



Wee Jasper Public School

The Bugle

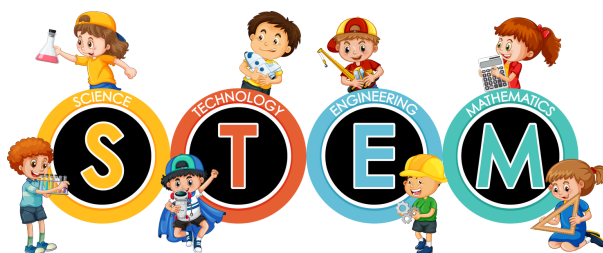
Term 1, Week 6, 2024 | Principal - Michelle Andrews



STEM with Ms Kemp.

STEM with Breadalbane & Dalton schools

Students enjoyed another STEM Day with their friends from Dalton and Breadalbane schools. Ms. Kemp talked with the students about fire and how it affects our environment.



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We acknowledge the traditional custodians of this land, the Wiradjuri and Ngunnawal nations, and pay our respect to Elders past, present and future • Proud member of the Binit Binit Learning Community

Term 1 & 2, 2024 calendar

WEEK 7 MARCH	MON 11	TUES 12	WED 13 Pulse - Sydney Harbour	THURS 14 Pulse Rehearsal & Performance	FRI 16 Pulse - Sydney Harbour
WEEK 8 MARCH	MON 18 The Wellbeing Show - Berinba	TUES 19	WED 20 STEM	THURS 21	FRI 22
WEEK 9 MARCH	MON 25	TUES 26	WED 27 STEM - Ms Kemp <i>Easter Fun</i>	THURS 28	FRI 29 <i>GOOD FRIDAY</i>
WEEK 10 APRIL	MON 1 <i>EASTER MONDAY</i>	TUES 2	WED 3 STEM PLC	THURS 4	FRI 5
WEEK 11 APRIL	MON 8	TUES 9	WED 10	THURS 11	FRI 12 BLC Cross Country
WEEK 1 APRIL/MAY	MON 29 <i>STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY</i>	TUES 30 <i>TERM 2 Students return</i>	WED 1 STEM Dalton PS	THURS 2	FRI 3

KEY DATES THIS YEAR

125 YEAR ANNIVERSARY SAVE THE DATES

Next year the Wee Jasper School will be celebrating 125 years.

Dates

Friday 30 August - School Events & Assembly

Saturday 31st August - Community Events including a dinner and band.



THE WELLBEING SHOW

Berinba Public School
9:30 am - Monday 18 March

PUBLIC HOLIDAYS

Good Friday - 29 March
Easter Monday - 1 April

staff weekly schedule

Monday

- Teaching Principal - Michelle Andrews (teaching)
- School Administration Manager - Wendy Griffiths

Tuesday

- Teaching Principal - Michelle Andrews (teaching)
- School Administration Manager - Wendy Griffiths
- School Learning Support Officer/School Administration Officer - Helen Cathles

Wednesday

- Teaching Principal - Michelle Andrews (principal admin)
- School Administration Manager - Wendy Griffiths
- School Learning Support Officer/School Administration Officer - Helen Cathles
- STEM Specialist - Anna Kemp
- General Assistant - Cameron Kellett

Thursday

- Teaching Principal - Michelle Andrews (Learning & Support)
- Assistant Principal Curriculum & Instruction - Troy Stewart
- Teacher - Kim Rowling
- School Administration Manager - Wendy Griffiths (Week 2, 4, 6, 8 and 10)

Friday

- Teaching Principal - Michelle Andrews (principal admin)
- Teacher - Kim Rowling
- School Learning Support Officer/School Administration Officer - Mary Goulding

Additional

Casual Teachers

- Sharlee Cassidy
- Kim Rowling
- Troy Stewart

Swimming Instructor

- Helen Cathles

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Principal's message

On Monday of this week, we joined Jordan Springs Public School. JSPS is a new school 10 minutes from Penrith. It has a school population of 1,100 students. Our Year 3 students confidently joined a Year 3 class, and our Year 1 students joined another Year 1 class. We stayed overnight in a hotel before attending Pulse rehearsals the next day. The students already knew all the songs and learned which parts of each song they sing with the choir. It was a new experience to have a conductor. The students tried hard to focus on the conductor with so many interesting things to look at. Thank you to Mrs. Griffiths and Mrs. B Cathles for catering for us. We also appreciate Mrs. H Cathles for joining us as the second adult. It is a significant commitment of staff and responsibility to attend overnight excursions.

