



24 JULY 2023

TERM 3 WEEK 2

PRINCIPAL'S NEWS



Dear Parents and Caregivers,

I extend a very warm welcome back to our students, staff and families. We are looking forward to another fantastic term of learning at BPS with our learners already back into the swing of school. With winter mornings continuing to be cold, and jumpers often taken off by lunchtime due to the beautiful warm sunshine, it's important to ensure every item of clothing has a name clearly marked, and that we coach our children to be responsible for their property.

Education Week—Open Day Thursday 3rd August

Education Week 2023 will be held from July 31 to August 4 (Week 3, Term 3). This year's theme is 175 years of public education in NSW and focuses on learning from our past, celebrating our achievements and embracing the future with confidence. Open Day is the day not to miss! To ensure that each student has the opportunity to have someone from their family attend the day, we invite Grandparents to our Open Day as well as/or instead of parents/caregivers. Open Day will be held at BPS on Thursday 3rd August.

Kindergarten

2024 Kindergarten Enrolments Due

We are now taking Kindergarten enrolments for 2024. Thank you for those parents that have already filled out their enrolment forms. Please see our schedule of events below. Information on how to enrol as well as online enrolments can be accessed via the link below.

PARENT INFORMATION EVENING

**Thursday 19th October, 2023—
5pm in the school library**

This session provides an introduction to Brooklyn PS and information on preparing your child for school. It is also a fantastic opportunity to meet the Principal and the current Kindergarten teacher.

KINDERGARTEN TRANSITION DAYS

**Wednesday 25th October, Wednesday 1st
November and Wednesday 8th November
9.30am—10.30am**

Children visit Kindergarten classrooms for an hour on each of these days and participate in various activities with current Kindergarten students and their teacher. All enrolment paperwork must be provided to the school in order for your child to be eligible to attend. Further information regarding these sessions will be provided at the Parent Information Evening (please note these sessions are for the children only). It is important that children attend Kindergarten Transition Day sessions to support their transition to school.

<https://ehub.enrol.education.nsw.gov.au/schoolenrolment/?schoolCode=1377>

**Kelly Cartwright
Principal**

CALENDAR

Week 2

Tues 25 July	High Jump trials
Fri 28 July	HZSS Soccer

Week 3

Thurs 3 Aug	Open Day—Education Week
Fri 4 Aug	HZSS Soccer

What's Coming Up in Term 3

Fri 18 Aug	Zone Athletics
Mon 21 Aug	Yrs 3&4—Girrakool Excursion
Thurs 24 Aug	Book Parade for Book Week
Mon 28 Aug	Book Fair
Wed 30 Aug	Father's Day Stall
Fri 1 Sept	Father's Day Breakfast
Tues 5 Sept	School Photo Day
Mon 11 Sept	K-2 Gibberagong Excursion
Wed 13-Fri 15 Sept	Yrs3-6 Canberra Excursion

Athletics Carnival

Congratulations to all students who participated in the annual school Athletics Carnival held last Wednesday 19th July. The weather was kinder this year as the sun was shining and while a little chilly, we all had a successful day! Well done to all the eager students who competed in track and field events held throughout the day. Once again Brooklyn Public School students displayed honesty, fair play, resilience and house spirit when competing against and cheering on their friends.

A very special thank you to the P&C for keeping everyone well fed from the canteen and the volunteer parents who assisted staff with the field events during the carnival. Students who qualify for the Zone championships will compete later in the term.





Kindergarten 2024

Parent Information Session:
Thursday 19 October 2023
Time: 5:00pm

Kindergarten Transition Days:
Wednesday 25 October 2023
Wednesday 1 November 2023
Wednesday 8 November 2023
Time: 9:30am - 10:30am

Come and join our wonderful school where great minds grow!

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Library News

Term 3 is a very busy and exciting time in the library.

The CBCA Book Week celebration will be held from 19th to 25th August.

This year's theme is "READ, GROW, INSPIRE". We are asking students to think about their favourite books and explain why they like them. The week will culminate with a Book Week parade, where students take part in a parade dressed as their favourite book character.

In week 7, the library will be hosting a Scholastic Book Fair. This year's theme is "Hats off to reading". The Book fair will run for a week, giving students the opportunity to purchase books and merchandise. All proceeds go to purchasing new release books for the library, to enhance students love of reading.

