Wee Jasper Public School

The Bugle

Term 2, Week 10 2024 | Principal - Michelle Andrews

2024 Wee Jasper staff and students.

Our Happy Caterpillars

Our happy little caterpillars performed "Metamorphosis" at the Southern Tablelands Dance Festival on Tuesday, 11 June 2024.

More photos on page 10.

Excited and ready for the Dance Festival.

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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 2, 2024 calendar

WEEK 6 JUNE	**MON 3** Wellbeing Program	**TUES 4**	**WED 5**	**THURS 6** **PLC - Binalong**	**FRI 7** **Tennis**
WEEK 7 JUNE	**MON 10** ***King's Birthday Public Holiday***	**TUES 11** Southern Tablelands Dance	**WED 12** STEM	**THURS 13** Enviro Mentors	**FRI 14**
WEEK 8 JUNE	**MON 17** Wellbeing Program	**TUES 18**	**WED 19** STEM	**THURS 20**	**FRI 21** Tennis
WEEK 9 JUNE	**MON 24** Wellbeing Program	**TUES 25**	**WED 26** Questacon (tentative)	**THURS 27**	**THURS 28** 8am P&C Meeting
WEEK 10 JULY	**MON 1** Wellbeing Program	**TUES 2**	**WED 3** STEM PLC Binalong PS	**THURS 4**	**FRI 5** ***Last Day of Term 2***
WEEK 1 JULY	**MON 22** ***Staff Development Day***	**TUES 23** ***School Returns*** Life Education	**WED 24** STEM PLC Dalton PS	**THURS 25**	**FRI 26**

KEY DATES THIS YEAR

125 YEAR ANNIVERSARY

SAVE THE DATES

Wee Jasper School is celebrating 125 years.

Friday 30 August- School Events & Assembly.

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

TERM 3 KEY DATES

23 July
School returns & Life Education
1 August
Parent, Student and Teacher meetings
19-23 August
Book Week
Book Week Parade - Friday, 23 August at 10:30 am
22 August
Yass Public Author Talk at 11:45 am - 1 pm
30-31 August
125 Year Anniversary
2 September
Drama Festival
12 December
PLC Bowning PS
13 September
Careers Expo

Staff weekly schedule

Monday
- Teaching Principal - Michelle Andrews (teaching)
- Teacher - Kim Rowling (Wellbeing program)
- 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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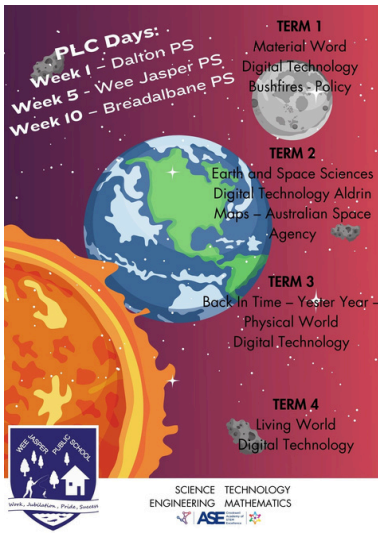

125-Year Anniversary Working Bee

We will be holding a working bee on the weekend of Saturday 18 & Sunday 19 August.

We would really appreciate any community volunteers who could donate a couple of hours on either day. The time will be confirmed and of course is flexible.

We will be focusing on the school grounds, Memorial Hall and grounds of the tennis courts.
A BBQ, coffee and cold drinks will be provided.
Please contact the school or feel free to just turn up.

Thanks in advance.

