

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Currently the teachers are writing a report for your child. Teachers minute by minute assess students' knowledge, skills and understanding and change teaching to ensure the next learning builds onto existing learning.

So, when you receive your child's report card. What do you do next?

Your child's report card can be a useful tool to help you gauge how they are progressing and show you areas where they might need assistance.

Here are some tips to make your child's report card an effective tool for learning:

Talk it through

It's important to talk to your child about their report card. Their report may highlight subjects they have an interest in, as well as areas for development. Listen to their thoughts on the report and see what you can do to help them build on their strengths as well as improve. Focus on the achievements in your child's report and genuinely praise your child on them. For instance, 'I'm really pleased to see you are enjoying science. You are obviously very good at it.'

Talk to your child's teacher

Talk to your child's teacher if you have any questions about the report or would like to explore ways to provide extra support for your child. They want your child to succeed and they will be only too happy to chat with you about ways you can help your child to learn.

The half yearly reports will be sent home Monday 26 June.

Kindergarten 2018

Last night we had many parents attend the kindergarten 2018 information evening. If you were unable to attend and your child will be attending next year please request an enrolment form from the office. The transition to school program will commence 20 October for four Friday. This is a great opportunity for children to familiarise themselves with school expectations and their teacher in 2018. Parents will attend some workshops that focus on: curriculum, Best Start and getting to know TWPS.

Biggest Morning Tea

The SRC have organised a "Biggest Morning Tea" - biggestmorningtea.com.au

There will lots of delicious treats to buy ranging from 50c - \$1.

When: Monday 26 June

Where: Quadrangle

Time: Recess



Lunchtime Disco

LUNCHTIME DISCO

IN THE HALL
THERE WILL BE
DANCING,
GAMES

and lots of FUN!

Add a touch of sport to your
uniform!



DATES:

30 May (Years 3 – 6)

6 June (Years K – 2)

COST: GOLD COIN DONATION

Fundraising to purchase class playground
equipment.

The LST confidentially discusses individual students' needs and brainstorms adjustments that will help the classroom teachers to bring out the best in each student. This won't always be time with Student Learning Support Officers (SLSOs), but will involve a range of supports and strategies that are implemented, monitored and reviewed. They also identify and plan for school needs, prioritise resources, access best practice models and programs, and call for external specialist advice where necessary.

There are a few students at TWPS who have disabilities that make them eligible for special funding, often for one-to-one assistance from (SLSOs) in the classroom or playground; otherwise additional support for students is funded by the school. Two days per week of specialist literacy support is funded by our very own P&C, which is a fantastic use of funds raised!

Specialist support staff at TWPS

Rand Singh	School Counsellor (two days)
Louise Carroll	Learning Support Teacher: MultiLit and K-2 literacy support (four days)
Libby Crothers	Learning & Support Teacher (three days)
Kathy Dawson	English as an Additional Language/ Dialect Teacher (three days)
Nicole Reid	SLSO
Deborah Pollock	SLSO
Kerith Massey	SLSO
Alex Ryan	SLSO
Kerrie Johnson	SLSO

Finally, parents, carers and the students themselves are a very important part of the LST. You know your child better than anyone, and so we seek your insight to guide the approach we take with your child's learning. We value building positive and productive partnerships to support all students at TWPS!

If you have any concerns about your child, please talk to your child's teacher in the first instance.

DEPUTY'S MESSAGE

An Asthma Action Plan form from the Australasian Society of Clinical Immunology and Allergy (ASCIA). The form is titled 'ASTHMA ACTION PLAN' and includes sections for 'WHEN WELL', 'WHEN NOT WELL', and 'IF SYMPTOMS GET WORSE'. It also includes a 'DANGER ZONE' section at the bottom.

Health Care

Health, safety and wellbeing is paramount for our students. As a part of our annual review of health care plans we are required to update all information for allergic reactions and anaphylaxis. Identified students require an individual health care plan to support **ascia** plans for anaphylaxis and allergies, asthma plans, medical and other health needs. These health care plans provide detail and information necessary and required by the department to support student health and wellbeing.

I have reviewed current plans and found many to be close to or already out of date. If necessary for your child, a health care plan will be sent home over the coming week. Could you please update both the health care plan and the attached action plan if required, with your medical practitioner with all relevant information (in colour) for your child and return to the front office at your convenience. Please ensure contact names and phone numbers are included and accurate.

