

Bermagui Preschool Newsletter - 16 October 2026



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2026 Important Dates

Bermagui Preschool's 50th Birthday Party: Saturday 21 November from 6:30pm at Bermagui Country Club, 70's Theme (Trivia Night and Live Music) - Grown-Ups Only

Last Day of Term 4: Thursday 17 December

Preschool Professional Development Day: Friday 18 December (Preschool **CLOSED**)

Preschool Annual Shut Down: Monday 21 December to Friday 1 January 2027

Summer Vacation Care: Monday 4 January 2027, for children returning to Preschool in 2027

Please note that these dates may be subject to change.

What's on at Preschool.....

There's lots of exciting learning happening across Bidhu and Bungaree! The Bidhu children have been focusing on their transition to school, building confidence, developing independence and strengthening the skills they will need as they prepare for this next big adventure. Meanwhile, the Bungaree children who will be moving into Bidhu are beginning to build friendships, strengthen social connections and develop a sense of belonging in preparation for their transition. Through play, shared experiences and opportunities to connect with one another, the children are building relationships and confidence as they get ready for this next step in their preschool journey. We love seeing the children grow, learn and support one another as they navigate these exciting transitions!

In the Bungaree room, children have been busy exploring, investigating and creating! Following on from our discoveries of lizards and other insects in the playground, we have been learning about the Bogong Moth life cycle and exploring why we are seeing so many moths around. These experiences are encouraging the children's curiosity and helping them develop a deeper understanding of the natural world around them. Our little chefs have also been busy in the kitchen! So far, we have made delicious scones and vanilla cake, developing our cooking skills, confidence and teamwork along the way. Daisy's pasta was a big hit during Vacation Care, and the children who helped make it are already asking when we can cook it again. We look forward to seeing what delicious creations we come up with next!

Facebook

Remember to check out your HubHello/Educate emails and like us on the Bermagui Preschool Facebook page... Great ways to see what we've been up to at Preschool!!



Professional Development Day

Thank you to all our families for supporting our professional development days held at the beginning of each term. These days are essential for staff to complete mandatory government-required training and to continue developing their knowledge and skills to provide high-quality education and care for all our wonderful children.

This term, our professional development day focused on completing Whistleblower Training, along with further opportunities for staff to build their knowledge and skills to support the social and emotional wellbeing of children at Bermagui Preschool.

Supporting Big Feelings - Zones of Regulation

A huge thank you to Viv, one of our newest team members, for sharing her knowledge and experience with the Zones of Regulation program. Viv shared how this approach has been an effective strategy at her previous service.

In Term 4, Bermagui Preschool will be introducing the Zones of Regulation into our program to support children's social and emotional development. The Zones of Regulation uses four colours to help children recognise and communicate how they are feeling. Through everyday play, discussions and visual resources, children will learn to identify their emotions and explore strategies to help them manage their feelings.

Our aim is to help children understand that all feelings are okay and to build the confidence and skills to express their emotions in a safe and supportive environment. Please refer to your HubHello document for a more detailed overview of how this will be implemented or speak with our teachers and educators during meet and greet times.

As a team, we have also watched the Fraser Foundation's professional development webinar, *Little People, Big Feelings*, with Dr Justin Coulson. This provided valuable insights into understanding children's emotions and practical ways we can support them through big feelings. Families can support this learning at home by talking about feelings together and helping children find ways to feel calm, safe and supported. Find out more: [The Fraser Foundation](#)

Policy Update

Services are legally required to ensure families are notified of any changes to policies which affect: the service's provision of education and care to any enrolled child or a family's ability to use the service; fees; or fee collection procedures, 14 days in advance. (Education and Care Services National Regulations 2011). Bermagui Preschool is currently reviewing the child safety related policies, recruitment and employment policies and 4.14 Immunisation Policy. New policies include 1.15 Babysitting and Professional Boundaries Policy and in draft Dealing with Infectious Diseases Policy. Policies are available on our website, and the proposed policies are available on request at Preschool for families to review and provide feedback via email admin@bermaguipreschool.com.au.

Bermagui Preschool Turns 50!

Join us for a fabulous night at Bermagui Country Club celebrating 50 years of Bermagui Preschool on Saturday 21st November 2026, 6:30pm till late.

Get dressed in your best 70's gear and enjoy trivia, live local music, dancing and nibbles!

Tickets: \$25 per person | 18+ event

All community members are welcome, and all proceeds go back to Bermagui Preschool!