Principal's message

Congratulations to our students for their wonderful efforts this term. They have diligently gone about their learning and focused on improving their performance. Our students always enjoy playing safely together and relish opportunities to learn with other schools. Today, their end of Semester One Reports went home and we welcome the opportunity to join students and parents for the Three-way Conferences on Thursday August 1. If you have not yet made an appointment, please email Ms. Andrews to do so.
Congratulations to our students for their performance at the Southern Tablelands Dance Festival. They received many compliments for their performance, and we were grateful to Karabar High School staff and students for choreographing and supporting our students. Our school has been nominated for the State Ensemble and we will hear early next term whether we have qualified to perform in Sydney.
Our Year 3 students competed at the BLC Athletics Carnival and both students have qualified for Yass District PSSA Athletics on Friday 2 August. We adore how our students embrace all opportunities.
Our students, staff and parents are getting excited about our upcoming 125-year celebrations next term. We have provided a snapshot of the planned events in this newsletter for your convenience. You may also like to follow us on Facebook and Instagram for updates. The students have been busy creating beautiful artworks which will feature on T-towels and mugs available for purchase at our event. The students have used watercolours paints to create images of local landmarks, flora and fauna with outstanding results.
We will be having a 'Working Bee' over the weekend of Saturday 17 and Sunday 18 of August. We would greatly appreciate any community support to help us make our school, the Memorial Hall and tennis courts look exemplary as we celebrate our special commemoration. If you have a few spare hours, please let Ms. Andrews know or just turn up.
Our history book is well on track. We have been inundated with photos and stories from ex-students and ex-staff. If you have not yet had a chance to write and email your annotations, please aim to do so by Friday 12 July or earlier if possible.
I am most grateful to our 125-anniversary committee for all their hard work. Next term is going to be extremely busy, but we cannot wait to share this event with our community and with people who were previously involved in our school.
I wish all our student, their families and our staff a wonderful and safe holiday. Staff return to school on Monday 22 July and students return on Tuesday 23 July. Students will have Life Education visiting on day 1.

Michelle Andrews
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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 are reaching out for volunteers for our next Bunnings BBQ on Saturday the 20th of July. If you are able to help out we would really appreciate it. Please contact Bridgette at **weejasperpublicschool@pandcaffiliate.org.au**

We also wish to advise you that our next meeting will be held on Friday 28th June 2024, 8am at the school. New members are welcomed and encouraged. Our annual membership fee is $5 and can be paid via direct deposit.

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Account Number: 0090 0611
Reference: Your first and last name

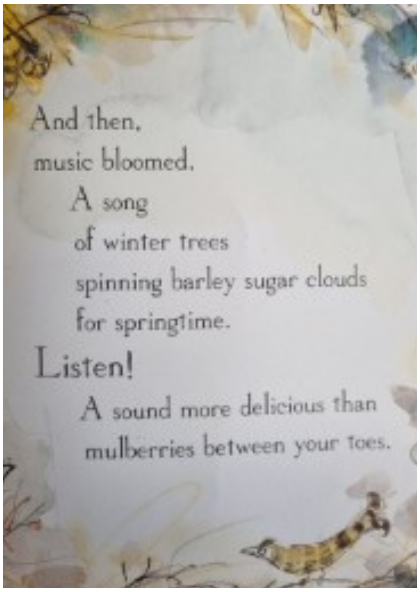
Wee Jasper Public School's vision

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.

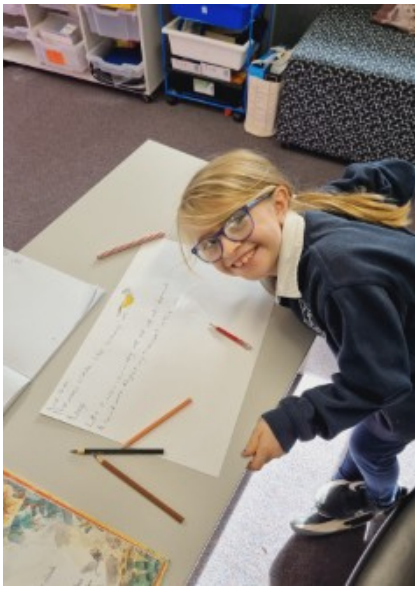
School news

Learning with Mr Stewart

Our students had a great time learning with Mr Stewart on Friday, 14 July. Tilly and Abi recreated a poem to make it the opposite of what it was. Charlotte improved her writing using prepositions. They are all very proud of their work!