If you would like to meet individually to discuss the requirements of the school and the procedures the school needs to follow to ensure the safety and welfare of your child please call the school on 9484 4242 or email to arrange a mutually convenient time.

You Can Do It (YCDI) Education

As mentioned last week, teachers have been introducing students to **You Can Do It** education as part of the PDHPE program.. *You Can Do It* is a social and emotional skills program that aims to teach students **positive habits of the mind**. This semester classes have worked through units on 'organisation' and 'confidence.'

ORGANISATION

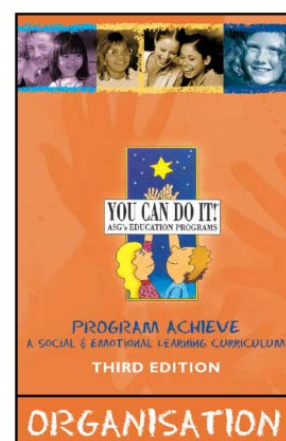
Organisation

means setting a goal to do my best when learning something new. When I have a project or activity to complete, It means thinking ahead about the steps I have to take to be successful. Organisation means planning my time so that I'm not rushed and having all my supplies ready.



Examples of Organised Behaviour

- ★ Making sure I understand my teacher's instructions before I begin work
- ★ Having all my school supplies ready
- ★ Having a neat desk and school bag so I can find everything
- ★ Planning when I'm going to do my homework so I have enough time



Next week I'll publish some positive habits of the mind that build *Organisation*.

Kind regards,

Julie Granville
Deputy Principal R

LIBRARY

PRC will be completed by k-2 in library lessons as each term we complete an author study. Students from 3-6 complete the challenge individually.

Students now have access their library records through the Oliver link located next to their email link in their portal.

Well done to the following finishers:

Abby Christopher, Amelia Muir, Elysa Oliveri, Mitchell Oliveri, Kinshuk Sharma, Joe Jenkins, Sophia Axisa, Diya Sharma, Liam Haughey, Ava Moore, Maya Razzaghi Pour, Sean Reid, Naomi Law, Porah Hyun

Happy Reading

Ms Hoffman
Teacher Librarian

P&C REPORT - Follow us on  www.facebook.com/TWPSPC

Thank you to all those who have booked into the Family Fundraiser Portrait Fundraiser. It is now fully booked. If you missed out but interested in another date, please sign up on the P&C Facebook page on the post as there will be another later in the year.

Next P&C Meeting is 6th June 7.30pm in the Library. Please send any agenda items you would like to discuss to twpspandc@gmail.com. Meetings are open to all parents and care givers of the school and interested citizens in the area.


PLAYGROUND DEVELOPMENT/DESIGN TEAM: Calling expressions of interest by persons to be part of the Playground design team. Please email twpspandc@gmail.com with your interest. EOI closes Monday 5th June 2017.

SPRING FAIR – Follow us on  www.facebook.com/TWPSSpringFair
And our Website www.twpspringfair.com

Sponsors: We thank our amazing Sponsors for this year's event! Ray White CTWPH for again being Platinum Sponsors for our event. We thank Gold Sponsors: Westleigh Village, Soames Real Estate, Centech Online, Signarama. Bronze Sponsors: Scooda, Semitone Music. Stall Sponsor: Di Jones Real Estate. Raffle Sponsors: Ray White CTWPH, Westleigh Village, F45 Training Westleigh, Ryan's Gourmet Kitchen. Please support these amazing businesses that support our school! Please LIKE our Sponsor posts on FB. It is really important!

Competitions: This year we have some new competition categories for Spring Fair: Creative Writing & Lego Building. We will continue with our Art Competition, Colour In Competition & Cake Making.

Class Parents: If you have any questions about your Stall please contact Vervan McAllister – Fundraising Co-Ordinator or myself. Between us we should be able to answer any questions you may have. We will be calling another Class Parent Spring Fair meeting next month.

Please follow us on our  Facebook pages as above. We often post information during the week on these pages.

LOST PROPERTY

Thank you to the many parents who have taken on distributing lost items back to students. PLEASE ensure that ALL items are labelled – including any container, lunchbox, hat, jacket, shoes, clothing item. All unlabeled items will be disposed of – there is no space to store these items.