Next week, we head back to Sydney for a day of rehearsals before our big choir performance at Roswell Arena Thursday evening. I know our students will be brilliant and will love every minute of being part of such a large performance. The girls have been so well behaved and actively engaged in every opportunity. We will make the most of being in Sydney, by visiting Katoomba the day before, to see The Three Sisters and participate in the Buunyal Tour at Scenic World. The day following the performance, we will head into Sydney CBD to walk around the Royal Botanical Gardens, Opera House and view the Sydney Harbour Bridge before boarding a boat for a Harbour Cruise, to see all the points of interest in Sydney from the harbour.

We have hosted two PLC's recently. The first one was our STEM PLC and the students learnt about bushfires. We are using student's home floor plans to devise a fire plan for each family. We are also looking at our school's fire plan and learning ways to help keep us safe. Our students really enjoy this PLC with Dalton and Breadalbane schools, and we look forward to heading to Breadalbane on Wednesday 3 April to continue this learning.

Yesterday we hosted more than 60 students in our Literacy & Numeracy PLC with Bowning and Binalong PS. The students participated in three activities with students in their age group. We had an NRL led activity, STEM and representatives from Maritime Boating Education. Our school presented a spelling and leadership workshop for all the teachers while the students engaged in the activities. It was wonderful to have so many people at our school. Everyone always comments on how much they love how our school looks and feels. It makes us proud knowing how special our school is.

Last week we had the pleasure of visiting Charlie Barton at Oakey Creek. The students explored his fabulously restored slab hut to learn more about life one hundred years ago there. Charlie explained many details about family life in that period. After a wonderful play, the students then imagined the family that lived there and wrote short stories about one of the family members living in the hut. Charlie made us all a lovely sausage sandwich for lunch. Thank you to Charlie for sharing his special hut with us and helping the students extend their understanding of life in Wee Jasper many years ago.

Will Kostakis returned last month to support our writing program. He was thrilled to see the improvement in our older student's writing. Will extended how well they create an orientation (introduction) to their stories, describing their characters and setting. He also supported their understanding of the structure of a narrative. Most importantly, he continued to create a love of writing. Thank you to Helen and Tim Cathles for providing accommodation. Thank you also to Wendy Griffiths and Bridgette and Antony Cathles for catering and hosting Will for dinner.

Michelle Andrews

Teaching Principal

Parents & Citizen 2024

Dear Community,

Thank you all once again for your continued support of our small school. We really appreciate it.

We wish to advise you that our next meeting will be held on Friday 24th of May at 8am at the school. New members are welcomed and encouraged. Our annual membership fee is \$5 and can be paid via direct deposit.

Account Name: WEE JASPER PUBLIC SCHOOL
BSB: 062-629

Account Number: 0090 0611

Reference: Your First and Last Name

Wee Jasper Public School's vision

Our school will remain the heart of our small rural community. Here, core values will be learned and lived, as every learner is fully engaged and challenged, in preparation to making their contribution to our complex and dynamic society. Every student will be known, valued and cared for and experience a secure sense of belonging and connection to this school, community and land. All students will be literate, numerate and curious. We will continue to see the diversity of our community as a pedagogical strength and draw upon our diverse human and natural resources to sustain learning. In this way, we will counter the potential disadvantage of living in a small, remote community.

School news

STEM - PLC at Wee Jasper

Last week Dalton and Breadalbane schools came to Wee Jasper for the first STEM Day of Term 1. Ms. Kemp was teaching the students about fire and the effect it has on our environment. Students had a wonderful time creating artworks inspired from this theme.

They learnt about different building materials and how they react to a fire. Fire safety plans were discussed, and the students are now looking at how they can create fire evacuation and safety plans for their own homes.



Amazing Abi

Congratulations to Abi Apps for receiving the "Most Improved" Swimming Award.

Abi concentrated and practiced her swimming skills during our 8 day swim program.