Above: poem which Abi and Tilly based their poems from.



And then,
the music crashed like
screaming cats.
A song,
like a snow storm, very cold
and sad and depressed.
A sound more disgusting
than vomit in the car.
Abi

And then!
a screeching dog banging on
the window.
A song frosts in the air
cold and shivery
Listen!
The trees are strangling
a sound as electric as
lightning across the room.
Tilly

School news

Outdoor Maths with Mrs Rowling

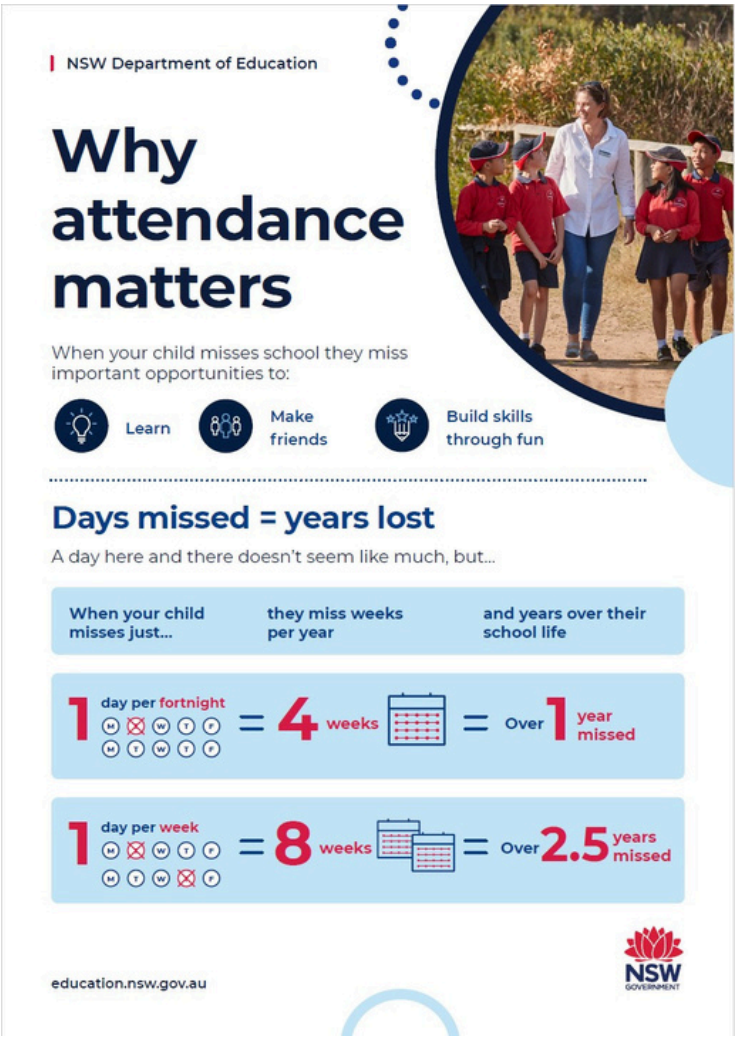
The students enjoyed outdoor learning in the sunshine while waiting for their turn for a tennis lesson with Craig.

Ava and Charlotte were rolling dice and learning about tally marks and which numbers had a higher chance of occurring.

Abi and Tilly were learning how to combine numbers and find the answer using larger numbers.

Dance rehearsals

Our students have been quite focused and working very hard to memorise their "Metamorphosis" dance that they will soon be performing for the Southern Tablelands Dance Festival in Goulburn.



School news

Athletics Carnival

Our Year 3 students attended the Smalls Schools Athletics carnival on Wednesday 19th June 2024.

It was a frosty and foggy start to the day and the sun didn't appear until after lunch, but our students braved the weather and tried their very best.

