Combining for cultural heritage

STUDENTS from Upper Landsdowne Public School and Chatham High School recently joined Crowdy Head School students for two activity days at the Crowdy Head School Environment Centre.

The focus was on Aboriginal cultural heritage.

The day was organised by Manning Coastcare Group and Crowdy School principal, Chris Tsembris, with funding support from the Hunter Central Catchment Management Authority under their Communities Caring for Catchments Program 2011/12. Nardja Davies from the Yun Ya barggay Guides working out of the Sea Acres Rainforest Centre led the group.

Year 6 students from Chatham High School took video footage of the day and will be making it into a short video. Chatham sent staff including their deputy principal, Kylee Owen, and Uncle Matt, Aboriginal aide from the school as well as a couple of other aides.

Upper Landsdowne School and staff also joined in the beach ramble and traditional games.

Lunch was bush tucker featuring fresh mullet and kanga sausages with salads provided from the schools garden. Dot Klenk and Steve Klump provided the catering.

An added bonus for the day was a short first aid course for the students run by Phil Spicer from Crowdy Head Surf Lifesaving Club.

More events are planned for the community in the near future and these will be advertised through the local media and community networks.

Chris Tsembris, principal of Crowdy Head Public School, with the students and support staff.