2017 P&C MEETING DATES:

6th June, 1st August, 5th September, 24th October, 28th November

Vanessa Erickson
P&C President
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BAND CONDUCTOR POSITION at BEROWRA PUBLIC SCHOOL

Berowra Public School (primary) is a school with a strong sense of community on the upper North Shore. Starting Term 3 (18th July 2017), we are seeking a Band Conductor who will engage students and provide leadership to support growth and increase the depth of talent in existing students. This is an ongoing contract position. BPS currently has a concert band and training band with a small group of enthusiastic young children. Rehearsals are Tuesday and Wednesday mornings 8-9am. Prospective conductors will have experience in working with primary school aged children and an energetic, inspiring approach for young musicians.

Prospective candidates require a current WWCC, ABN, and Public Liability insurance

The successful applicant will be required to:

- Conduct bands in a before school music program;
- Have experience and enthusiasm in running a primary school band with proven organisational skills;
- Be responsible for the selection of music and organisation of music library;
- Introduce a variety of music, provide performance experience, build confidence and support team spirit;
- Attend Music Committee meetings and prepare reports.
- Have strong communication skills, liaise confidently with teachers, parents and students and enable children to enjoy and play music in a positive and encouraging environment;
- Prepare and conduct the bands for important events on the school calendar such as Open Day and Presentation day;

Previous experience as a Primary Band Conductor, Music Education Qualifications or Industry Experience preferred.

To apply please forward your resume to bpsband@hotmail.com by 2nd June.

GREEN THUMBS



(currently growing in our school garden:

Top: Red Cos Lettuce, Baby Spinach, Snow Peas

Bottom: Broccoli, Red Cabbage, Lucerne

photos: Ingrid Leese)

After our working bee on Saturday 18th February and planting with several classes towards the end of Term 1, our school garden is flourishing. We have six garden beds in total, to plant with the various classes, with two additional beds being planted and maintained by TWOOSH.

Currently we have snow peas, sugar snap peas, spinach, lettuce, radishes, silverbeet, shallots, broccoli and red cabbages growing in the beds. Many of the vegetables are starting to be harvested by the classes who grew them and we will also harvest the Cos lettuce to supply the school canteen. This year we are trialling growing Lucerne in one of the garden beds to use as mulch and a green manure.

If you are interested in helping in the school garden please join our Facebook Group or email Ingrid on ingrid.leese@gmail.com to be put on our mailing list. We usually hold a working bee once a term on a Saturday morning and if you have time available during the week, you may like to help with our scheduled plantings with classes.

Green Thumbs Facebook Page:
please 'join' our Facebook group to stay up to date with TWPS garden news and events.
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/TWPSGreenThumbs/>
or search Facebook for TWPS Green Thumbs

Best regards,
The Green Thumbs Team
Patty, Emma and Ingrid

TWPS Environment Corner Week 5 Term 2 2017

Hello Dear TWPS Parents

This is our special **Vegetable Week**. We hope you will join us in promoting vegetables in your children's lunches, morning teas and 10 am Crunch and Sips! Tomorrow we hope all our students will have a crunchy veg to munch on at 10 am. Carrot sticks, cucumber slices and sweet cherry tomatoes are all firm favourites in my classroom!



Garden

Our garden continues to thrive and it is largely due to the fantastic efforts of Ingrid Leese and her Green Thumb Team. Thank you so much, Ingrid, for all that you do for our school garden. A big thank you, too, to our ever faithful GM, Mr Paul, who is so willing to help us in the garden. We appreciate all your support!

Today my 1L students and I picked lettuce leaves from our bumper lettuce crop, washed them, dipped them in a salad dressing we made together in the classroom and munched away. Gosh, it was a hit! They loved it all, especially the dressing (very simple.....olive oil, vinegar and mixed herbs). Too easy!

Waste Free Lunches and Tidy Tuesdays

Thank you for getting behind our drive to reduce the waste that goes into landfill. Increasing numbers of students are enjoying waste free lunches which is very encouraging. I love hearing them discuss how they have a lunch free of packaging. I have noticed that the less packaging the healthier the lunches!

Yours in Making a Big Effort to eat my 5 serves of veg a day!

Susan Liddle

1L Class Teacher and Environment Coordinator

Westleigh Village



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TWPS Prayer Group

Meeting in term 2 on:

Week 6 May 30th

Week 10 June 27th

Everyone is welcome to join us.

Enquiries : Annie Mackie twpsprayerteam@gmail.com
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Please contact us directly if you'd like us to pray for something in particular.