RESULTS:
Junior 800m - 1st place Tilly
9 year old 100m - 2nd place Abigail
Junior 200m - 3rd place Abigail
Junior Shot Put - 3rd place Tilly
Junior Discus - 3rd place Tilly

Meanwhile our Year 1 students had the day at Bowning Public School and had a wonderful creative day and our students particularly enjoyed Bowning's cubby house.

School news

Art With Ms Andrews

Our students have been busy with Ms Andrews as they created beautiful artwork. They also drew pictures of their “Metamorphosis” dance which they recently performed in Goulburn.

Out and about

PLC at Binalong Public School

On June 6, our We Jasper students visited Binalong Public School for their PLC day along with Bowning Public School.

The students had lots of fun watching a puppet show about a farmer who had a rabbit eating up all his flowers, learning about Paper Wasps with Mr Godman, learning about rockets and shapes with Mrs Cassidy.

In the afternoon, all students had the opportunity to create their own shadow puppets out of paper or cardboard. The students made shapes out of animals or people. They had a fun experience turning off all the lights and closing the curtains so they could shine a torch on their creations to see the shadow behind the light in their dark classroom.

Out and about

Southern Tablelands Dance

On Tuesday 11th June our students performed in Goulburn for the Southern Tablelands dance.
The students did an amazing job and performed beautifully.
A huge thank you to our friends from Karabah High School in Queanbeyan who helped choreograph the dance for the girls as well as help teach them the dance. They also helped with our students' costumes. We are really grateful to these wonderful students.
The students worked with Mrs Griffiths to make clay bowls and cards to gift the high school students with.

"We loved the butterfly part where we pulled out our wings and flapped around the stage!"
- Abi, Tilly, Charlotte.

Out and about

Mamma Mia

The students were invited to watch the dress rehearsal performance of Mamma Mia at Yass High School recently. It was wonderful to see our ex-students confidently performing and displaying their passion for the arts.

Southern Tablelands Dance Thank You Cards

Our students took great pride in making beautiful cards for the Karabah students to say thank you for all their help.

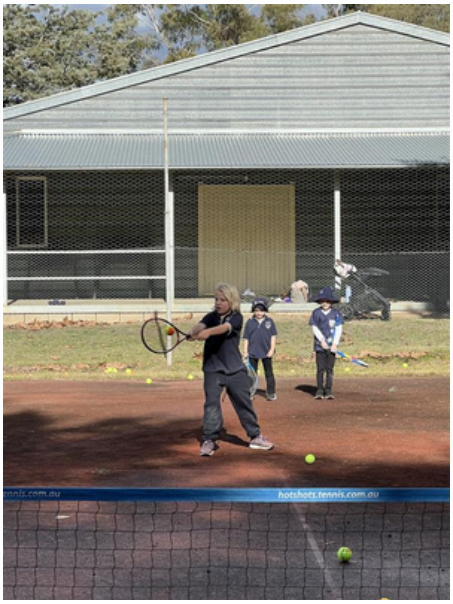
Out and about

Tennis

Wee Jasper students had their last tennis lesson for Term 2 with Craig. They enjoyed a visit from previous Wee Jasper staff member, Hannah Sparks and their baby Freyja.

The students received certificates. Craig noted the significant improvement in their tennis skills.

The students are looking forward to the arrival of the new tennis net which will be permanently erected at the tennis courts after our 125-year celebration. They enjoyed their tennis games with Craig!



125 Year Anniversary

Friday 30 August

Official Assembly
10am - Our students will perform a range of songs, dance and drama. Cutting of the cake. Official unveiling of the classroom mural.

Clockwise Circus
10:45am -2:30pm- We warmly invite children to join our students for circus workshops. Any child in our community who is 0 - 12 years may attend with a parent.
1pm -1:30pm - Lunch is provided so please RSVP for catering purposes.
2:30pm- Student performance
RSVP is essential- Please contact the school by 23 August on 6226 9652.

