



Kindness & Courtesy

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Double Bay NSW 2028

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13 May 2025

## Welcome to our School

We acknowledge the Gadigal and Birrabirragal people who are the traditional custodians of this place we call Double Bay.

Together we are responsible for taking care of the land.



## Welcome to Term 2 Week 3

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Thank you so much to the P&C, who organised the beautiful flowers for the students to purchase for Mothers Day. We hope all of our Mums, Grandmothers, Aunts etc enjoyed their

special day on Sunday. Thank you, also, to everyone who helped out with the deliveries of the Mothers Day flowers to the classrooms at school on Friday and at the William Street gate at 3:00pm. Your support of the school is very much appreciated.

### Attendance and Punctuality

Regular and punctual attendance is essential for your child's educational success. Arriving at school on time ensures that your child does not miss out on important learning activities, helps them develop the habit of punctuality, allows time to connect with peers before class, and reduces classroom disruptions.

To minimise disruptions to your child's learning, we kindly request that all specialist appointments, such as medical or dental visits, be scheduled outside of school hours whenever possible. If an appointment during school hours is unavoidable, please ensure your child attends school before and/or after the appointment to maximise their learning time. Additionally, families are encouraged to plan holidays during school breaks to avoid impacting learning. If

travel during the school term is necessary, please discuss this with the School Principal, as an Application for Extended Leave will need to be completed.

We appreciate your support in fostering consistent attendance and punctuality, which are vital for your child's academic and social development.

## National Road Safety Week (11th – 18th May)

This week marks National Road Safety Week, an important reminder that road safety is a shared responsibility. At Double Bay Public School, we are committed to promoting safe practices for all road users, especially our students.

As parents and carers, you are your child's first and most influential teacher. Children learn by observing the behaviours of the adults around them, making it essential to consistently model safe and responsible road use.

We encourage all families to take this opportunity to reinforce key safety behaviours when travelling to and from school or when out in the community. These include:

- Choosing and using safe travel routes
- Demonstrating how to be a safe pedestrian and road user
- Obeying road rules and signage
- Encouraging and guiding children to become confident, independent travellers

Together, we can build safer communities and instil lifelong habits that protect our children on the roads.

## Get ready for Walk Safely to School Day (Friday 16th May)

In addition to National Road Safety Week, on Friday the 16th of May is 'Walk Safely to School Day'. We are encouraging all students and their families to walk to and from school, helping kids build healthy routines and learn important road safety skills.

## School Choir

K-2 Choir - Thursdays at 8:15am in the STEM Room.

3-6 Choir - Tuesdays at 8:15am in the STEM Room. Any interested students are welcome to join.

## School Assemblies 2025

Whole School Assemblies will take place every 'even week' of Term 2 and 3 on Fridays at 9:30am

*(This is to accommodate the interschool sport program).*

## Kindergarten 2026

This term we commence interviews with the Principal and Assistant Principal for students starting Kindergarten in 2026. We will also continue with our school tours and information sessions. If you have a child commencing Kindergarten at DBPS in 2026 please submit an online enrolment. [DBPS Enrolment Applications](#)

## Statement of Account - School Bytes

Statement of Accounts for Term 2 have been updated. Once an item has been added payments can be made at anytime (see attached PDF for items added for Term 2). Thank you in advance for your payment. Permission notes are forwarded by school bytes. Please contact the office if any further clarification is needed.

## Students arriving late to school

If your child is late to school, please email the school an explanation as to why they are late. If no notification has been received an 'unexplained absence' will be placed in School Bytes. As the parent or carer you must always sign your child in and out of school during the school hours of 9:00-3:00pm prior to students making their way to the classroom.

**Lauren Sten**  
**Principal**

## ANZAC Day

This year for ANZAC day our school acknowledged the men and women who have fought in wars and conflicts. The leadership team participated on the 25th of April representing Double Bay Public School in the annual ANZAC Day Service. The whole school participated in our school service, where we all wore poppies to recognize ANZAC Day. We learned at the ceremony all about ANZAC Day and the importance of it and we laid a wreath and had a minute's silence to honour those who served.





