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Bowral & District Hospital Redevelopment Newsletter



Season's Greetings

Wishing you all the very best for the festive season from the Bowral & District Hospital Redevelopment team.

The team is taking a break to spend time with friends and family, and to rest and recharge before getting back into it from 15 January.

We thank you for your continuing interest in the redevelopment of your hospital and look forward to keeping you updated as works continue in 2024.

Drop by on Thursday 21
December and enjoy the
Christmas Carols performed
by the Mittagong Anglican
Church from 11am – 12 noon
in the main foyer near our
stunning Christmas tree!



Wrapping up for 2023

There has been plenty of activity on site this year as the \$55 million Stage 2 redevelopment progresses.

Works now underway include the transformation of the former administration building into a contemporary Outpatient Centre, to be known as The OC.

General Manager Bradley Warner said The OC is the centrepiece of the Stage 2 redevelopment. "It will feature expanded and purpose-built allied health services and therapy spaces for physiotherapy, speech pathology, cardiac rehabilitation and diagnostics, occupational therapy, social work and dietetics," he said.

"It will also include medical clinics for general medicine, geriatrics, diabetes, podiatry and respiratory, pathology, and a modern gymnasium, and we expect it to be operational during 2024."

We're looking forward to a busy start to the New Year with plenty still going on behind the blue site safety screens.



General Manager Bradley Warner recently shared the progress on the new Outpatient Centre (OC) with our new Director of Allied Health Services Holly Furness



Art Commissions

In August this year we called for expressions of interest for the development of artworks to be used as part of the Stage 2 redevelopment and we look forward to introducing the artists who were successful in this process early in 2024.

"The selected artists will be developing original artworks to be included in the new Outpatient Centre and elsewhere across the hospital campus," said Health Infrastructure Project Director Matthew von Bertouch.

The hospital's Redevelopment
Manager Vanessa Ezzy said the
artworks would create welcoming
spaces in a range of clinical and
non-clinical settings that celebrate
our region's uniqueness and support
the health and wellbeing of our
patients, visitors and staff.

From our social media

We recently launched our purple bench as part of an international campaign to commemorate victims of domestic and family violence, to assist survivors and provide direct links to support services.

Situated outside the hospital's main entrance, the brightly coloured bench features a QR code linking to the <u>NSW Domestic Violence Line</u> which supports people experiencing domestic and family violence or their loved ones.

Whilst this campaign is not directly redevelopment related, it is a vitally important initiative, and we are spreading the message widely to raise awareness of the supports available.

Follow us on <u>Facebook</u> for all the latest hospital and redevelopment news via our Facebook page!



However you spend your holiday season, stay safe, and be mindful that hot weather can be dangerous. Know what actions you can take to protect yourself and others. Check in on older family, friends, and neighbours, and visit heatwatch.sydney.edu.au to learn more.





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