Check out the attached flier for ticket details and the QR code to purchase tickets.

We can't wait to celebrate with you! 🥳

We're also looking for a few extra hands to help bring this special event to life. If you're able to lend a hand with any of these, we'd love to hear from you!

- Donations of large glass jars for the children to make decorations
- Helping create a slideshow from our wonderful archived preschool photos
- Putting up posters and promoting the event around the community
- Setting up and decorating the event on day
- Helping pack away at the end of the night

Families Corner

Child Care Subsidy (CCS) balancing

Services Australia is undergoing CCS balancing for the 2025–26 financial year.

You must confirm your family income so Services Australia can balance your CCS.

You can do this by:

- lodging your tax return (and your partner's) with the Australian Taxation Office (ATO), or
- telling Services Australia you do not need to lodge a tax return (even if you've already told the ATO).

Once Services Australia has balanced your CCS, they will send you the results.

Find out more [about CCS balancing](#) on the Services Australia website.

Kindergarten Visits

The Kindergarten transition program will commence on Wednesday 21st October for 4 weeks. Each session is for one hour. If your child does not attend on these days, personal arrangements will need to be made for your child to attend the sessions.

- Wednesday 21/10/26- 10:00-11:00am, Tour of the school, Story/craft, Songs in Dhurga
- Wednesday 28/10/26-10:00-11:00am, Outdoor games (Run by year 6 students)
- Wednesday 4/11/26 10:00-11:00am, Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics
- Wednesday 11/11/26 10:00-11:00am, Teddy Bears Picnic with current Kindergarten students



Bermagui Public School

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Kindergarten 2027

Greet, Meet and Eat!

We warmly invite all families with children starting Kindergarten at Bermagui Public School in 2027 to join us for a relaxed afternoon sausage sizzle!

Come along, meet our staff and other Kindergarten families, and enjoy a casual afternoon together as we begin this exciting journey toward starting school.



Wednesday, 21st October 2026

3:30-4:30

Meet in the COLA

During the afternoon, you will have the opportunity to:

-  **Take a tour of our school**
Explore the school and become familiar with where everything is.
-  **Visit our Kindergarten spaces**
Have a look around the Kindergarten classroom and learning areas.
-  **Meet our team**
Meet our Principal, Kindergarten teacher, administration and learning support staff.
-  **Meet our P&C**
Say hello to our P&C and purchase or order school uniforms.
-  **Ask us questions**
There will be plenty of opportunities to chat, ask questions and find out what you need to know. Rather than a formal sit-down presentation, we're keeping the afternoon relaxed, welcoming and informal.

We hope this gives our new families the chance to meet each other, explore our school, and chat with staff while finding out the information most relevant to you and your child.

Please use the QR code to let us know whether you will be attending by Friday 16th October.



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You're invited to
celebrate

BERMAGUI PRESCHOOL

turning
50

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 21ST
at the Bermagui Country Club
6:30 TILL LATE

**70S
FANCY
DRESS**

**TRIVIA
WITH
NIBBLES**

**LIVE BAND
★ TIME
MACHINE ★
FROM 8.30**

**TICKETS
\$25
PER PERSON**
18+

ALL PROCEEDS GO TO
PRESCHOOL



Playdate with Emergency Services

Monday, 9th November 5pm - 7pm

Dive into action with your local Emergency Service providers at this free event.

- Get up close to emergency vehicles
- Activities for Kids
- Free BBQ Dinner
- Information Stalls

For more Info:

☎ 0429 934 199 NSW SES
☎ 0427 961 925 ECAC
📍 Dickinson Park, Lamont Street, Bermagui



Organised by Eden Community Access Centre (ECAC) as part of an Emergency Preparedness project in conjunction with Bermagui NSW SES

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RENEWABLE
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presents...



with science
communicator
**DR. GRAHAM
WALKER**

DR GRAHAM'S ENERGY EXPLORERS FAMILY SCIENCE SHOW & WEARABLE WIND TURBINES WORKSHOP

FREE to join
Suitable for all kids 6+
(must be accompanied by a parent or guardian)

Saturday November 21st
10:30am-12pm
Bermagui Community Hall

Come along to learn from internationally recognised science communicator **Dr Graham Walker** and explore how energy is changing in this exciting science show and workshop for kids and families.

Big science. Cool tech. DIY wind turbines!
See some amazing (and occasionally explosive!) science, discover new tech, then get hands-on making your own wearable wind turbine to take home.

FREE - bookings for attending kids are essential



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