Just a reminder that the Premier's Reading Challenge ends in August, with many students, either completed, or well on their way to completing the challenge. Well done!



CAPA News

In Art this term the students have been busily creating pieces for display during Education Week. No photos or peeking, but I can let you know what the students are working on.

- 6/5/4T are using a theme of Creative Sustainability to create individual works.
- 3/2/1T are exploring various painting and layering techniques to create unique shapes and designs.
- 1/KDM are using texture and contrast in nature to make colourful works of their own design.

We can't wait to show them off at Education Week. See you there!

Friday HZSS Soccer

Dates & Ovals
for family members
who can attend

Term 3	
Date	Oval
28 July	Warrina Street
4 August	Montview
11 August	Warrina Street
18 August	Zone Athletics
25 August	Montview
1 September	Montview

NAPLAN 2023 results: Information for parents and carers

What's changing?

From 2023, proficiency standards replace the previous reporting of student NAPLAN results that used numerical bands and the national minimum standard.

What are proficiency standards?

Proficiency standards describe what students are expected to know and should be able to do in literacy and numeracy at the time of NAPLAN.

There is a proficiency standard for each test area within each year level.

Students' results are measured against 4 levels of proficiency:

- **Exceeding:** The student's result exceeded expectations at the time of testing.
- **Strong:** The student's result met challenging but reasonable expectations at the time of testing.
- **Developing:** The student's result indicated that they are working towards expectations at the time of testing.
- **Needs additional support:** The student's result indicated that they did not achieve the learning outcomes expected at the time of testing. They are likely to need additional support to progress satisfactorily.



Has there been a change in what NAPLAN assesses?

No, there has not been a change in what NAPLAN assesses. NAPLAN continues to measure student achievement in numeracy, reading, writing, spelling, grammar and punctuation.

Detailed information on the knowledge and skills being measured in each NAPLAN assessment is available at www.nap.edu.au

Your child's teacher can provide more information into how your child's NAPLAN result relates to their other school-based assessments and classroom learning, and any additional support your child might need.

Why has the reporting changed?

Proficiency standards provide clearer information about a student's NAPLAN achievement based on reasonable expectations of what students should be achieving at the time of testing.

The standards will allow you and your child's teachers to easily identify areas of strength, as well as any areas that may need more support.

How do I know if my child is meeting expectations?

A result in the *Exceeding* or *Strong* level means your child has met and/or exceeded expectations for their current stage of schooling.

A result in the *Developing* or *Needs additional support* level means your child has not yet demonstrated they are meeting expectations for their year level at the time of testing.

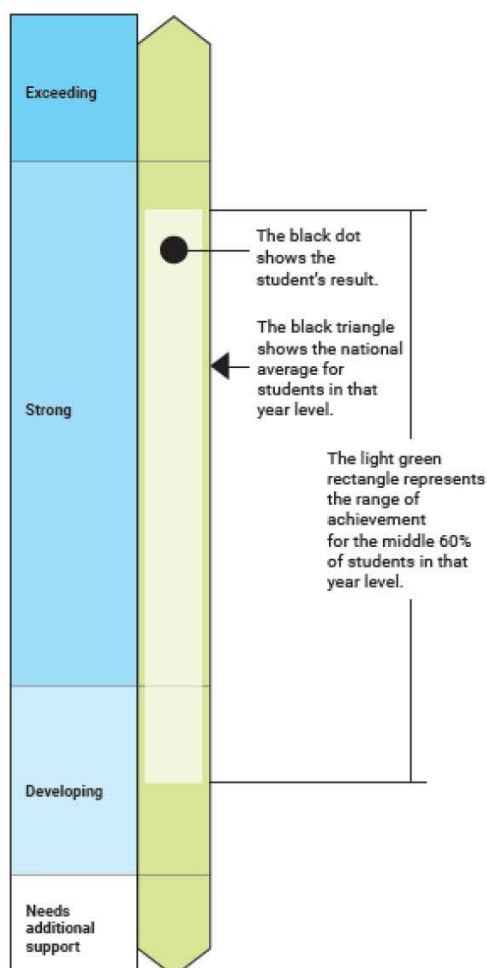
The results are simple to interpret and will allow you to easily identify areas where your child may require additional support.

How will proficiency standards appear on individual student reports (ISRs)?

The report shows 4 levels of proficiency - *Exceeding, Strong, Developing* and *Needs additional support*.

