



Principal's Report

As we say goodbye to our HSC students and wish them all the best in their final exams, I also want to acknowledge the fine work they have done as school leaders. It's been a pleasure to not only work alongside these young people but also just to spend time with them. Always courteous and cheerful, the Year 12 students in general and the prefects and captains in particular, have been excellent role models and advocates for their peers.

Our new student leadership body has been elected. Congratulations go to the four school captains for 2016-7: Robert Jutrisa and Ellie Jordan are our school captains and Peter Sullivan and Camille Benson are the vice-captains. This is another strong leadership team and I am looking forward to working with them and the prefects over the next 12 months.

I refer to the importance of ensuring that information relating to the health of our students is updated regularly. We have recently completed updates of health care plans. Students with an Australasian Society of Clinical Immunology and Allergy (ASCIA) plan must have an updated 2016 Action plan including a photo of the child. These plans need to be provided to the school and carried by the child, along with the EpiPen if one is required. The health and wellbeing of your children are our priority and we thank you for your support.

Recently, the school said farewell to a long serving staff member, Jill Seymour. Jill has been a highly valued member of the administration staff since the early 1990s when she arrived at the school, along with her husband David. No one knows the school better than Jill; she has been devoted to serving the students, staff and parents of our community, giving up her time on weekends and holidays to help manage the school site. Jill has worked for years in the print room where she supported staff every day and took an interest in their lives. Photos of students, staff, babies, marriages adorned her wall; she was always interested and involved in the life of the school. We will miss Jill and wish her all the best in her retirement.

Finally, I wish everyone a well-earned rest and a safe holiday.

Kim Paviour

Goodbye and Goodluck to our Year 12 students



CAPTAINS, VICE CAPTAINS AND PREFECTS ELECTED

Over the past month the staff and students of the school have been involved in the election process to determine the Senior Student leadership team for 2016-2017. The Prefect group elected is as follows...

Prefects for 2016-2017

Robert Jutrisa, Ellie Jordan, Peter Sullivan, Liam Wilson, Zac Seville, Camille Benson, Kellie Parsons, Rebecca Sharpe, Chelsea Bamber, Kara Davis, Patrick Bard, Katie Smith, Ashby Kerr, Jordanna Chapman, Bree Seymour, Georgia Nash, Stephanie Ryan, Olivia Harrington and Brittney Woodgate.

From this group the Captains and Vice Captains were elected.

The successful candidates were:

Captains - Ellie Jordan and Robert Jutrisa



Vice-Captains - Camille Benson and Peter Sullivan



Congratulations to all of the successful candidates. Thanks also go to all applicants who participated in the election process.

Best wishes are extended to the Senior Student Leadership team for the coming year.

Congratulations and appreciation are also extended to our current team who have been outstanding in their role during 2015-2016.

Mr Langdon
Prefect Co-ordinator

STEM

It has been a busy term for the STEM program at BHS. Year 7 have been engaged in building a functioning submarine. Design requirements require it to be capable of both sinking and floating through a change in overall density. It also requires a 3D printed component meaning students have need to learn to draw in CAD and the functioning of 3D printers. The student designs are reliant on a diverse range of strategies including chemical reactions to generate gas, elaborate air pump systems and simple equipment such as balloons.



Year 7 and 8 students have also participated in a Lego robotics day at Macquarie University. Students were set challenges to build a robotic vehicle that could perform a variety of tasks including remain in an enclosed space and reacting to light and dark environments. This excursion was designed to provide an introduction of basic coding and see the development of the BHS robotics club. Students will be participating in the *world first Lego league robotic cup* in late November.

Bowral High Staff have been also delivering a STEM project to our community of primary schools. This project is centred around the construction of a rollercoaster. Students need to work to construct a ball bearing rollercoaster made from paper that allows the bearing to travel at the slowest speed possible. These projects will be showcased in the early weeks of Term 4.

Additionally staff have visited some of the leading NSW STEM schools to gather ideas to improve our STEM program here at BHS. Many fantastic ideas have been gathered and planning is beginning for an even busier STEM program in 2017.

Andrew Facer - STEM Co-ordinator



2016 NSWCHS State Athletics Championships

13 Students represented Bowral High School and the South Coast Region at the NSWCHS State Athletics Championships. The event was held at Sydney Olympic Park on 7-9 September. Our representatives achieved the following results:

Toby Croudson	16 boys 800m - 3rd.	1500m - 6th.
Kara Davis	17+ girls 4x100m relay - 10th.	
Blake Friedrich	17+ boys triple jump - 7th.	110m hurdles - 13th.
Baila Hernandez	17+ girls 100m hurdles - 10th.	4x100m relay - 10th.
Sebastian Hernandez	13 boys 90m hurdles - 9th.	high jump = 9th.
Ava Jones	13 girls high jump - 8th.	
Emma Marlow	17+ girls javelin - 4th.	
Alex Martin	14 boys discus - 12th.	
Taryn Rowe	14 girls javelin - 16th	
Emily Rutherford	17+ girls 4x100m relay - 10th.	
Brooke Todd	17+ girls 4x100m relay - 10th.	
Matt Vine	17+ boys long jump - 10th.	triple jump - 5th. 110m hurdles - 9th.
Chad Walker	12 boys 80m hurdles - 13th.	

