



## Dunedoo Central School Education Day 2025





Public Education Week is a time for all of us to come together and celebrate our commitment to *Ignite your potential*. Let's take pride in being part of NSW public education and the endless and far-reaching achievements of our students and staff.

## Come along and celebrate with us on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> August

10.00am: Information Session, Library

10.40am : Morning Tea, Library

11.00am: Whole School Assembly

12.00pm: Open classrooms

12.40pm: Lunch on the Lawn

We look forward to welcoming you into our school





Tomorrow (Wed, 30/7) we are celebrating 100 days of learning for 2025. K-6 students are welcome to come dressed in bright coloured clothing.



## WELCOME ALEXANDRIA ROSE STONESTREET

Alexandria was born on 18<sup>th</sup> July 2025 at 8.32am, weighing 2.8kg(6lb2oz) and measuring 49cm in length. Congratulations Miss Elmore and Luke, and we can't wait to meet the newest member of the DCS family!



#### Welcome to Term 3!

Baby Girl - A big congratulations to Miss Elmore and her partner Luke on the arrival of their new baby girl, Alexandria. Both mum and baby are doing well, and we look forward to a visit later in the term. For details and a photo please see the notice in this newsletter.

Education Week – Next week we will be celebrating Education Week with this year's theme being 'Ignite your Potential'. This is a time to come together and celebrate the strength, diversity and achievements of NSW public education - where every student is supported to learn, grow and thrive. We look forward to you joining us for our Education Week celebrations next Tuesday, 5th August, commencing with an Open Day/Information Session at 10am followed by morning tea, a whole school assembly at 11:00am, then open classrooms for K-6 and Lunch on the Lawn. Advanced Life photography will be in attendance to take some promotional photographs of students and families for DCS to use in the future. Please contact the school if you do not want your child to be photographed for these promotional photographs.

Prefects Luncheon – Last Thursday, I had the privilege of taking our school captains Georgie and Ella, along with our Year 11 SRC representatives Shelley and Fletcher, to the Warrumbungle Shire Council Chambers for a leadership session and lunch. Students from the six secondary schools in the Warrumbungle Shire attended an information session on preparing for a job and interviews, followed by lunch with the mayor, Kathy Rindfleish, and several councillors. Students finished the day by participating in a mock council meeting supported by councillors and council staff.



State Cross Country – Congratulations to Fletcher Hogden who represented Western Region at the NSW CHS Cross Country Championships held at the Sydney International Equestrian Centre in Horsley Park last Tuesday. Fletcher finished 44th out of an extremely competitive field of 97, in a time of 24 minutes for 6 kilometres.

Snow Trip — Year 11 students are running a raffle as a fundraiser for the annual snow trip, which will take place in Week 4. To support their efforts, please consider purchasing a ticket in the raffle, with the chance to win a Baby Weber Q bbq, a load of firewood or outdoor hanging décor. Further details can be found in this newsletter, or by scanning the QR code below.

Have a great week!

Mrs Cathy Gallagher Relieving Principal







### Dates for your Diary

#### TERM 3 WEEK 2

#### Monday, 28th July-Tuesday, 29th July

Life Education Van visit

#### Wednesday, 30th July

- 100 Days Brighter—K-6 to wear bright clothes to school
- Newcastle Permanent Maths comp
- HY Angus Bull Sale

#### Friday, 1st August

- Secondary Western Region Athletics—Dubbo
- Years 7-10 reports to be distributed

#### TERM 3 WEEK 3—Education Week: Ignite Your Potential

#### Tuesday, 5th August

- DCS Open Day—info session (10am) and morning tea (10.40am)
- Education Week Assembly (11am), open classrooms (12noon) and Lunch on the Lawn (12.40pm)

#### Thursday, 7th August

- Moolarben School Spirit interviews
- SRC Jeans for Genes Day

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#### TERM 3 WEEK 4

#### Monday, 11th-Friday, 15th August

- Year 11 Snow Trip
- National Science Week

#### Tuesday, 12th August

NSW School Merino Wether Challenge—Dubbo

#### TERM 3 WEEK 5

#### Monday, 18th August

• Whole School Merit Assembly—11am

#### Thursday, 21st August

- Mendooran Young Judges Day—Years 7-10
- P&C Meeting—6.30pm, Sports Club. All welcome!

