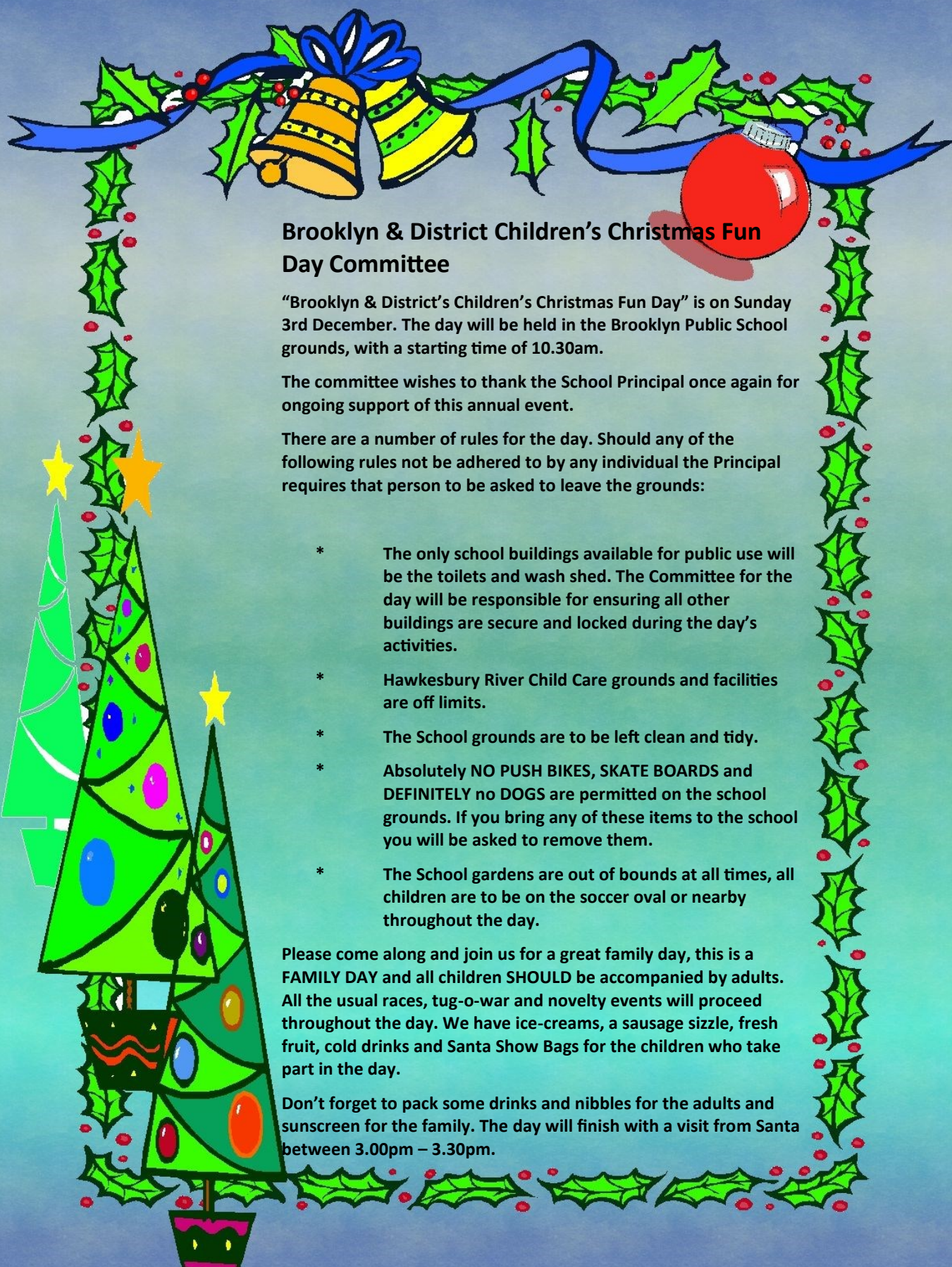
to attend Milson Island Fun Day.

☐ I enclose payment of \$15 : Cash/Cheque☐ I have paid \$15 online: Receipt number:

☐ I wish for my child **not** to participate in water activities.

(Parent/Caregiver's signature)

(date)



Brooklyn & District Children's Christmas Fun Day Committee

"Brooklyn & District's Children's Christmas Fun Day" is on Sunday 3rd December. The day will be held in the Brooklyn Public School grounds, with a starting time of 10.30am.

