



Visit to Illawarra Fly walk

Year 7A went on an excursion to the Illawarra fly as part of their STEM (a national Science, Technology, Engineering & Maths initiative). We walked on the cantilever walkway and up the Knights Tower which is 45 meters high.

We learnt that the cantilever walkway can hold 28 tonnes or 800 wombats, it takes 106 steps to get to the top of the Knights Tower and that no trees were harmed during the building of the Fly due to the use of old the logging track.

I enjoyed the Knights Tower because it gave a great view.



Jakob Simpson, Year 7

Quality Teaching Rounds at Bowral High- Update

A growing number of teaching staff are becoming involved in an exciting school-based professional learning project called Quality Teaching Rounds, which began in Term 3 last year. It involves groups of 4 teachers taking turns at observing each other's lessons and analysing their teaching practice through the Quality Teaching Model elements. Another three Professional Learning Communities are about to start their 'rounds' this term. More information about the Quality Teaching Rounds initiative is available from Michelle Ware or Linda Langton.

HSC Submitted works and performances 2016

Society and Culture Personal Interest Projects (PiP) were due on 1 August and Industrial Technology Major Projects are due on 15 August. Students have been working hard to meet these deadlines, supported by their dedicated teachers.

The HSC Drama Showcase will be held on Thursday 10 August in the Performing Arts Space and the HSC Music 1 and Music 2 Recital Night will be held on Thursday 25 August, commencing at 6pm. These evenings celebrate the high level of creative talent we have at Bowral High in Drama and Music and allow our school community to acknowledge the hard work of these students.

The HSC Dance Practical makers will be at our school on 9 – 10 August and we wish all Dance students the best for their exams.

Visual Arts students submit their Body of Work for marking on Monday 29 August and have been working after school, during the holidays and on weekends to complete their works. HSC Drama markers will be at Bowral High on 31 August to examine the Drama students' work and the HSC Music Practical exam dates should be announced soon.

Uniform

The Bowral High School community believes that the wearing of school uniform fosters pride in the school, assists in the development and maintenance of tone and good conduct, and ensures a sense of equality irrespective of a student's personal circumstances. School uniform also helps to increase security for students travelling to and from school and allows staff to identify quickly anyone trespassing on school property. The wearing of uniform is, therefore, a safety and welfare matter.

This policy has been developed by students, P&C and staff, and is endorsed by the NSW Department of Education. The wearing of school uniform is a parent's responsibility, not a student's choice.

The development of skills in personal neatness, appearance, presentation and self-discipline is an important learning experience and a highly valued attribute in the workplace. We work with students to support them in wearing the school uniform correctly. The uniform requirements are set out below as a reminder for families.

Girls - Junior

Collared white school blouse with navy piping and BHS logo (suitable for tie)
Black Watch Tartan pleated or A-line skirt (not straight, tight or short)
Tailored slacks (not jeans or low-rise pants)
Navy jumper / cardigan / school sloppy joe / blazer / jacket
White socks or navy stockings

Boys - Junior

Collared white school shirt with BHS logo (suitable for tie)
Grey shorts or pants (not jeans)
Navy jumper / cardigan / school sloppy joe / blazer / jacket
White socks

Girls - Senior

Collared white school blouse (suitable for tie) as per junior girls
Navy pleated or A-line skirt
Tailored slacks (not jeans or low-rise pants)
Navy jumper / cardigan / school sloppy joe / blazer / jacket
White socks or navy stockings

Boys – Senior

Collared white school shirt (suitable for tie) as per junior boys
Grey shorts or trousers (above the knee, not cargo style or jeans)
Navy jumper / cardigan / school sloppy joe / blazer / jacket
White socks

Shoes

All students are to wear black leather, fully enclosed lace up school shoes with a stout, non-slip sole (eg Bata or Clarks - NOT sneakers, joggers or suede casuals) in accordance with the Department of Education and Communities guidelines, in order to participate in practical subjects, including Science.

This uniform is to be worn every day except for Sports Day. (Tuesday – Year 11, Wednesday – Years 7-10) when the sport uniform can be worn all day.