#### TERM 3 WEEK 6

#### Tuesday, 26th August

Orana Youth Forum Careers Expo—Dubbo

## Dates for your Diary

#### TERM 3 WEEK 6 continued

#### Thursday, 28th August

• "Flanno for a farmer" mufti day fundraiser



#### Friday, 29th August

PSSA District Athletics Carnival—Dubbo

#### TERM 3 WEEK 7

#### Monday, 1st September

Central Schools Finals—Bowls

#### Tuesday, 2nd September

• Central Schools Finals—16s Touch Football

#### Wednesday, 3rd September

Central Schools Finals—Open Touch Football

#### Thursday, 4th September

- Central Schools Finals—14s and 16s League
- Central Schools Finals—16s Netball

#### Friday, 5th September

• Central Schools Finals—Open Netball

#### TERM 3 WEEK 8

#### Tuesday, 9th September

• DCS Public Speaking Finals

#### Wednesday, 10th—Friday, 12th September

• NSWCHS Athletics—Sydney Athletics Centre

#### Thursday, 11th September

• Green Day—Year 5/6

#### Friday, 12th September

Donna Lane Squash Shield—Parkes

#### **TERM 3 WEEK 9**

#### Wednesday, 17th September

• Vaccination program catch-up—from 11am

#### Thursday, 18th September

• P&C Meeting—6.30pm, Sports Club. All welcome!

#### Friday, 19th September

Western Region PSSA Athletics Carnival—Dubbo



# What's happening in the Year 2 classroom?!



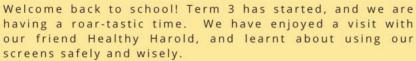












As part of practicing our phoneme for the week, we are learning words that have the 'sh' sound made by the digraph 'ti', such as **station**, **motion** and **nation**. We have written our words out on paper, on playdough and bounced out the sounds with tennis balls.

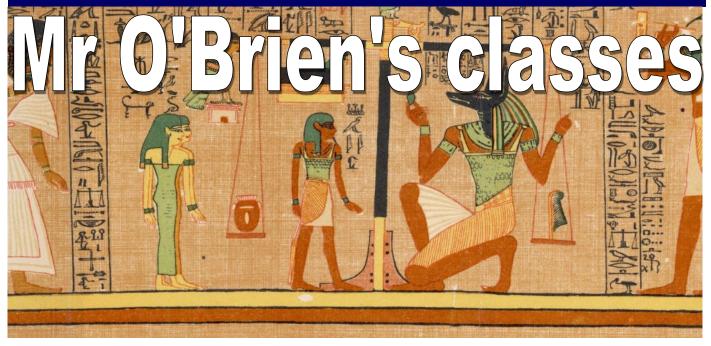


In History this term, we are studying the History of Toys - a big thank you to those who have already brought in their special toys, old and new. Teena shared some metal wind-up toys that belonged to her dad: they are nearly 100 years old.

Next week is Education Week, and we hope you can visit our classroom, join a special assembly and stay for lunch with us.

MRS LOUWEN





This is most likely my last ever report in the DCS newsletter as I will finish teaching on Tuesday, 23rd September. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all staff, students and community members that have been part of my 34 years at Dunedoo.

Year 7 History have started the Ancient Egypt unit and will receive their assessment task soon.

Year 8 History have commenced Medieval Europe and will also receive their assessment task shortly.

**Year 9 Geography** are looking at Urbanisation and Cities around the world.

Year 10 Geography have been looking at Human Wellbeing.

**Year 11 Business Studies** have commenced their last topic: Business Management. They will be looking at management skills, styles and strategies.





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#### Food Technology

#### Stage 5

Students in Years 9 and 10 are exploring Food Product Development, learning about the different types of food product development and the reasons companies create and release new food items to meet changing consumer needs and trends.

#### Year 11

Students are studying Food Quality this term, exploring different types of food presentation and styling, as well as the sensory characteristics that make food appealing and enjoyable.

#### Year 12

In class students have begun their final HSC unit, Contemporary
Nutrition Issues. They are investigating conditions related to under- and over-nutrition, such as anaemia, obesity, anorexia nervosa and diabetes, building vital knowledge for their upcoming examinations.



#### Year 11 CAFS

Year 11 CAFS students are currently studying the Individuals and Groups core, investigating different groups within the community and the various types of power bases that influence group interactions and decision-making.



#### **English**

#### Stage 4

Students in Years 7 and 8 have begun their Powerful Voices unit, exploring public speaking and the art of persuasion. They are developing confidence in using persuasive language and techniques as they prepare for a public speaking competition later this term.