Congratulations to all of the above students who have achieved exceptional results throughout the 2016 Athletics season.

A special congratulations to **Toby Croudson** who made it onto the podium at the State Championships in a close and exceptionally timed sprint finish in the 800m, an outstanding effort and result that is testament to his dedication and training.

A final congratulations to **Blake Friedrich, Emma Marlow, Emily Rutherford** and **Matt Vine** who competed for the final time as Year 12 students. Thank you for the past six years of consistent representation in the BHS Athletics Team. Your presence will be missed next year but you have all set a great example for our future team members.

Aaron Cooke Athletics Co-ordinator



Under 18's Girls Relay Team - Emily Rutherford, Brooke Todd, Kara Davis & Baila Hernandez



Toby Croudson

BOWRAL HIGH AT GOOGLE FOR EDUCATION ROADSHOW

On Thursday the 8 of September, staff members from Bowral High School attended the Google for Education Fuel the Future Roadshow at Wollongong Town Hall.

This roadshow is used to showcase how schools are using Google Apps for Education (GAFE) and Chromebooks to engage students in the classroom and deliver improved learning outcomes.

Bowral High School featured as a Reference School for the Wollongong Showcase, with Mr Hurley, Mr Cox and Mr Hawker presenting to a crowd of 50 Google employees, teachers and IT professionals.



Mr Hurley described the 'digital journey' Bowral High followed, starting with the Digital Education Revolution and introduction of DER laptops into the classroom to the implementation of BYOD and use of Chromebooks at Bowral High School.

Mr Cox explained how he has used GAFE in the technology class 8R over the last two years and how students have responded to the use of Chromebooks and Google apps such as Classroom, Sites and Docs in his lesson. He also

showed how his students have improved in their engagement in the classroom by referencing SMART data from the past years.

Mr Hawker showed how GAFE has been used in senior years in particular Biology and Marine Studies and how it has improved student engagement and outcomes. He also explained how Bowral High School has incorporated Google Classroom, Forms and Docs into the school's welfare system in order to provide improved support for the students at Bowral High School.

The Google for Education Roadshow was a great chance for staff of Bowral High to show GAFE is being incorporated into the classroom; it also showcased Bowral High School as a model for other schools in the implementation of BYOD and Chromebooks in the classroom.

As a thank you for presenting on the day, Google was pleased to present Mr Hurley, Mr Cox and Mr Hawker with three Google Cardboards which can be used to introduce virtual field trips for classes as well as a 360° camera which will be arriving at the school soon.



SPEAK ACT LEAD CAMP

On 29 August – 1 September more than one hundred Year 7 students participated in two student leadership camps at our annual student leadership program SPEAK, ACT, LEAD – at Wooglemai Education Centre.

On camp students develop their teamwork skills, awareness of others, leadership and do a 'Kindness Workshop' that launches our 40 DAY KINDNESS PROJECT (40DayKP).

The camp has practical component - the making of a global act of kindness. In 2015 this project was making a dozen water filtration units to transform lives in Uganda; in 2014 our global project was making prosthetic hands for landmine victims. This year our project was making 600 birthing kits for the Birthing Kit Foundation of Australia.



These kits help women in developing countries access clean and safe birthing environments; this reduces the incidence of infant and maternal morbidity and mortality.

Congratulations Year 7 for making a positive difference in the world with your kindness project of global dimensions!

A film about the camp and our global kindness project will feature in the end of Year Stage 4 Showcase Finale in Term 4 at the Empire Cinema, Bowral.



John Staats
Deputy Principal

40 Day KP – 40 Day Kindness Project

Last week the school launched its annual 40 Day Kindness Project.

Our whole school community is encouraged to do random acts of kindness and practice the concept of 'paying it forward'. This year we have Kindness Cards where students can ask people they are kind to, to 'pay it forward' and create a kindness ripple around the world.

Please visit our 40DayKP Facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/40daykp>

Here you can report acts of kindness and read about the amazing acts of kindness emanating from Bowral High School.

John Staats
Deputy Principal

BOWRAL HIGH SCHOOL'S

40DAYKP

(40 Day Kindness Project)




WHAT is it?

For the next 6 weeks, everyone in the school (teachers, students and parents) are encouraged to **do 3 to 5 random acts of kindness per day**.

WHY DO it?

Doing '**random acts of kindness**' **benefits everyone** - the recipient, the person who does the kind act and everyone who sees or hears about it.

Acts of kindness make us 'happier', combat depression, aid healing, build relationships and have a 'ripple effect'.