School news

Hall Museum Excursion - Monday 12th Feb

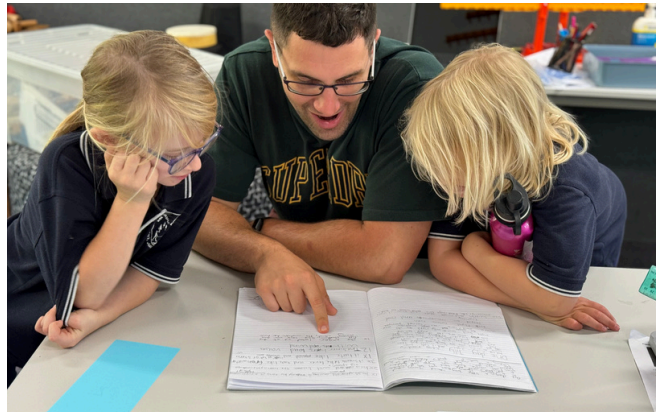


School news

Will Kostaskis visits WJ school

February 22, Will Kostaskis visited us at Wee Jasper Public School. With his help, we created a story about a happy cat and a cranky cat. We also made a story about a baker who has an accident. We drew pictures for our stories. Overall, it was a good day of learning with Will. -

Abi



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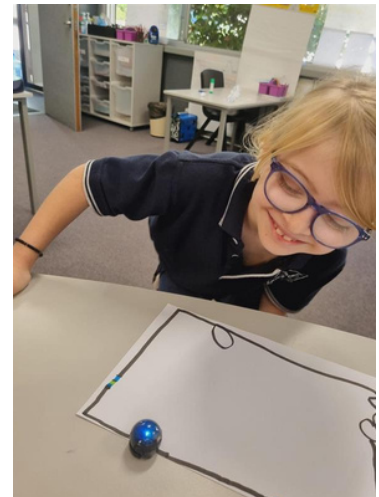
PLC WJPS

Wee Jasper hosted the most recent PLC Day on Thursday, March 7. Bowning PS and Binalong PS travelled to our beautiful school where all students had a fun filled day of STEM with Ms. Anna Kemp, NRL with Courtney and Zac and Boating Safety.

STEM with Ms. Anna Kemp explained to our students what STEM is about and encouraged them to think outside of the box. Our students learnt how to code. They did this by drawing lines on a piece of paper and they gave little robots instructions.

The students played many fun tag games with Courtney and Zac. In one game, there were a group of students who were "Sharks" (Abi was one of the Sharks) and they had to catch people running from the A to B safe areas.

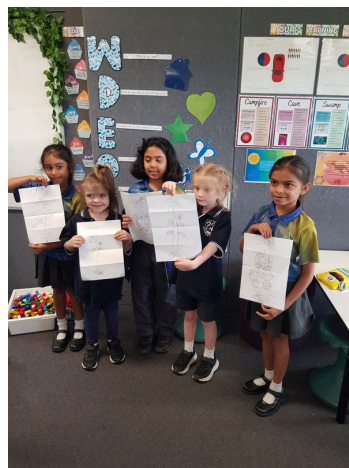
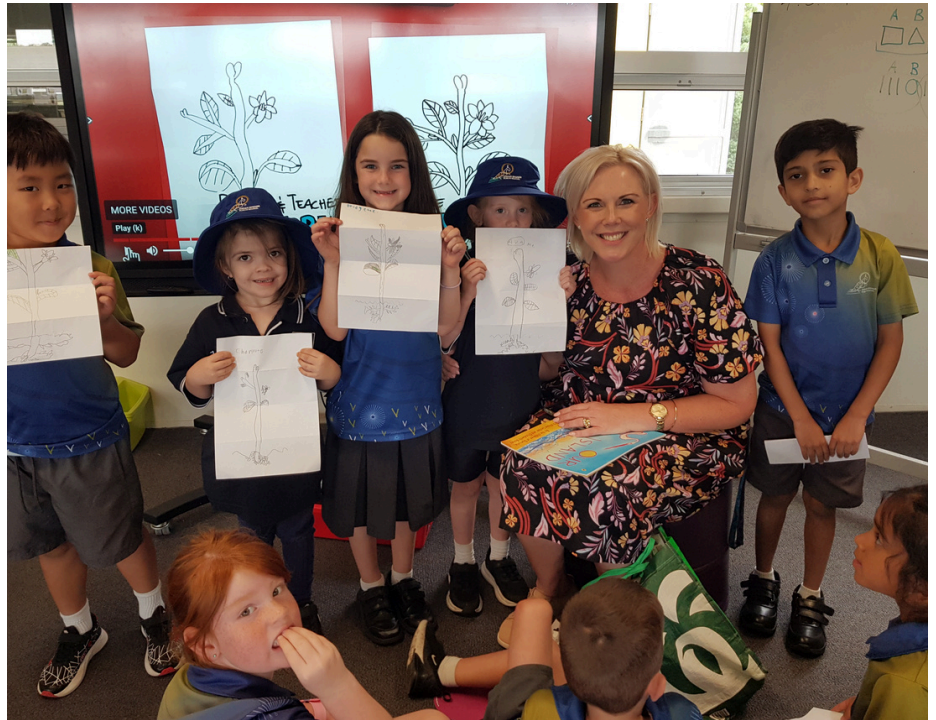
We had a very informative time with Boating Safety. All students learnt how to quickly put on a life jacket and all the pieces of equipment you will need on a boat for safety and survival in an emergency situation. The student's families are now enjoying the whistle the students were given!