PE/Sport uniform (can be worn all day on Sports Day (Tuesday – Year 11, Wednesday – Years 7-10)

Navy blue shorts / track pants and embroidered navy shirt/jacket. **Leggings or exercise tights are not acceptable outdoorwear** and may only be worn for specialised sport classes with teacher approval. Students need to change into sport uniform before PE classes and back into school uniform at the end of the class on non-Sports days.

We are currently evaluating the school uniform. Students have been surveyed and we would appreciate gathering the views of parents and carers. A parent survey is included in this newsletter - please return to the front office. Alternatively, the survey can be completed online using this link:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/FHMLZTX>

Koori Kids Excursion to the Australian Museum in Sydney

What a fantastic cultural experience we had in Week 3 this term. 23 students were lucky to be guided around the Indigenous gallery by Wiradjuri woman Renee. Artefacts like spears, fish hooks, baskets and jewellery were all eagerly investigated. A canoe similar to the one that Pemulwuy, the Aboriginal resistance fighter used, was keenly observed.

We really enjoyed a symbols workshop with Derek before heading over to Westfields for lunch. We had an encounter with Sydney's famous torrential rain and had a fab time on the bus on the way home. All students said they learnt something new and many had a chance to reflect on their heritage.



Mrs Kaufling and Miss Howe

What's Up Wednesday

'What's Up Wednesday' is a weekly session held at recess, organised and co-ordinated by Christine Beasley, our Careers Advisor. Each week an outside provider of either a workplace or tertiary education organisations come and do an informative presentation for our students. This week there was a packed room finding out about the University of Wollongong's Early Admissions Program.



Free tutoring for more students...

The Highlands Youth Centre will now be able to provide more tutoring to assist more young people with their school work. High school students who need extra help can contact the Highlands Youth Centre.

The sessions are held **Wednesday and Thursday** afternoons from **3.30pm to 5.30pm** at Highland Youth Hub, Park Road, Bowral.

Topics include reading, writing, maths, specific subjects or general guidance. The tutoring is available to students aged from 12 to 18 years, snacks are provided and sessions are supervised by a youth worker. Volunteer tutors can also contact the Centre.

For more information or to register call 48010885 or text 0414 207 571.

ATOM BEAR – The MUSICAL – TICKETS ON SALE NOW!

The fabulous world premiere of our own original school production is in its final stages. Tickets are on sale from the Finance Office or via the phone or online payment via the 'POP' (parents online payment) service (link on school webpage).

As part of the musical, major refurbishments of the school's lighting and sound system is underway. Join us for this spectacular show featuring students in Year 7 & 8!



Some Calendar Dates for Term 3 2016

Weeks	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 4	8 August Year 11 Hospitality Work Placement week	9 August U-Turn the Wheel Year 11 HSC Dance Prac Exam 15s Boys Basketball	10 August HSC Dance Prac Exam HSC Drama Showcase	11 August All Abilities Sport HSC Ind. Tech Major Projects due	12 August
Week 5	15 August ATOM Bear in the Hall All week Dance Practical Week	16 August Questacon Yr 9 Exc SAC Incursion Indigenous Careers Expo	17 August P&C Meeting, 6.30pm Meet the Music 2, Concert 3 ATOM Bear Matinee	18 August All Abilities Sport	19 August ATOM Bear Opening Night 7pm BHS Hall
Week 6	22 August Year 11 Hospitality Work Placement HSC Drama Projects due	23 August Year 11 Hospitality Work Placement	24 August Year 11 Hospitality Work Placement	25 August Year 11 Hospitality Work Placement All Abilities Sport HSC Music Night 6pm PAS	26 August Year 11 Hospitality Work Placement
Week 7	29 August Speak Act Lead Camp 1 'Into the Woods' exc HSC Vis Arts Body of Work due	30 August Speak Act Lead Camp 1 Speak Act Lead Camp 2	31 August HSC Drama Prac Exam Speak Act Lead Camp 2	1 September All Abilities Sport	2 September
Week 8	5 September HSC Music Composi- tions/Essays due	6 September	7 September	8 September Formal Assemblies All Abilities Sport	9 September