**Stage 1 | 1 Green, 1/2 Silver & 2 Blue | Term 1 Week 3**  
 Welcome back to Term 2. We have another busy term planned with some exciting events including Dance Curriculum and an upcoming excursion to the Botanical Gardens in Week 4. The students have begun the term with enthusiasm and a positive attitude for learning. Classes have been busy with hands-on maths lessons, investigations in science, fun writing lessons and of course plenty more engaging lessons including CAPA, PDHPE, STEM, Library, Toolbox and French.



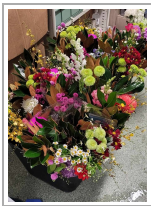
**Stage 1 Teachers**

Mrs Kartyński, Mr Lohmann, Mrs Laing and Miss Rupnik

## Mother's Day

On behalf of Double Bay Public School, we would like to thank all the parents who participated in making such wonderful flower bouquets. They were all different and beautiful, we hope you all had an amazing Mother's Day!

Anne 5/5 Teal & Willow 5/6 Magenta



Stage 2 kicked off a busy Term 2 with great energy and determination at our school Cross Country! We are so proud of the way our students showed resilience, sportsmanship and team spirit. It was wonderful to see everyone giving their best and supporting one another.

Miss Kaye-Smith, Miss Garofalo, Mrs Pizanis and Mrs Rab

**Election BBQ**  
 Last weekend was incredibly exciting at Double Bay Public School as we hosted an amazing election Saturday event. The day was packed with energy and community spirit, highlighted by a fantastic BBQ and a mouth-watering bake sale. Each stall had its own creative twist, with the barbecue featuring some hilarious and clever names like the Pork Barrel, Democracy Sausage, Double Bay Double Pay, Albacore, Hotly Contested, Greens Who?, Cozzie Lins, and Hey Big Spender! These fun names definitely added to the lively atmosphere.

A massive thank you goes out to everyone who contributed their time, effort, and donations. Your support helped us raise a huge amount of money, which will go a long way in supporting our school programs and activities. We are so grateful for the community's generosity. A special shoutout to the P&C, who worked tirelessly to set everything up and ensure the day was a success. Without their organisation and dedication, this event wouldn't have been possible. Thank you, everyone, for making it such a memorable day!

**By Evie 5/6 Magenta**

**STAGE 3**

**Menu**

- The Pork Barrel - \$5
- Democracy Sausage - \$5
- Double Bay Double Pay - \$10
- Albacore - \$7
- Hotly Contested - \$6
- Greens who? \$6
- Cozzie Lins - \$6
- Hey Big Spender - \$7

**5/6 MAGENTA & 5/6 TEAL**

## Stage News

**Kindergarten Term 2, Week 3**  
 Kindergarten students have had a great start to the term after the holidays! It's lots of fun being at school and we love being together when playing, sharing and learning. We have been using our listening tool and can listen with our eyes, ears and heart.

**CROSS COUNTRY**

On Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> May our school held its annual Cross Country event. It provided a wonderful opportunity for all students to participate and showcase their running skills. The event was inclusive, allowing the Year 2 students who are turning 8 this year to join in on the fun. It was a fantastic day with perfect weather, making it even more enjoyable for everyone involved.

There was a strong sense of sportsmanship among the students. Everyone cheered each other on, and it was wonderful to see the encouragement and support among peers. Congratulations to all the students who ran in the race.

Thank you to Mrs Johnson and all the teachers who helped organise the event and ensure everything ran smoothly. It was a day to remember, and we're excited for next year!