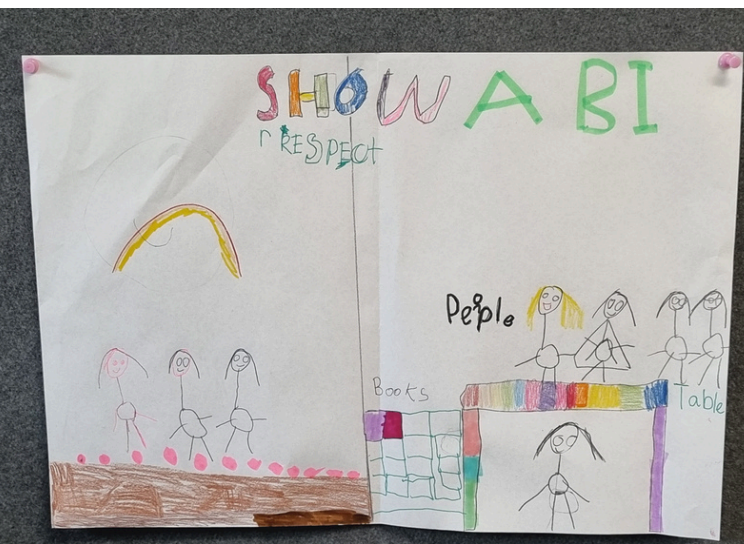
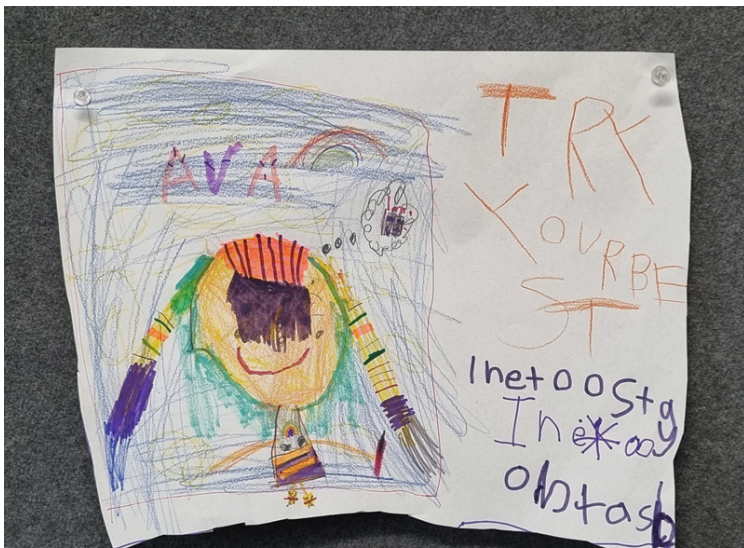
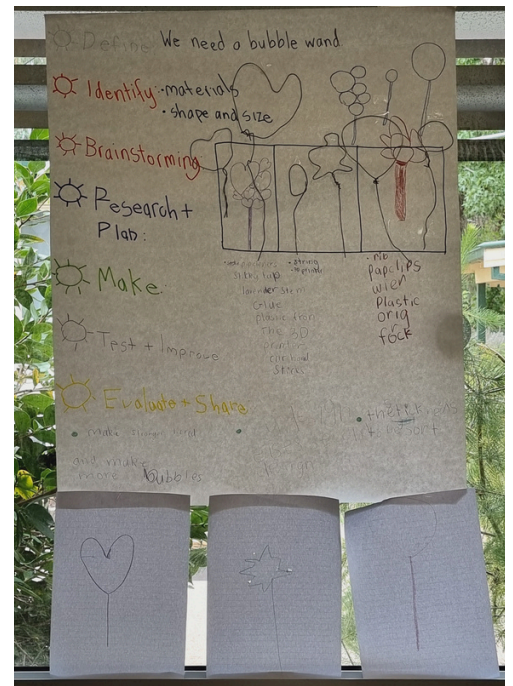
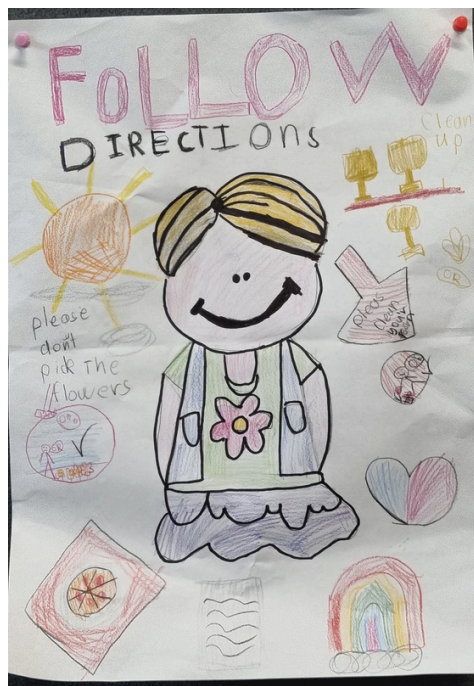
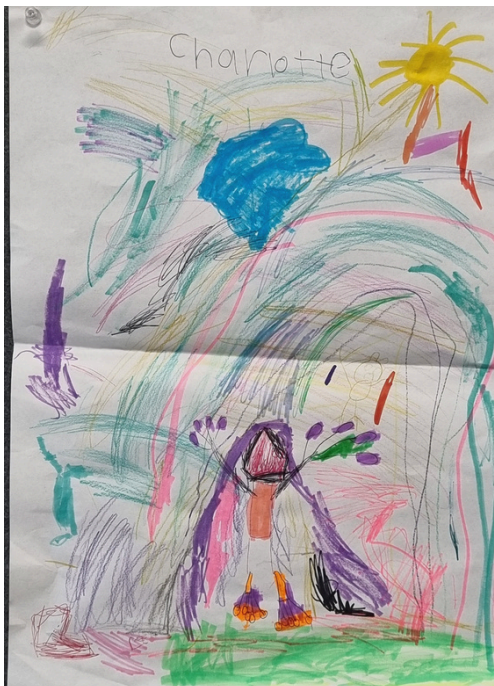
Out and About