The committee wishes to thank the School Principal once again for ongoing support of this annual event.

There are a number of rules for the day. Should any of the following rules not be adhered to by any individual the Principal requires that person to be asked to leave the grounds:

- * The only school buildings available for public use will be the toilets and wash shed. The Committee for the day will be responsible for ensuring all other buildings are secure and locked during the day's activities.
- * Hawkesbury River Child Care grounds and facilities are off limits.
- * The School grounds are to be left clean and tidy.
- * Absolutely NO PUSH BIKES, SKATE BOARDS and DEFINITELY no DOGS are permitted on the school grounds. If you bring any of these items to the school you will be asked to remove them.
- * The School gardens are out of bounds at all times, all children are to be on the soccer oval or nearby throughout the day.

Please come along and join us for a great family day, this is a FAMILY DAY and all children SHOULD be accompanied by adults. All the usual races, tug-o-war and novelty events will proceed throughout the day. We have ice-creams, a sausage sizzle, fresh fruit, cold drinks and Santa Show Bags for the children who take part in the day.

Don't forget to pack some drinks and nibbles for the adults and sunscreen for the family. The day will finish with a visit from Santa between 3.00pm – 3.30pm.



DECEMBER-JANUARY SCHOOL HOLIDAY EVENTS

SUMMER READING CLUB LAUNCH

Give your children incentive to read over the holidays and the opportunity to win great prizes by signing them up for the Summer Reading Club. A child's library card is essential to join the Club and attend the show.

Club Registration with child's library card will open from 4.30pm followed by *Tom Foolery The Magician* at 5.30pm.

**Thursday 7 December,
Hornsby Library.**
Ages: 0-14 year olds

A **free event** for Summer Reading Club members. No bookings required. Children 7 and under must be accompanied by an adult.

GINGERBREAD HOUSE MAKING WORKSHOP

Bring the whole family and be guided in making a wonderful Gingerbread House for the Christmas table. The cost includes all the materials needed such as house, icing, lollies, silver foil, board and cellophane for wrapping. Great Christmas fun for the whole family!

**Wednesday 6 December
6.30pm-8pm
Hornsby Library**

Cost \$32. Bookings essential.
Book online at hornsby.nsw.gov.au/library

JUNKYARD BEATS

An innovative workshop combining rhythm with movement and drumming. Children will be using unique and original instruments made out of recycled materials.

**Monday 22 January,
10.30am,
Pennant Hills
Community Centre.**

**Tuesday 23 January,
10.30am,
Berowra
Community Centre.**

**Tuesday 23 January,
2pm,
Hornsby Library.**

Ages: 5-10
Cost: \$12.00

Children 7 and under must be accompanied by an adult.
Bookings essential. Book online at hornsby.nsw.gov.au/library

CHRISTMAS PANTOMIME- SANTA OF THE NEVER NEVER

With a truly Australian flavour, this show offers a feast of characters who help Santa when he is stranded with Rudolph at Uluru. How will he get the sleigh started again, and will he make it in time to deliver presents to all of the children in the world?

**Tuesday 19 December,
10.30am-11.30am,
Hornsby Library.**

**Wednesday 20 December,
10.30am-11.30am,
Pennant Hills
Community Centre.**

Ages: 2-7 year olds
Cost: \$8.00 per child. Parents and children under 2 years accompanying a paying sibling do not require payment. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Bookings essential.
Book online at hornsby.nsw.gov.au/library

THE JERAL PUPPETS

A fabulous puppet show performance with large, colourful puppets, based on traditional fairy tales and nursery rhymes. An interactive learning experience not to be missed!

**Monday 8 January,
10.30am,
Hornsby Library.**

**Friday 12 January,
10.30am
Pennant Hills
Community Centre.**

Ages: 2-5 year olds
Cost: \$12.00

Children must be accompanied by an adult.
Bookings essential.
Book online at hornsby.nsw.gov.au/library



Carols under the Star

Présented by the combined churches of Berowra

**FREE
ENTRY**

Donkey Rides
Food Stalls

Live Music
Glow Candles

Motorbike Display
Cake Competition

Balloon Art
Henna Tattoos

Jumping Castle
Face Painting

**Monday 18th December
Warrina Street Oval, Berowra**

Pre-Show Entertainment: 6.00pm

Carols: 7.45pm

Raising funds for

