



# Bowning Public School Newsletter, Term 2 Week 8, 2023

We acknowledge that this Country always has and always will be the Ngunnawal People's home. We thank and show respect to the Aboriginal ancestors. We are thankful for our land. As Bowning Hill overlooks us, we will welcome and care for our people, our lizards, snakes and birdlife, as well the grass and trees which provide their home.

We promise to respect our land and continue to learn by listening to everyone's voice at Bowning Public School. We acknowledge that we must learn from the past and look to the future, walking together on this country.

Written by Bowning Public Yrs 3-6

### A word from the Principal

#### Yaama

Winter has come upon us over the last few weeks. This has meant there has been lots of jumpers and jackets left for lost property. Please ensure all your uniform is labelled so we can return clothing to owners.

Winter has also meant, there is sickness lurking. If your child is sick, please keep them home. COVID testing is available from our front office. If your child tests positive for COVID, please let us know. It is important that students do not attend school if they are unwell, even if they have tested negative for COVID-19. Health advice is that students who are sick should always stay home to rest and recover and avoid putting other students and staff at risk of getting sick.

I would like to thank our community in support the implementation of COMPASS. We know we have had some teething issues. In time, it will make giving permission and payment for events easier. It will allow you to edit your child's record attendance from home without calling the front office. We will also send push notifications for important communication. School reports will be shared online via Compass at the end of the term as well as paper copies. If you are having trouble, please come in and see Mrs McRae in the front office on Mondays or Thursdays and she is happy to work through any problems. We are working very hard on correcting issues. It has been very stressful adjusting and we appreciate your support as we navigate through. Many thanks to Mrs McRae who has been on the phone fixing errors and supporting families to use the app.

I am very excited to announce a wonderful partnership between Bowning Public School and the local Binalong/Bowning Landcare group. Each week, our students will work with the local Bowning Landcare group to build knowledge of plants and the history of our school gardens. As a Junior Landcare Group, we have learnt that Bowning students have been caring for the ground at Bowning for 175 years. We have looked at letters, newspapers and photos of students in the past caring for our trees and animals. I am excited about the possibilities of this partnership and the empowerment of students to become aware and active in taking care of our school grounds. Thankyou, Mrs Cassidy for the passion of this project.

As this is the last newsletter for the term, I would like to say farewell for now, to Ms Jen Clarke. Ms Clarke, who has accepted further work at Yass Public, which has reduced her capacity to work at our school each week. We thank Ms Clarke for all she has done in setting up our library for the year. Mrs Tracy Ranie will now teach our RFF and Library each week.

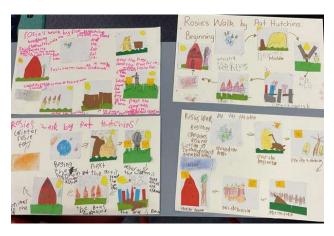
On Thursday, two Principals will be meeting with Mrs Brown and staff to validate the work being undertaken by the school. External Validation occurs every four years and it is a great opportunity to check where the school is at in regards to the state-wide standard, The School Excellence Framework. A massive thanks to all the staff for the work in preparing for the External Validation. We look forward to celebrating all the wonderful work our school is doing.

Our last school assembly will be held on Thursday 29th June at 9.15am as an early celebration of Education Week. We plan on dancing our way into the holidays. We can't wait to see you there. All students can wear mufti clothes for the day.

Over the holidays, Bowning Public School will have a new flag pole erected due to a successful grant application.

May your week be filled with happiness and joy.

#### Mrs Brown



1 - From K - 2

Our classroom has been a busy place over the past 4 weeks. During English lessons, our class created story maps for Rosie's Walk by Pat Hutchins. We had fun putting them together and sharing our ideas with each other.

We were excited to see our homes on Google Maps during our Geography lessons and found other buildings close to our homes.

Our school was easy to find. We could see the buildings, tress and the playground.



2 - In Mathematics lessons we have learnt about things that are longer and shorter than each other. We played with analog clocks to learn about time and help each other recognise o'clock and half past the hour.



3 - On Wednesday afternoons we engage in History lessons. We have looked at old and new buildings and discussed what makes a building old and compared them to new buildings. Old toys are very interesting. We had some pictures of old and new toys and talked about which should go in the old group and which should go in the new group. Some of us had some very interesting ideas.