Jordan Springs Public School

On Monday 4th March the students went to visit Jordan Springs Public School on their way to their Pulse rehearsal on the Tuesday. Year 1 and Year 3 students went into their respective classes. It was a wonderful experience for our students. Jordan Springs is a large school with over 1,100 students. Year 1 has 8 different classes alone! The girls had a wonderful time and staff were really proud of how well our students coped going into such a different setting.



School news



Out and About

Pulse Rehearsals

On Tuesday the students attended the rehearsal for Pulse Alive. The students had singing practice from 9.30am until 2.30pm. Consequently they were a little hoarse on the bus ride home!

The students were amazing and behaved beautifully. It was a big day but worthwhile to be able to practice with 500 other students all singing in time.



Out and About



Visit to the Old Slab Hut with Charlie Barton

The students were lucky enough to be able to visit one of Wee Jasper's local landmarks - the restored slab hut on Charlie & Jennifer Barton's property Oakey Creek. Charlie chatted with the girls about how life would have been living in the hut and how different it would have been to our lives now. Thank you very much to Charlie for his time and for cooking us a wonderful BBQ lunch!



125 Year Anniversary updates

History of Wee Jasper

It has been fascinating looking through memorabilia at school. This week, we have come across photos of the trees which were planted by the community near the Wee Jasper Bridge. The students at the school were involved. We also discovered that the school uniform consisted of the red and blue brigade. These are names that refer to the colour of their school T-shirts. We hope you enjoy viewing some of these photos.



Community page

Spice Affair Yass is delivers to Wee Jasper!

Spice Affair do a bulk delivery to Wee Jasper once a month. The last delivery we had 13 yummy orders!

Please get your orders in by **Friday 29 March** for a delivery on Sunday 31 March.

Here's how it works:

1. Choose your menu items from the menu brochure enclosed in this issue of the Bugle
2. Email that list to Ian and Helen Cathles weejasper@bigpond.com
3. Add up the amount owing on your order
4. Do an electronic transfer for that amount to **BSB 032 771 & A/C 230898** and make sure to put **your name as the reference** in the deposit
5. Your order will be delivered to the Wee Jasper Distillery on the last Sunday in the month, at approximately 4.30pm

PLEASE NOTE:

Orders must be emailed and paid for by the previous Friday night

If the order is not paid by then your order will not be included

If you have any queries, please call Ian or Helen - 6227 9634 or Ian - 0467 442 911 and Helen - 0419 232 958.