Saturday 31 August Day

From 10am - 2pm

- Wee Jasper student performances
- Photography competition and display
- Markets (including food, coffee, ice cream, jewellery, pet accessories, pet caricature portraits, candles bath bombs, soaps and homewares)
- P&C food stall

- Entertainment stage throughout the day
  - Lil Davies & Kial Malone
  - Rachel Hore & Pop-up Choir
  - Daniel Kelly

- Clockwise Circus Street Performers
- STEM - Come & Try
- Circus - Come and try workshops
- RFS display
- Fire brigade tug-of-war contents
- Time capsule from the centenary
- Heritage carpentry with Kosciuszko Huts Association
- Yass Car Club
- Police display
- Photo booth
- Hall School Museum display
- Water tank mural reveal
- Memorabilia for sale

  - Wee Jasper Grevilia plants for sale
  - T-towels
  - Mugs
  - Cookbook
  - History Book

Saturday 31 August Dinner and Band

From 5:30pm - Wee Jasper Memorial Hall
Tickets: $25pp. FREE for kids under 12
** Tickets can only be bought from the QR code*

6pm - Grazing plates
6:30pm - Dinner
8pm - Midnight - Live music and entertainment

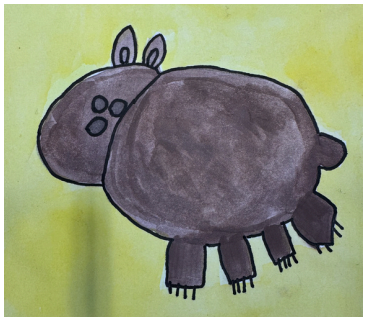
125 Year Anniversary

Mural Art

You may have noticed our mural artists, Simon Sawell and Daniel, busy painting our mural on the concrete water tank. Mrs. Griffiths and Simon designed the image from ideas the community sent into us from our recent survey. Simon has then created this vision into something amazing. You are welcome to come onto school grounds to see his work in progress.
The water tank is almost completed and then he will be painting the bore pump shed and the end wall of the classroom. What this space, as it evolves. has a beautiful theme of the Wee Jasper area.

Student Designs

Our budding artists have been hard at work creating artwork for the 125 Year Anniversary Memorabilia which will be printed on T-towels and mugs. Here is a sneak peak of some of their artwork.



JOIN US TO CELEBRATE
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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DINNER & BAND

AUGUST

SAT 31 2024

FROM 5.30PM
WEE JASPER MEMORIAL HALL

6PM - GRAZING PLATES
6:30AM - DINNER
7:15PM - DESSERT

MUSIC FROM
THE FRIDAY BAND
8PM -MIDNIGHT
Great classic country & pub rock songs from the 70s to 90s

TICKETS
AVAILABLE NOW
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$25PP
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DINNER CATERED BY THE GOLDEN ROAST

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125 Anniversary PHOTOGRAPHY COMPETITION

PRIZES
1st $200
2nd $100
People's Choice $75

As part of our 125 Year Anniversary celebration, we are calling all local amateur photographers to submit photographs of the Yass Valley Region. Entries will be exhibited at the Wee Jasper Public School as part of our celebration on Saturday 31 August.

Sections: Junior (up to 16 years age) & Open Section (Prizes for both sections)

Each person is permitted to enter one photo.
Entry is free. Closing date - Friday 16 August
Photos to be 20cm x 25cm (8 x 10") and not mounted.
The committee will mount all entries onto mounting card for display.
Photo entries can be dropped off at Merchant Campbell or to Wee Jasper PS.

Please include your name, subject title, brief description, category (age if junior) and contact details (parents please include your first name).

Winners will be announced on Saturday 31 August at closing ceremony at 2pm.
Entries can be collected after 2pm on Saturday 31 August 2024.