**By Allegra W 5/6 Magenta**

# PBL Assembly Awards T1 Week 9 &11, T2 Week 2

S - Safe R - Respectful L - Learner

<b>K Yellow</b> Sophie (S) Emily C (R) Harrison(L) Felix (S) Jasper(R) Maya(L) Georgia (S) Thomas (R) Camilla(L)	<b>1 /2 Silver</b> Xanthe(S) Jaime (R) Morris(L) Xanthe (S) Leo (R) Myles (L) Laura(S) Magnus(R) William(L)	<b>3 /4 Purple</b> Marcel (S) Lauren (R) Elijah (L) Anai (L) Eddison (S) Karljin (S) Declan (R)
<b>K Red</b> Archer (S) Quentin (R) Emily B (L) Ari (S) Sophie (R) Saskia (L) Ari (S) Amaia (R) Harley (L)	<b>2 Blue</b> Teddy G (S) Huxley (L) Hugo (R) George (S) Lucinda (L) Mona (R)	<b>3 /4 Gold</b> Idris(S) Alfie (R) Buster (L) Charlotte (S) Finn (L) Amelia (R)
<b>1 Green</b> Charlotte (S) Fredrik (R) Harry (L) Beau (S) Sienna (R) Ethan(L)	<b>3 Orange</b> Romeo(L) Lucas (R) Sofia (S) Sebastian (S) Amelia (R) Alice (L)	<b>5/ 6 Teal</b> Yash(S) Annabelle C (R) Kaden (L) Frankie (R) Asher (L) Finn (R)
<b>5/6 Magenta</b> Noah (S) Tom (R) Max (L)	Isabelle (S) Alexandra (R) Matilda (L)	Harper (S) Tom (R) Joshua (L)

Nicole Archie Matilda Willow Raf Lily Casper Josh Chloe Y Tom Alex B		Frank Yash Xander Milla Finn Callum Frankie Vivian
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## Bronze Awards Term 1 and 2

<b>K Yellow</b> Felix Edwina Camilla Aurora Sophie Giorgia Rupert	<b>1 /2 Silver</b> Amaya William Shira Patch Sebastian Morris Magnus Eleanor Sofia	<b>3 /4 Purple</b> Stevie Anton Declan Blake Arabella Karljin
<b>K Red</b> Gigi Iggy Annamaria Mia Amaia Heidi Sophie Florence Saskia Quentin	<b>2 Blue</b> Emily B Sophia Teddy Harley Teddy L Teddy G Nina Paris Valentina Lucinda Tom Mona Inez Madison Mona	<b>3 / 4 Gold</b> Ben Corey Frankie Marilynn Alfie Allegra Poppy Atticus Celeste
<b>1 Green</b> Arlowe Archer Jago Harry Charlie S Francesca Theo Max	<b>3 Orange</b> Teddy Auri Lucia Harris Romeo Erica Everly Margot	<b>5/ 6 Teal</b> Audrey Kaden Harriet Wynter Anne Sophie Annabel K Natalie Jarvis
<b>5 /6 Magenta</b> Ivy Isabelle Y Brooklyn		Collette Lachie Miriam Christian

## From the Principals Desk

*Learn from history to inform the future;*

*know the past to know the present*

The study of History is important and beneficial for primary school students. The subject teaches students how practices and attitudes evolve across time to shape societies, cultures and individuals. It teaches them to apply evidence from the past to think imaginatively and critically about the present and the future.

A paper prepared for the Australian History Summit held on 17th August 2006 at Parliament House in Canberra proposes the essentials of teaching Australian history which include:

- a knowledge of the significant public events and developments that have taken place in Australia or that concern Australians.
- a basic knowledge of the global environment in which the development of Australia has taken place

The History component of the *Human Society and its Environment (HSIE) K–6 NSW Syllabus*

is structured around key organising ideas:

- people have lived in the past
- people learn about the past by engaging with stories, images, objects and sites
- history uses sources to construct narratives of the past
- historical sources present perspectives on the past

Here are some examples that show how History can teach students to apply an understanding of the past and think about the present and the future:

- the development in safety standards and technology over time continue to improve the health, wellbeing, and environments of our communities.
- respecting and understanding the continuity of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Histories and Cultures help to form our Australian identity and Australia's place in the world.
- significant voyages of global navigation have shaped the modern world through the export and exchange of goods, ideas, and cultures, with global connections continuing to evolve.

The effective teaching of History enables students to make meaningful connections to their own experiences. It is important for them to understand that what is considered significant in history depends on the viewpoint of an individual, family, cultural group, or nation.