The total value of our combined orders needs to reach \$500 for the delivery to go ahead. If it does not reach \$500 all monies will be returned.

Their food is absolutely delicious and it freezes well. Ian and I often buy one to eat now and one for the freezer!!

Happy eating!
Helen Cathles



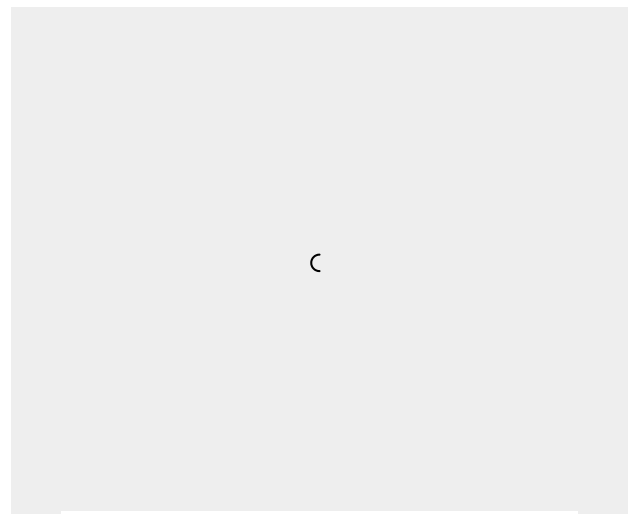
Shave for a cure!

Where: Wee Jasper Distillery
6494 Wee Jasper Rd, Wee Jasper NSW 2582

When: 16 March

*In loving memory of
Shannon's grandmother,
Jean-Luc's wife, mother,
and to help others.*

- Jean Luc



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WEE JASPER PUBLIC SCHOOL'S

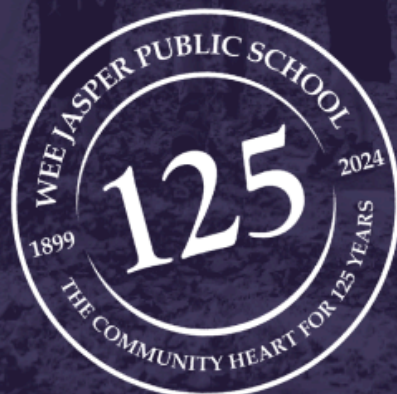
125th Anniversary

MARKET DAY & DINNER

AUGUST

SAT **31** 2024

FROM 10AM



HELD AT
WEE JASPER PUBLIC SCHOOL &
WEE JASPER MEMORIAL HALL

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CALL TO STALLHOLDERS
JOIN US TO CELEBRATE 125 YEARS

SATURDAY 31ST AUGUST 10-3PM
WEE JASPER PUBLIC SCHOOL

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PLC Days:
Week 1 Dalton PS
Week 5 - Wee Jasper PS
Week 10 - Breadalbane PS

TERM 1

Material Word
Digital Technology
Bushfires - Policy



TERM 2

Earth and Space Sciences
Digital Technology Aldrin
Maps – Australian Space
Agency



TERM 3

Back In Time – Yester Year –
Physical World
Digital Technology



TERM 4

Living World
Digital Technology



SCIENCE TECHNOLOGY
ENGINEERING MATHEMATICS



Crookwell
Academy of
STEM
Excellence





YOU ARE INVITED TO

Bowning Public School

175

YEARS OF

EDUCATION



MARCH 9TH - 10AM - 2PM

BOWNING PUBLIC SCHOOL

MARKETS, DISPLAYS, JUMPING CASTLES

FUN FOR ALL AGES

COME CELEBRATE WITH US

FREE



The Bowning School



ANZAC Day Walk 2024

More details to come. Please contact
Antony Cathles for further information

Where: Wee Jasper Bridge for the walk
and then at the Memorial Hall for the
service

When: 25 April 2024



Clean up Australia Day

**This event has
been cancelled.**

Unfortunately, Yass Council is not in
the position to provide necessary
signage to allow us to safely remove
rubbish from the roadside (where the
majority of the rubbish accumulates)
so regrettably Clean Up Wee Jasper
on Sunday will have to be cancelled.

Thanks to all who planned to be
involved, your safety is important to
us. Thanks Jean-Luc for attempting to
organise, after having such successful
years in the past. It is unfortunate.

-Yass Valley Council