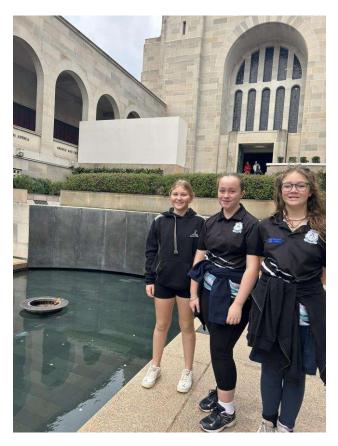


4 - From 3-6 Classroom

Over the past 4 weeks, we have enjoyed having Mrs Bec Allan in our classroom. We have learnt about measurement of area and perimeter, converting decimals, and telling 24 hour time. We also learnt about fables and wrote some wonderful stories. We also have written some wonderful descriptions using similes and metaphors.

We continue to learn about Australia as a Nation and how parliament works. Over the next 2 weeks we will be writing our own bill and sitting our own parliament.

Our excursion to Canberra would not have been possible without the wonderful parent volunteers. It was nice to hear students make comments such as 'it is just like the photo you showed us.' We are very lucky to have these places on our doorstep.



5 -  $\heartsuit$  Parliament House Visit ♡

On Monday the 5th of June 2023, we went to Parliament house. We travelled by car, and we got to see the House of Representatives and the Chamber of Parliament. Each room is a different colour being green and red for eucalyptus leaves. We learnt about the parliament house and how it runs. After we saw the chamber and the house of representatives we went to the hall and saw the huge art work that took 2 years to make. Bruce (the tour guide) was telling us some facts like kids have birthday parties and students graduate at the hall and that the parliament house has over 4,700 rooms! And that was the end of our tour!





6 - Parliament House Visit

On Monday 5/06/2023 we traveled to Parliament house by car to see how it all worked.

We saw the Chambers that they debated in and all the stairs they had.

We visited the new Parliament house. The Old parliament is just down the road.

It was in use from 1927- 1988.

We got a tour from one of the people that worked at Parliament house.

Before we entered we had to get scanned in a thing that detects if you have any metal or weapons on you and Bonnie S. had to get scanned with a wand thing because she had a metal bracelet on.

When we got to the Chamber we saw a big picture which took two years to do and it was made out of fabric and it was almost as big as the wall.

The Chamber we went to was once made for dancing and you can rent it for parties or gatherings. It is open to the public.

The room had tiny dents in the ground to show it had once had many people dancing in it a long time ago.

The entrance of the parliament house was really pretty. It looked like a mermaid castle and it had big pillars and lots of stairs that filled both sides of the place.



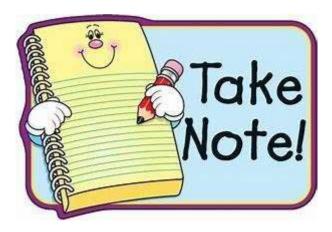
By Bonnie Bush









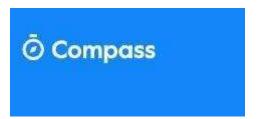


#### 7 - Notes/Events

Moving forward notes will be sent out via Compass. Please have a look at the notes below and ensure you have read, signed and returned as needed. If you have not received a note via compass please contact Mrs McRae in the front office and it will be reshared with you on Compass. If you have any problems do not hesitate to reach out.

- BLC Athletics Carnival Years 3 to 6 (Private transport and consent still needs to be given by 18th June 2023).
  - Yass Gymnastics (Consent needs to be given to participate by Friday 23rd June 2023).
    - Year 5/6 Creative Arts Camp (Attendees will be contacted next week).
- Whole School Excursion to Canberra Theatre (Note will be shared next week Consent will be needed by Monday 26th

  June and payment by Wednesday 19th July 2023).



8 - Compass

Thank you to all you amazing families and how you are helping us to transition to Compass.

I would like to clarify some questions that have come through to the school office:

- Payments We are currently not asking anyone to pay through the Compass Portal. All payments will continue to be
  made through the school website at Payment Bowning Public School (nsw.gov.au)<sup>1</sup> or place money in a labelled
  envelope and bring into school. After you give consent and a payment error occurs, do not worry. The consent will stay
  as approved.
- Giving Consent If you are having difficulty giving consent through the app, please click on "Open in Browser" and give
  it a try there.
- Student Absentees can be submitted on Compass. Alleviating you having to write and note and sending it in or phone
  to school. You can also put absences in early.
- Late arrivals and Early departures can also be submitted on Compass. This will help if you are unable to come into the school office to sign them in or out.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>https://bowning-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/payment.html#/student-details

Hopefully moving forward this will allow you to have everything at your fingertips and you can read it while sitting and having a cuppa in your own time.