Therefore, History must teach students how to think inferentially and critically as they explore historical events and figures to gain a deeper appreciation of the diverse world that they live in.

By gaining a deeper understanding of historical concepts, students develop the empathy and resilience to make informed decisions – which is essential for becoming an active and responsible global citizen.

**Lauren Sten**  
**Principal**

'Learning from history is something that is important for the future': Why Australian students think history matters Article in Policy Futures in Education · May 2023. Rebecca Cairns & Kerri Garrard

The literacy of History (2015) Penny Hutton & Catherine Smyth. Primary English Association of Australia

Developing student comprehension of historical significance (2024) Alec Santucci. Teacher Magazine

 [Click here for more information](#)

**Lauren Sten**  
**Principal**



# From the Student Leaders

## House Points

Scott	4185
Smith	3595
Macquarie	5010
Macarthur	4835

## Riddles of the Week

**Riddle: If you don't keep me, I'll break. What am I?**

Answer: A promise.

**Riddle: There's only one word in the dictionary that's spelled wrong. What is it?**

Answer: The word "wrong." It's the only word that's spelled W-R-O-N-G.

**Riddle: You're running a race and at the very end, you pass the person in 2nd place. What place did you finish the race in?**

Answer: You finished in 2nd place

*Joshua 5/6 Magenta*

## Vocab of the week

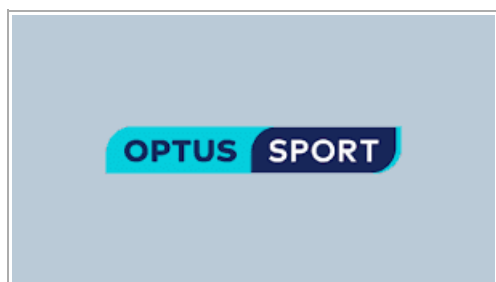
Allegory

A story, poem, or picture that can be interpreted to reveal a hidden meaning, typically a moral or political one.

*Lily 5/6 Magenta*

## App of the week

The app of this week is a great fun way to watch your favourite Premier League team so the app of the week goes to...



On Optus sport you can watch multiple European leagues and watch exercise videos. It is fun to watch, and you can cheer for your favourite team. Optus Sport offers a wide range of sports content, including live and on-demand broadcasts of the Premier League, FA Cup, Women's Super League, and other international matches. They also provide news, analysis, and highlights, with some content available for free.

*Archie 5/6 Majenta*

## Sport Report Of The Week

**SPORT REPORT DBPS:** This week on Tuesday 6th of May we had our school cross country. The day was very fun and excited people from age 8-13 were all competing in the cross country. Not everyone won but almost everyone gave it their best shot at the cross country. The 8-10-year-olds ran 2 kilometres, 2000 whole meters! Amazing effort by them and the 11, 12, 13-year-olds all ran 3k, that is a lot of metres. It was overall a great effort by everyone

**WORLD SPORT REPORT:** This week Liverpool Football club officially won the English Premier League, there are still 3 more games left but Liverpool has a big enough margin so even if they lose, they still win the league, also Inter Milan just booked their ticket to their champions league grand final after they just defeated Barcelona in the semi-final. Great news for Sydney Roosters fans with back-to-back wins in the NRL.

*Charlie H 5/6 Teal*

## Recipe of the Week

### Toast With Feta and Poached Eggs

#### Makes

2 avocado toast servings

#### Prep Time

20 - 30 minutes

#### Ingredients

- 1 1/2 avocados, roughly smashed
- 6-8 mint leaves, roughly chopped
- 35g crumbled feta, plus extra to serve
- 1 tbsp lemon juice
- 1 tbsp olive oil
- 2 poached eggs
- 1/2 bunch asparagus, blanched



- Small handful watercress
- 4 slices crusty sourdough, toasted
- Freshly cracked pepper
- 25-30 minutes

## Method

1. To begin preparing your breakfast, combine the lightly smashed avocado into a small mixing bowl. Add the mint leaves, crumbled feta along with the lemon juice, olive oil, and a good pinch of salt and pepper. Lightly stir to combine.
2. Blanch the asparagus and poach the eggs to your liking.
3. Toast the sourdough and spread over the avocado mixture.
4. Serve with the poached egg, asparagus and a few watercress leaves over the top. Sprinkle over with extra feta and extra crack of fresh pepper.