#### Year 11 English Standard

Students have started their
Contemporary Possibilities unit,
examining the power of podcasting
through a multimodal study of the truecrime series Serial. This unit encourages
students to analyse how ideas are shaped
and shared in modern media.

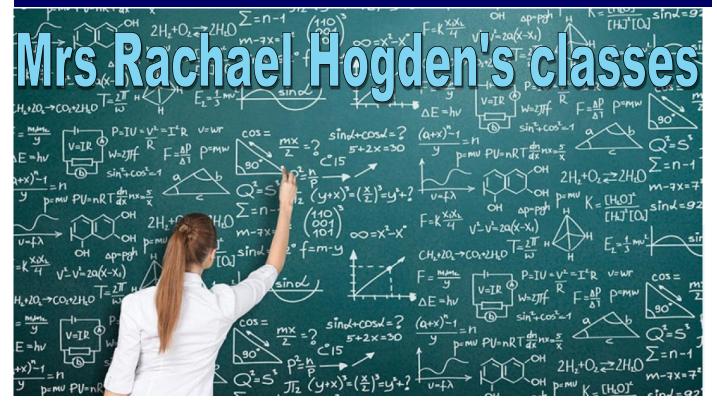
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### Food Technology Lessons







#### Year 11 Mathematics

Year 11 students are finalising their unit on **Data Analysis**. They have an assignment where they will need to apply the skills they have covered to predict, collect, represent and analyse statistics from two Rugby League teams to see if there is any relationship between the data and the teams' overall performances. Their assessment task, due before the Week 4 excursion, provides a practical application of their statistical skills.

#### Year 9 Mathematics

Year 9 have just completed a unit on **Financial Mathematics**, exploring various ways of earning money and how simple interest is calculated. Their homework sheet, due next Monday, is to assist with consolidating their understanding and identifying any areas that may need further clarification. This week, they begin a new topic on **Rates and Ratios**, where they will use proportional reasoning to solve real-world problems and strengthen their understanding of comparisons and scaling.

#### Year 7 Mathematics

The focus for Year 7 Mathematics is connecting fractions and percentages. Students will practise using mental strategies to calculate percentages and develop fluency in converting between forms. This will help them apply mathematical thinking in everyday financial and numerical contexts.





DCS is very excited to have received a steer from HY Angus with the intention of showing it at the Upper Hunter Beef Bonanza in October this year. This Wednesday, Ag students from Year 9-11 have the opportunity to attend HY's upcoming Open Day as part of Beef Week. We thank Damien and Alison for supporting our school Agricultural Team and we look forward to working with the steer over the coming months.





Year 10 students are to be congratulated on the excellent employer feedback they received after completing their week of Work Experience towards the end of last term. We would like to thank the various host employers for the invaluable opportunity given to our students that has assisted them in having informed options about their future career paths.



The Orana Youth Forum will be held on Tuesday, 26th August at the Dubbo Regional Theatre and Convention Centre. The event is run from 9am—3pm, and registration for single events is also possible.

DCS will not be arranging an excursion to this event this year, however if you would like your child to attend, please contact Mrs Mayes. She may be able to facilitate transportation conversations between interested families.

See <u>website</u> for more information, including a list of speakers and exhibitors.



## Free dental care

### for all students

NSW Child

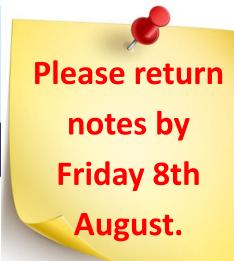
Mobile Dental Van Program

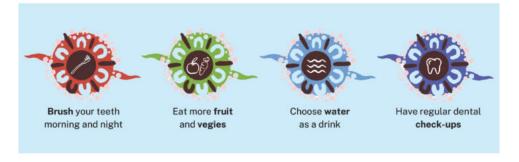
#### **Dunedoo Central School**

22 September 2025 - 6 November 2025

Information and Consent Packs will be sent home with all children. For more information, contact:

1800 679 336







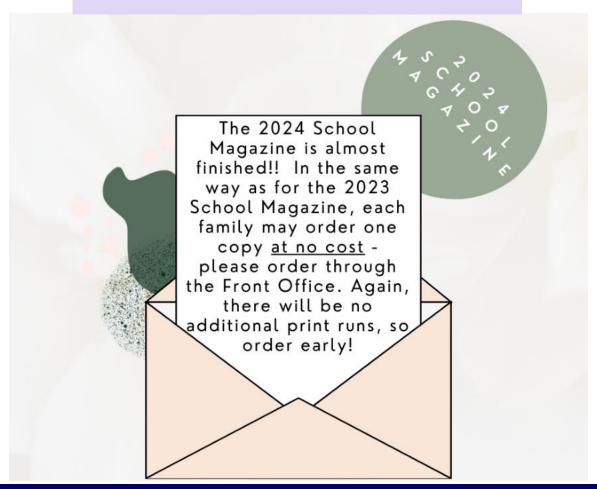
#### Oral Health Service Western NSW Local Health District

- Information packs will be sent home with all students this week.
- Please complete BOTH the blue treatment consent form AND the white Child Dental Benefits
   Schedule Patient Consent form, even if your family is not eligible for the Dental Benefits
   Scheme.
- This service is provided FREE to all students, regardless of whether they are eligible for the Dental Benefits Scheme or not.
- The Dental Van will be in Dunedoo for the final week of Term 3, and for the first 4 weeks of Term 4, depending on requirements.

Please take advantage of this generous service!

## Front Office messages

- School photos should arrive this week and will be sent home with students.
   Keep an eye out!
- K-6 reports were distributed to students on Friday last week.
- 7-10 reports are scheduled to be given to students on Friday this week.





Hello and welcome to Week 2!

Congratulations once again to the Term 2 winners of the Wonderful Manners Award: Summer Carpenter and Ashton James. This will be a regular award presented each term to two studens who continually show gratitude in and around the canteen.

There are plenty of uniforms in stock if you need any wardrobe additions.

Education Week is from Monday, 4<sup>th</sup> August to Friday, 8<sup>th</sup> August, and for our Lunch on the Lawn on Tuesday, 5<sup>th</sup> August, I have specials for the day listed below.

### Sherri

- Chicken burger, fruit juice popper & frozen cordial cup
- \$8
- Pizza single, half milkshake & frozen cordial cup
- \$6
- Ham, cheese & tomato sandwich & bottle of water
- \$5
- Sweet chilli chicken tender wrap, packet of chips & juice bomb





## YEAR 11 SNOW TRIP RAFFLE

THIS RAFFLE WILL HELP CONTRIBUTE TO THE EXPENSES OF THE YEAR 11 SNOW EXCURSION

PRIZES INCLUDE: BABY WEBER Q, 2 LOADS OF FIRE WOOD,
OUTDOOR HANGING DECOR





RAFFLE DRAWN 9TH AUGUST









Ethan Russell Amber Franklin Isaac Baker Ashton James Annika Elmore 29th July Year 9
29th July Year 3/4
2nd August Staff
2nd August Year 5/6
5th August Staff

Wishing you all the best for a fabulous birthday!



A reminder that all absences, including partial absences, need to be explained either via email or phonecall to the Front Office. Even if your child was late, the Department of Education requires you to formally notify the school.





Dunedoo Central School would like to sincerely thank Squadron Energy & Spicers Creek Wind Farm for sponsoring

> Art for Youth 2025

which was thoroughly enjoyed by the youth of the Dunedoo community.



## Community Noticeboard











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#### **Trainee Pool Superintendent**

\$1,075 - \$1,227 per 38 hour week + superannuation Location - Coonabarabran or Coolah

Trainee Pool Superintendent. In this hands-on role, you'll be trained in the day-to-day operations of Council's public swimming pools, gaining experience in water quality monitoring, plant and equipment maintenance, safety compliance, lifeguarding, and customer service. As part of this 2 year traineeship, you'll also work towards completing a nationally recognised Certificate IV in Sport, Aquatics and Recreation, supported by practical experience and mentoring on the job.

You'll be part of a close-knit team responsible for keeping our community's aquatic facilities clean, safe, and welcoming. Under supervision, you'll assist with pool opening and closing, ensure compliance with health regulations through regular water testing, and learn to operate chemical dosing and filtration systems. During the swimming season, you'll undertake lifeguard duties and help deliver aquatic programs and community events, contributing to a safe and inclusive environment for patrons of all ages. From maintaining high standards of cleanliness to providing high quality customer service and lifeguard duties, every day will offer variety, responsibility, and room to grow.