If you have any concerns or questions, please contact Mrs McRae in the front office for assistance.



9 - **Term 2** 

Week 9 -

21st June - BLC Athletics Carnival

Week 10 -

**Gymnastics** 

28th June - P and C Meeting 3.15pm

29th June - Assembly 9.15am

30th June- Last day and Reports go home

Term 3

Week 1 -

17th - SDD - No students

18th - All students return

21st - Whole School Excursion Canberra Theatre - Are we there yet?

Week 2 -

Mon- Wed - Yr 5-6 Creative Arts Camp

Fri- Bowning Playgroup returns

Week 3 -

Mon - PLC Day at Bowning / Meal Deal



10 - Enrolling Now for 2024

# New Bowning Public School Uniform



11 - The Bowning P&C are looking at changing the Bowning school uniform with the cost rising for our current uniforms. Now is the time to change we are looking at our everyday school uniform shirt from LW Reid Duffield Side Panel Sports Polo 5760MP / Dark Navy & Sky Pique Knit (220g - 65% Polyester / 35% Cotton) this will have the Bowning emblem on the front.



12 - The option to add a second shirt for as a Sport Shirt this is to be worn at Sports carnivals and for kids to represent our school this will have front emblem and on the back with our classic Bowning text these are the Greenway Raglan Sports

Polo<sup>2</sup> 5911SP / Sky, Dark Navy & White. Pique Knit (220g - 65% Polyester / 35% Cotton).



13 - For our Jumpers the option of Winning Spirit FL19K CROXTON HOODIE this will be in Navy and Sky blue with the Bowning emblem on the front and the Classic Bowning text on the back.

The Bowning P&C believes these changes to the school uniform not only will show our pride but will help with dropping the cost of the prices to our school families.

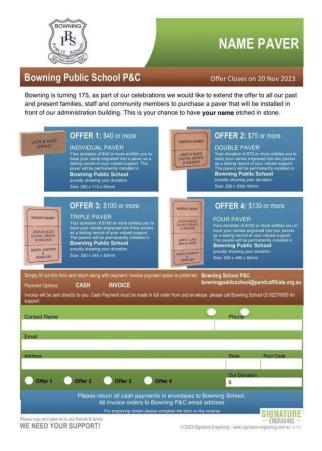
All final pricing details will be discussed at the next P&C meeting.

All feedback is welcome.

The next P&C meeting is 28th at 3pm please come along and support our school community.

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14 - Pavers for Sale

Our beautiful little school is about to turn 175 years in 2024. If you would like to be part of the pavement around the office area now is your chance. We welcome everyone that has been part of the Bowning Community to purchase a Paver. Please let the wider community know as we get ready to celebrate.

	BOWNING PS (	NAME PAVER
EN	IGRAVING DETAILS	Offer closes on 20 Nov 2023
SINGLE PAVER — MAX 16 CHARACTERS PER LINE Please print clearly in block letters (CAPITALS) and always use the ampersand symbol ("&"). Three lines per paver. Each box represents a character (letter, number, punctuation mark or space), No hand drawings.		
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15 - Playgroup every Friday at 9.15am.



16 - **FOR SALE** - Husqvarna 60 inch cut, zero turn, commercial mower

Always serviced. new blades and belt recently fitted.

Tenders are now open for offers over \$2500

 ${\it Please\ email\ written\ offers\ to\ belinda.coates@det.nsw.edu.au^3}$ 

 $<sup>^3\</sup>underline{mailto:belinda.coates@det.nsw.edu.au}$ 



17 - **FOR SALE**- Approx 2000 gallon poly water tank (never installed)

Collection responsibility of purchaser

Tenders are now open for offers over \$1500

Please email written offers to belinda.coates@det.nsw.edu.au<sup>4</sup>

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18 - Around the School

 ${\it Mrs Peahen and Mr Peacock Junior continue\ to\ delight\ us\ on\ their\ visits\ to\ our\ school.}$ 





## 19 - Rest in Peace Mac

Sending our condolences to Rollonin Cafe and Renata, as we heard of the passing of Mac. He was a gentle giant and will be missed by our school community.









Bowning Public School
Assembly

Please join us for our end of term community assembly

THURSDAY | JUNE 29 | 9.15AM-10AM

Students will perform a couple of dances we have been learning.



Students can wear mufti to celebrate the end of term