

THE BERINBA BROADCAST



Stories from the schoolyard...

Term 1 | Week 5

Monday, 24th February 2025

From the Principal...

Dear Berinba Community,

To our students, I hope you are all settling into your new classes and the new school year and that the first few weeks have been filled with excitement and learning. To our families, I hope that there are great stories of learning and friendships coming home. It has been wonderful to see our students engaging in classes and embracing the opportunities a new year brings.

As we move into this next phase of the school year, I want to acknowledge the hard work of our teachers, staff, and families in supporting our students. Your dedication and involvement make all the difference in creating a strong and supportive learning environment. I look forward to meeting many of you at our **Welcome BBQ on Tuesday, 25th February**. We will have **open classrooms from 5.30pm-6.00pm and then a community BBQ from 6.00pm**. Our wonderful P&C will be cooking and providing the food for this event.

Staffing

Congratulations to Christine Burke for her successful application for the Relieving Assistant Principal – Student Inclusion and Innovation position at our school. Christine has demonstrated a compassionate, intuitive and strategic leadership approach that focuses on building staff, student and community capacity in the area of High potential and gifted education, in alignment to school and system priorities. Welcome to our BPS leadership team.

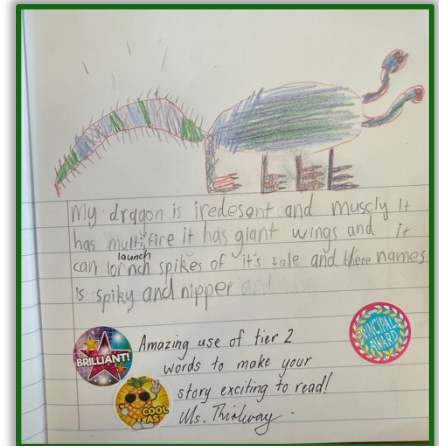
A few reminders as we continue the year:

- **Attendance matters** – Arriving on time and being present every day helps set students up for success.
- **Communication is key** – Please stay connected through our school website, emails, compass and social media for important updates.
- **Let's support one another** – A positive, respectful and happy school culture starts with each of us. Let's continue to show that unique Berinba kindness and encouragement in everything we do. Berinba truly is a special place to work, learn and grow together.

Thank you for your continued support and partnership.
Warm regards,

Brendon

Brendon Wright | Relieving Principal



Cooper O'Malley from 1/2B visited me this fortnight to share his amazing descriptive writing. AMAZING work Cooper.

Upcoming events

Our Berinba Welcome BBQ and open classrooms are this week. Come and join us to connect with staff, students and families.

Our wonderful P&C will be cooking and providing the BBQ for this event. **Additionally, our annual AGM for P&C is on the 11th of March.** Everybody welcome!

Save the date

Tuesday 25th February

Berinba PS
Welcome BBQ



**5.30 – 6.00 open classrooms &
6.00 Community BBQ.**

AGM AND P&C MEETING
11TH MARCH 2025
7PM
Berinba Public School
Staff room

What a Splash! Swimming Carnival Wrap up

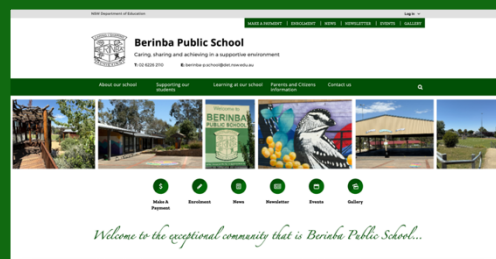
We are so proud of our Berinba students for their participation at our school swimming carnival. There was a sense of excitement in the air as races were happening and the positivity, cheering and support that student and our special visitors showed throughout the day. Our students truly showcased incredible talent, sportsmanship, and team spirit. A massive congratulations to the winning house Aquarius, followed by Scorpio, Pegasus and Taurus. Our champions for the day are below. Well done to everyone who was part of the day, and Mr Bradley for coordinating such a successful day.

- **Junior Boy** – Logan Hand
- **Runners up** – William Baird
- **Junior Girl** – Bonine Luckie
- **Runner up** – Taryl Maher
- **11 Year Boy** – Lakyn Holliday
- **Runner up** – Coen Hall
- **11 Year Girl** – Jayda Merritt
- **Runner up** – Laney Butler
- **12 Year Boy** – Jett Waters
- **Runner up** – Archie Collins/ Anson Pasparne
- **12 Year Girl** – Claire Puckett
- **Runner up** – Charlotte Facer
- **Good encouragement award** – Dominic Luff



Our School Website

Have you seen our newly updated school website? Our school website is continually being updated with information and celebrations of what's happening at our school. You will also be able to find our newsletter, term overviews of what is happening in classes and find other valuable information that celebrates the great work happening at Berinba. Our website is <https://berinba-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/>



Community Connections – Thank you!

A massive thank you to the Yass Red Cross for their generous donation of \$300 towards our breakfast club program. It's partnerships like this that make our school community stronger, and we're so grateful to have you with us. Thanks for making a difference for our kids.



NAPLAN

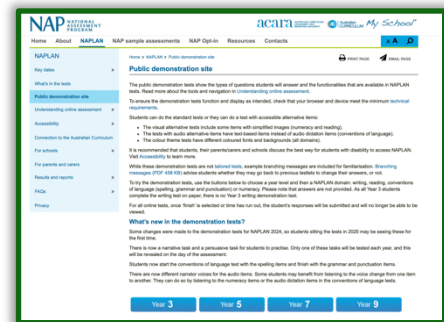
NAPLAN tests take place each year for all students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9. NAPLAN (National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy) is a standardised test in Australia that assesses students' skills in reading, writing, language conventions (spelling, grammar, and punctuation), and numeracy. This will take place between **Wednesday 12 March to Monday 24 March 2025**.

It is important to remember that NAPLAN is not about passing or failing. It is about assessing learning progress.

The best approach for preparing your child for NAPLAN is to encourage your child to do the best they can on the day. If you have any questions about NAPLAN, please contact your child's teacher in the first instance.

The public demonstration site is available for students, teachers and parents to get familiar with the types of questions, tools and functions used in the NAPLAN tests. It includes demonstration tests for each NAPLAN year level. Excessive preparation is not recommended, however this tool is a good way for your child to be familiar of how the text will look.

<https://www.nap.edu.au/naplan/public-demonstration-site>



Dates for your Diary

TERM 1

Week 5

- Monday, 24th February: Meg Couvee – Director of Educational Leadership school visit.
- Tuesday 25th March: Welcome BBQ and open classrooms. 5.30 – 6.00 open classroom and 6.00 BBQ.

Week 7

- Monday, 10th March: South Coast Swimming
- Tuesday, 11th March: Yass show entries close

Week 8

- Tuesday, 18th March: Mr Wright at Regional South and Connected communities' principals summit DAY 1
- Wednesday, 19th March: Mr Wright at Regional South and Connected communities' principals summit DAY 2
- Wednesday, 19th March: Pulse Alive dance group in Sydney.
- Thursday 20th March: Pulse Alive dance group in Sydney.
- Friday, 21st March: Pulse Alive dance group in Sydney.

Week 11

- Tuesday, 8th April: Meninga/Daley League Day – TBC
- Friday, 11th April: Last day of term.