A student's result is shown as a black dot on an achievement scale for each assessment area, which shows increasing levels of knowledge, understanding and skills demonstrated in the assessments.

The new report continues to show each student's achievement against the national average (black triangle) and the range of achievement for the middle 60% of students in their year level (light green rectangle).



What skills are expected at each proficiency level?

Proficiency levels are set at a challenging but reasonable level expected for your child at the time of NAPLAN testing, based on what has been taught in previous years of schooling.

Page 4 of the ISR includes a summary of the skills expected at each level of proficiency.

Detailed proficiency level descriptions are available at www.nap.edu.au

Can I check my child's progress against previous NAPLAN reports?

Results from 2023 cannot be directly compared with results from 2008 to 2022 as:

- all schools now complete NAPLAN online
- the tests are held earlier in the year
- a new measurement scale that is more suited to the online tests has been introduced.

Questions?

If you have any further questions, please contact your child's teacher in the first instance.

Your child's teacher can provide insight into how your child's NAPLAN result relates to their other school-based assessments and classroom learning, and any additional support your child might require.

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BPS/CPS Athletics Carnival P&C Report

The BPS/CPS Athletics Carnival on Wednesday was a fabulous day for all involved. It was Brooklyn's turn to run the canteen and it was incredibly busy with students buying all sorts of goodies. In addition to the Hot Dogs, Party Pies and Sausage Rolls, there were Brownies, Caramel Slices, Smartie Cookies, Toffee Apples, Cup Cakes and myriad other delicious goodies for the students. It is a joy to see the students' faces light up as they come to purchase their treats on this special day in the school calendar.

A big THANK YOU to all the families who brought baked goods in for the students. It is a huge task to stock the canteen with enough cakes/slices/treats for the students, staff, volunteers and spectators. As a school community, we are completely reliant on parents baking for the day, so we are incredibly grateful to every family that does manage to bake. As primary school parents, I think we are all set to become extraordinarily efficient bakers.

Very SPECIAL THANKS goes to those parents who so generously gave their time to staff the canteen on the day. I am struck by how reliant we are on parents coming forward for these school community events. Special thanks goes to Martina Janco, Rick Stockley, Zaradine Powers, Michelle Armstrong, Charlotte Godbolt, Katrina Roberts and Lila San Roque, who all volunteered for the day.



If you are a parent who happens to work for an organisation that offers Volunteer Days, please consider using yours to help at one of the wonderful school community events that the P&C run each year.

Holly Sahlman, BPS P&C Association

P&C Announcement

Just a friendly reminder of our next P&C Meeting

- Monday 31st July
- 4pm
- School Library
- Minutes of previous meeting and agenda to follow

Look forward to seeing you there.

Community News

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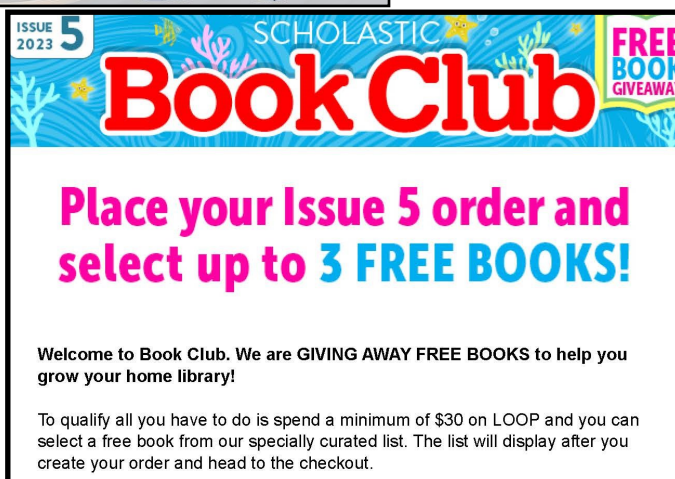
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 **BEROWRA RSL SUB-BRANCH YOUTH CLUB BAND**

Now in its 30th year, we are seeking woodwind, brass and percussion players aged 10 – 24 years, to be part of our local community concert band.

The Band provides young musicians an opportunity to serve our local community, whilst developing performance skills and friendships.

The Band performs in Berowra at RSL commemorative services (eg ANZAC Day), and local community events (eg fetes).

Rehearsals are in Berowra Heights on Thursday evenings (school terms).

Contact us to find out more & to register your interest.
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