This opportunity is ideal for someone with strong communication skills, a team-focused This opportunity is ideal for someone with strong communication issults, a team-tocused attitude, and the physical fiftness to take on an active, outdoor role. You'll need to have completed Year 12 (or Year 10 with two years of workforce experience), hold a valid Working with Children Check, and be willing to obtain First Aid, CPR, and lifeguard certifications if you onthat shready have them. A strong interest in aquatic facility operations, a commitment to safety, and the flexibility to work weekends and school holidays will help you thrive in this

Essential criteria apply to this position.

For a copy of the position description, or to apply, please visit Council's website at

Applications are to be submitted online and close 11pm Sunday 20 July 2025.

For enquiries, please contact Human Resources on 02 6849 2000.

Warrumbungle Shire Council is proud to be an equal apportunity and child safe employer and our vision is Excellence in Local Government. We are committed to our staff and pride ourselves on the services we provide to our communities. Please note that criminal history checks as well as alcohol and drug testing

www.warrumbungle.nsw.gov.au



## **Victims Services** Support Scheme Info Sessions

#### THIS SESSION WILL COVER:

- Eligibility
- · Support options available
- · Application process and documents required
- · How to support your clients with the application

#### SESSION DETAILS:

Wednesday 23rd July (10am-11am) OR

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> September (10am-11am) OR

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> November (10am-11am) Sessions held via Teams

To register your interest please contact the WNSWLHD Adult Survivor Program: wnswlhd-adultsurvivorprogram@health.nsw.gov.au or ph: 0499 835 057





If university's not for you, come and work with us! If you're a 2024 or 2025 year 12 graduate, start your career with the 2026 ATO School Leaver Program.

- Make a difference help combat crime and fraud, create and deliver programs to support the community, and protect the data of millions of Australians.
- Grow your career with so many different careers at the ATO, the possibilities are endless.
- Build your skills exciting roles in frontline services, administration and IT, while solving real-world problems.

#### Why choose us

The 12-month program provides:

- a competitive salary, earn \$56,681 plus 15.4% super
- a permanent full-time position
- · a Certificate III in IT or business
- · hands-on work experience with 2 rotations across different teams
- · professional development and networking opportunities
- a promotion and a pay rise to \$66,274 when you complete the program

Plus, you'll enjoy balanced working hours, flexible work arrangements, generous leave, and support for your physical and mental wellbeing.

We have a variety of jobs, including:

- · Frontline services Help Australians with tax and super by handling enquiries, providing guidance, and maintaining records.
- Administration Support business operations by managing records, coordinating with stakeholders, preparing documents, and data reporting.
- IT Offer technical support, resolve enquiries, and contribute to digital projects.

You'll solve problems, work with a supportive team and learn new skills, setting you up for a successful career

#### Hear from our school leavers

#### Make an impact

The ATO School Leaver Program was the best decision I made after high school. I gained real skills, job security, and lifelong friends - all without going to uni!" Bea

#### Hands-on experience that matters

The program gave me hands-on experience. great mentors, and the confidence to grow. If you're finishing school and unsure what's next, this program is worth considering -I couldn't recommend it more!' Mohammad

#### Apply today

With positions available across the country, apply today, and launch your career!

Applications open 6-27 August 2025.













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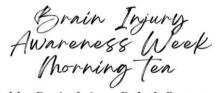




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Dubbo Brain Injury Rehab Program

When- Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> August
Where- Walanmarra (formerly Lourdes
Hospital
Time- 10:30am
RSVP- 6<sup>th</sup> August via your case
manager
Laura- 68096152/ Jodie- 68096155/
Tash- 68096153





## Community Noticeboard

### Women's Winter Huddle

The focus for the afternoon will be:

- Learning to understand ourselves and others
- Character strengths and values and how to apply them in our lives
- Using Positive Psychology to find joy, live a fulfilled life and..... introducing The Podcast Lounge (a way to connect with others without having to read a whole book)

This event will be held at Feathers in Coonabarabran on Saturday 2nd August from 12-4pm and the cost is \$100 (includes all the deliciousness from Jess at Feathers during the afternoon). We have strict numbers for this event, so please book your ticket early to avoid disappointment. You can book your ticket here: https://www.daringleadership.com.au/workshops-events



Join our three-part online webinar for parents of teens

Adolescence can be a difficult time for both teens and their families. Anxiety is rising and many parents are unsure how best to support their teenager when emotions run high or everyday tasks feel overwhelming.