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125th Anniversary Welcomes

WEE JASPER PUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENTS

Ava-May, Matilda, Abigail, and Charlotte love performing in a range of the performing arts. They have attended Wee Jasper Public School since Kindergarten and are now in Years 1 or Year 3. In 2024, all students performed as part of a mass choir at Pulse Alive in Roswell Arena. They danced in 2023 & 2024 at The Southern Tablelands Dance Festival in Goulburn. Matilda and Abigail also dance in a mass dance at Pulse Alive in both 2021 & 2022. The students are excited to perform at the 125-Year Anniversary of their local school. Their performances will occur throughout the timetable and include song, dance, and drama

PERFORMING AT OUR MARKET DAY BETWEEN 10AM & 2.15PM

WEE JASPER PUBLIC SCHOOL

125th Anniversary Welcomes

DANIEL KELLY

Daniel is a songwriter and singer from Yass who likes to collect and record folk ballads, mostly from Ireland, Scotland, and England. He performs regularly around the Yass area, at folk festivals and other events in the region. Daniel has published three albums of original songs covering the recent and distant history of the Yass Valley, including a song celebrating Carey's Caves. His albums are available on Bandcamp and many streaming services.
www.folklounge.org

PERFORMING AT OUR MARKET DAY BETWEEN 10.45AM & 11.45AM

WEE JASPER PUBLIC SCHOOL

125th Anniversary Welcomes

RACHEL HORE & THE POP UP CHOIR

Rachel has led numerous international singing and cultural tours where songs and performances are shared. Rachel is passionate about the role of singing in creating community and bridging cultural differences.
She is the founder of Big Sing in the Desert, a unique music and cultural e xchange event for First Nations and non-Indigenous singers held annually near Alice Springs. Rachel has conducted several large choral events for over 500 voices, including Under One Sky (with the African Children's Choir, Sydney Children's Choir and Gondwana Voices) the Woodford Folk Festival Fire Choir, the National Folk Festival Choir, and the Melbourne Millennium Chorus.
40-50 singers will be joining Rachel for the Wee Jasper event.
Follow Rachel on Facebook and Instagram

PERFORMING AT OUR MARKET DAY BETWEEN 11.45AM TO 1PM

WEE JASPER PUBLIC SCHOOL

125th Anniversary Welcomes

LIL DAVIES & KIAL MALONE

Lil and Kial are two songwriters who share a passion for music and storytelling. Described as two old souls, their love of blues and country music is showcased in their live performance, with their repertoire spanning backroad acoustic ballads, to soulful blues classics, to their own interpretations of modern singalong anthems.

PERFORMING AT OUR MARKET DAY BETWEEN 10.15AM & 3PM

WEE JASPER PUBLIC SCHOOL

125th Anniversary Welcomes

CLOCKWISE CIRCUS

Clockwork Circus is a family-based troupe of circus performers, featuring acrobats, jugglers, hoopers, stilt-walkers and unicyclists. We specialise in roving characters and circus performances, as well as all-abilities circus workshops for events and festivals. We are excited to be joining the Wee Jasper Public School for their 125th Anniversary Celebration and will be bringing our Aristocratic Bugs to come and meet the lovely Wee Jasper community. We also warmly welcome everyone (yes, grown-ups too!) to our come and try circus workshops, where you can learn a new circus trick or two, have a try at juggling or hooping, or find out the secret to spinning plates.

PERFORMING AND DEMONSTRATING CIRCUS ACTS AT OUR MARKET DAY BETWEEN 10AM & 3PM

HERITAGE CARPENTRY

BY THE KOSCIUSZKO HUTS ASSOCIATION

ARE JOINING

WEE JASPER PUBLIC SCHOOL'S 125 ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

THE KOSCIUSZKO HUTS ASSOCIATION ARE HOLDING A HERITAGE CARPENTRY EXHIBITION AT THE WEE JASPER PUBLIC SCHOOL'S 125 YEAR ANNIVERSARY

THEIR EXHIBITION OF BUSH CARPENTRY WILL INCLUDE:

- CROSSCUT SAW
- ADZE
- FROE
- BROAD AXE
- JOINERY
- SPOON MAKING

WEE JASPER PUBLIC SCHOOL, 31 AUGUST 2024

Opening Ceremony 10am

KHA Heritage Carpentry Exhibition 10.15am - 2pm