HOW do I DO IT?

Kindness is easy - it is in what you say, do and how you treat others. It is most powerful when it is done for someone you don't know and when you don't expect anything in return.

Get your **kindness cards** (from the student window, Year Adviser or Mr Staats).



Give a card to someone you see doing a random act of kindness

When you **do a random act of kindness** for someone else, **give them this card** and ask them to '**pay it forward**' - i.e. do something kind for someone else, and pass this card on.

Visit our 40DAYKP Facebook Page at
<https://www.facebook.com/40daykp> 'like us';
 put **KINDNESS INTO THE WORLD** by recording random acts of kindness you and others have done.

Library Upgrade Survey.

Over the next three years the school has made the upgrade of the library a school focus. We want to transform our library into a 21st century learning space.

Please help us by completing this online survey and have your say!

<https://www.surveymonkey.com>

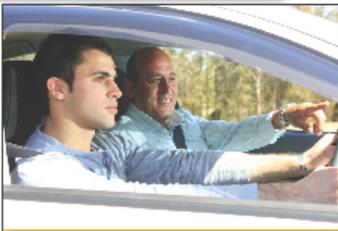
Attached to each question in the survey is a library layout with pictures of each of the items to choose from (desks shapes, furnishing etc).

Thank you for taking part.

John Staats
Deputy Principal



One of the sample designs to choose from

Teaching someone to drive can be a **happy** experience.



Come to a FREE Parent Workshop & Log Book Run

PARENT WORKSHOP
Wednesday 12 October 2016
6.00pm - 8.00pm

Helping you and your learner with practical advice about:

- Current laws for L & P licence holders
- Tips for supervising learner drivers
- Completing the Learner Driver Log Book
- Benefits of supervised on-road driving experience
- Low risk driving

LOG BOOK RUN
Sunday 23 October 2016
10.00am - 1.00pm

Gain 'real' driving log book time.

- Local drive for learners accompanied by their supervisors
- Clock up some driving experience hours
- Graduated Licensing Scheme's Learner Log Book topics covered
- Experience a NSW Police RBT set up

Minimum 25 hours in log book to participate
After Drive: **FREE lunch + Learner G & A with Police**

BOOKINGS ARE ESSENTIAL

Please call 4868 0809 or email melanie.lausz@wsc.nsw.gov.au
This event is conducted by the Wingecarribee Shire Council Road Safety Officer, supported by the RMS.




Some Calendar Dates for Term 3 & Term 4 2016

Weeks	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 10	19 September Year 11 Exams	20 September Year 8 History Day	21 September Year 12 Graduation 7pm Hall	22 September All Abilities Sport Year 12 Final Assembly and Jamberoo Trip	23 September Last Day Term 3
Week 1	10 October 1st Day Term 4	11 October	12 October	13 October HSC starts All Abilities Sport	14 October
Week 2	17 October Girls Rugby 7's	18 October	19 October P & C Meeting 6.30 SCR	20 October All Abilities Sport	21 October
Week 3	24 October	25 October Writer 'n' residence	26 October Year Assemblies	27 October All Abilities Sport	28 October
Week 4	31 October	1 November Year 7 Vaccinations	2 November	3 November All Abilities Sport	4 November HSC finishes



Thursday 29th September 2016
10am - 1pm at Bowral Memorial Hall, Bendooley Street, Bowral

Come and meet the services that are here to help you!

Aboriginal, aged care, children and families, disability, employment, health, housing, legal, transport, youth, volunteering, mental health and many more!
 For more information please contact Nicola from Wingecarribee Council on 4866 0801.

To book a stall please contact Lynne at The Disability Trust on 4860 1100 or email lynne@disabilitytrust.org.au

Find us on Facebook: www.facebook.com/wingecarribeecommunityservicesexpo

The Community Services Expo is presented by the Wingecarribee Community Services Forum with assistance from:



We are moving to Service NSW

From Friday 21 October, motor registry transactions and more will be available at the new Mittagong Service Centre.



Mittagong Service Centre will enable you to complete more than 900 NSW Government transactions in the one location.

Transactions include:

- Driver licence and photo ID cards
- Vehicle registration renewals
- Contractor licences
- Seniors Cards and many more.

Open: Monday to Friday 9am to 5pm

Visit service.nsw.gov.au, call 13 77 88 or download the mobile app.



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HSC Night Shift

For YEAR 12 STUDENTS

**BOWRAL LIBRARY
MONDAY
10TH OCTOBER 2016
6.30-10PM**



Bowral Library

Bendooley Place
Bendooley Street
Bowral

1300 266 235

libweb@wsc.nsw.gov.au



Get ready for the HSC with a lock-in at Bowral Library!

Come with a group of friends or on your own.
We'll provide the study space, and refreshments.
Bring along \$5 for pizza.

FREE

Limited spots! Book online @
www.hscllockin.eventbrite.com.au