The Resilience in Our Teens parent webinar series offers practical, research-backed strategies to help your teen face life's challenges with more confidence.

Developed by psychologist Michael Hawton and presented by psychologist Ruby Otero, this program is designed to give parents tools they can use right away.

Over three online sessions, you will learn how to:

- Understand anxiety and its impact on teenage behaviour
- $\bullet$  Reduce unhelpful 'accommodations' that may be feeding the problem
- Support your teen to face difficult emotions rather than avoid them
- Strengthen your relationship through calm, consistent responses.

#### Webinar dates:

Wednesday 10 September Wednesday 17 September Wednesday 24 September 6.30pm to 8.45pm AEST Delivered live via Zoom **Cost:** \$110pp inc. GST

This course includes an anxiety screening test pre-course commencement. You will be required to fill out two short surveys before commencing the course. You will be posted a parent workbook for use during the webinar and a FREE copy of Michael Hawton's book Engaging Adolescents.

Register now to reserve your spot and learn practical ways to support your teen's wellbeing.

## Community Noticeboard

#### TAFE Statement of Attainment in Provide Responsible Service of Alcohol (SITSS00071)

Get qualified to serve alcohol in licensed venues in NSW and gain work in the hospitality industry. If your RSA Photo Competency Card is less than 5 years old, contact Liquor and Gaming NSW to complete your refresher course.

Location: TAFE NSW Dunedoo

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& Cost: \$200

Date: 7 August 2025

https://bit.ly/rsa7aug

Date: 12 August 2025

https://bit.ly/rsa12aug

Date: 15 August 2025

https://bit.ly/rsa15aug

RTO: 90003



#### TAFE Statement of Attainment in Provide Responsible Gambling Services (900-81225)

Fast-track your hospitality career with this course and gain your RCG. Learn how to promote safety in venues where there are gaming machines, to recognise gaming problems and addiction, and to follow organisational procedures.

Location: TAFE NSW Dunedoo

Delivery: Virtual Classroom on or off campus

🂩 Cost: \$160

Date: 8 August 2025

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Date: 11 August 2025

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Date: 13 August 2025

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#### TAFE Statement of Attainment in Provide Responsible Gambling Services (800-001291)

This course is for Responsible Gambling Officers (RGO), aspiring RGOs or senior staff within hotels and clubs that operate gaming machines. Learn how to identify and manage gambling behaviour and understand how to reduce gambling harm

Location: TAFE NSW Dunedoo

Delivery: Virtual Classroom on or off campus

& Cost: \$340

m Date: 18 August 2025

Further information or to enrol visit: <a href="https://www.tafensw.edu.au/course-areas/food-and-hospitality/courses/tafe-statement-in-advanced-responsible-conduct-of-gambling--800-001291">https://www.tafensw.edu.au/course-areas/food-and-hospitality/courses/tafe-statement-in-advanced-responsible-conduct-of-gambling--800-001291</a>

RTO: 90003



#### TAFE Statement of Attainment in Food Safety Supervision Skill Set (SITSS00069)

Get your NSW Food Safety Supervisor Certificate to be nominated as the certified food safety supervisor in your workplace or food business.

Location: TAFE NSW Dunedoo

Delivery: Virtual Classroom on or off campus

**6** Cost: \$310

Date: 11 August & 25 August

9.30am - 11.30am

For further information or to enrol visit: <a href="https://www.tafensw.edu.au/course-areas/food-and-hospitality/courses/food-safety-supervision-skill-set--SITSS00069-V01/offerings/SITSS00069-V01-25BAT-015">https://www.tafensw.edu.au/course-areas/food-and-hospitality/courses/food-safety-supervision-skill-set--SITSS00069-V01/offerings/SITSS00069-V01-25BAT-015</a>

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#### TAFE Statement of Attainment in Food Handling Skill Set (SITSS00068)

Over 360,000 hospitality businesses around Australia keep their customers safe by serving food that's free from contamination. Learn how to prepare, handle, store and serve food in commercial kitchens that meet high food hygiene standards.

Location: TAFE NSW Dunedoo

Partial Classroom on campus

🐞 Cost: \$200

Tate: 29 August & 12 September

9.30am - 11.30am

For further information or to enrol visit:https://www.tafensw.edu.au/course-areas/food-and-hospitality/courses/food-handling-skill-set-SITSS00068-V01/offerings/SITSS00068-V01-25ARM-200

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