**Anne 5/6Teal**

## Game of the Week

Capture the Flag (CTF) is a game where two or more teams compete to steal each other's flag and bring it back to their own base. Players can be tagged and sent to "jail" by opponents but can be freed by a teammate. The first team to successfully capture and return the opponent's flag wins.

**Lily 5/6 Magenta**

## Advice Column

**Dear advice column,** I am struggling with balancing homework, activities, school, hanging out with friends and getting enough sleep. I also want to play games on my device and relax. I want to do so many things but don't have enough time. What can I do? How can I include everything in my day?

**Dear struggling student,** what you can do is use a timetable and stick it on your fridge. Minimize your activities to the things you love most. Remember you don't need to do everything everyday. Make sure you spread things out and make time for sleep because it is the most important thing to do. Try to slowly get out of the habit of going on your phone so you can prioritize your time with more important things like homework. If occasionally you have zero time for homework talk to your teacher for a compromise and be nice. I hope this

helps you balance everything.

**Willow 5/6 Magenta**

## School Times

<b>School Begins</b>	9.00am
<b>Recess</b>	11.00 – 11.30am
<b>Lunch</b>	12.50 – 1.40pm
<b>School Finishes</b>	3.00pm

## Term Dates 2025

<b>Term 1</b>	Thursday 6 February – Friday 11 April
<b>Term 2</b>	Wednesday 30 April – Friday July 4
<b>Term 3</b>	Tuesday 22 July – Friday 26 September
<b>Term 4</b>	Tuesday 14 October – Friday 19 December

## School Office Information

### Statement of Account

Please ensure that you register in the Schoolbytes Parent Portal to view your statement account and make a payment.

[Click here for more information](http://www.doublebay-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/)  
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### School Uniforms

The school uniform for Terms 1 and 4 is the Summer uniform and Terms 2 and 3 the Winter uniform. Please go to Forms and Documents in Schoolzine for requirements.

### School Calendar

Please ensure that you have the **Schoolzine APP** on your mobile phone.

Please refer to the school calendar for important dates and also 'Noticeboard' at the bottom of the newsletter. Forms and Documents in Schoolzine also has useful information.

## School Canteen – Botany Bites

Please contact the school office for details on how to order and for more information about the online canteen.

## Reminders

If your child is late to school, needs to leave early, or is absent, please send an email to the school notifying as to the reason. Don't forget to give your child a water bottle each day along with recess, lunch and 'crunch and sip'.

If your child needs a new hat, you can call the school office and we can give a hat to your child. Please pay \$20.00 online. Please check your child has their hat every day.

The school implements a "No Hat – play in the shade" Safety policy.

Please contact the school office anytime for clarification of anything.

## Birthdays

When your child has a Birthday, please do not bring lollies to school for the class to share. Ice blocks are the preferred Birthday treat to share with the class. We have students in the school who have food allergies and we promote a 'nut free' policy.

## Wiley's School Uniform Clothing Shop

**Monday to Friday 9am to 5pm. Closed for lunch between 1 and 1.30pm. Saturday 9am to 1pm.**

Did you know that you can call Wiley's (9365 5631 or 9365 7671) to place an order for school uniforms and they will deliver them to the school? Deliveries are every Thursday. See Sale Flyer in Noticeboard.

## DBOOSH

Before and After School Care

Landline: 02 9362 0960

Mobile: 0434 646 290

# School Payment Method

Click here for more information

<http://www.doublebay-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/>

Please pay via the Parent Portal or create an account if you have not already.

If your child needs a new school hat, school bag or library bag you can pay online via your Schoolbytes Parent Payment Portal.

- Go to
- Statement of Account
- Bottom left + add icon
- Look for item needed

and then contact the office to give your child their items. We also have a range of preloved items.