



Public Education Week 2025

4-8 August
Ignite your potential

We were so proud to showcase our amazing school last week as part of Public Education Week, when all of us came together to celebrate the endless and far-reaching achievements of our students and staff.

Congratulations to the Education Week nominees and award winners who are listed further in this newsletter; your incredible contributions to what makes our school so wonderful and unique does not go unnoticed.





Welcome to Term 3!

Education Week: Last week we celebrated Public Education Week with an Open Day, assembly, open classrooms and Lunch on the Lawn. Thank you to the many parents and community members who came along to help celebrate this event. Congratulations to the recipients of the class citizenship awards, and to those who received our student, staff and community awards. Please see the photos and list of winners later in the newsletter.

Photographs: Advanced Life photography will be at school next Tuesday 19th August to take additional promotional photographs of students in specialist classrooms and areas for future use at DCS. Please contact the school if you do not want your child to be photographed for these promotional photographs.

Moolarben School Spirit Awards: Last Thursday Moolarben representatives interviewed Oscar Christensen and Fletcher Hogden as part of the regional final for the Moolarben School Spirit Awards. The regional winners will be announced at a function held by Moolarben for these students and their families later this term.

Jeans for Genes Day: Thank you to everyone who supported the SRC in raising money for Jeans for Genes Day last Thursday. Nearly \$200 was raised and this amount was matched by Lowes, who have partnered with the Children's Medical Research Institute to support this fundraiser.

Merino Wether Challenge: Seven representatives from DCS are currently attending the Merino Wether Challenge in Dubbo. We are pleased to announce that today, the first day, our team was awarded 2nd place in the Zone 4 Best Presented in Wool (restocker value). A big congratulations to the Ag team and Mrs Mayes.

Premier's Spelling Bee Regional Final: We wish Sam Russell and Angus Roberts all the best as they participate in the Premier's Spelling Bee Regional Final tomorrow. Both boys will be participating in this event via zoom.

ICAS Assessments: The first ICAS (International Competitions and Assessment for Schools) assessment, English, is being held today with another 3 being held over the next few weeks. Students elect to take part in these online assessments and this year we have a number of primary students participating.

CLC Visual Arts Showcase: Last week, the winners from our Art 4 Youth competition travelled with their artworks to the CLC Visual Arts Showcase in Mudgee. Over the course of the exhibition, those visiting were invited to vote in the People's Choice Awards, and out of more than 750 votes we are very pleased to announce that Chloe Brougham and Fred Parkins were voted as runner up for their category. Congratulations to these artists, and thank you to Mrs Watt and Maree O'Brien for organising this excursion.

Trial HSC Exams: Our HSC students have commenced their Trial HSC exams this week. Tesharna and Lachlan have completed their TAFE examinations, with the rest of Year 12 commencing exams this Thursday and continuing until Friday next week. We wish our students all the best for these exams in practice for their HSC which commences in October.





Year 11 Snow Trip: Our year 11 students have had their first day skiing on the annual snow trip, accompanied by Miss Brianna Smith and Mrs Donna Lane. The weather looks perfect and we hope they all have a great week. Thank you to all who supported our Year 11 students in their fundraising efforts over the past few months.

Yr 12 Major Projects: Year 12 Industrial Technology and Textiles & Design students are busily finalising their major projects and portfolios which are due for submission this Thursday, 14th August and next Monday, 18th August respectively. Photographs of the projects will be in the next newsletter.

Voluntary Contributions: Invoices for voluntary contributions will be sent home over the next week. As the name suggests these contributions are voluntary, however they do assist with resourcing, for example stationery and art supplies, and materials for practical classes. These contributions remain the same as for 2024.



Secondary Parent/Teacher Interviews: Parents of Year 7 – 11 students are reminded that Parent-Teacher interviews are being held this afternoon from 3:20pm. It is not too late to contact the school to make an appointment. If you cannot attend in person we can chat over the phone. If this afternoon is not suitable, please contact the school to arrange an alternative time.

Central Schools Bowls: Kye Harby, Brayden Stanford and Annalise Stanford represented Dunedoo Central School in the Pool D Central Schools Bowls Day held in Dunedoo last Thursday. With teams travelling from Coolah, Mendooran and Portland, Dunedoo, finished a close third. Thank you to Mr O'Brien for organising a very successful day.

Have a great week!

Mrs Cathy Gallagher
Relieving Principal

**DUNEDOO
CENTRAL SCHOOL**
ATTENDANCE SPOTLIGHT K - 6
WEEK 3 TERM 3 2025

UPDATE

Let's work together to achieve our attendance goal for this week.
If your child is absent, please let the school know as soon as possible.

Year	K/1	2	3/4	5/6
Week 3 %	97%	87%	96%	90%

Contact Us
02 6375 1489
 Visit Our Website
<https://dunedoo-c.schools.nsw.gov.au/>

2025 School Fees

Kinder to Yr. 6	\$40.00
Year's 7 to 10	\$70.00
Year's 11 & 12	\$90.00
Year 7/8 TAS	\$30.00
Year 9/10 Textiles & Design	\$35.00
Year 11 Textiles & Design	\$35.00
Year 9/10 Industrial Tech.	\$60.00
Year 11 Industrial Tech.	\$70.00
Year 12 Industrial Tech.	\$50.00
Food Technology (paid weekly)	\$5.00

Invoices will distributed in the coming weeks



School Award Winners

**Public
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Presented to: Fletcher Hogden

Category: Student

Always polite and in school uniform
Multi-sport representative at school state level
Great SRC representative and school leader
Leo/Community volunteer, Junior League referee
Moolarben school spirit representative
Dedication to academic studies

Presented to: Cathy Gallagher

Category: Staff

Stepped into Principal role with enthusiasm
Always advocating for the school, staff and students
Volunteers countless hours to ensure the school runs smoothly
Approachable and professional

Presented to: Warren Hogden
Category: Community Individual

Commitment to DCS volunteering as a bus driver
Assistance in refereeing games for many years
Always happy to help out

Presented to: Trish Booth
Category: Community Individual

Amazing support and assistance of students entering the workforce
Hosting countless Work Experience students and school to work initiatives
Genuine interest and care towards our DCS community



Citizenship Award Winners

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Presented to:

Class

Elliot Watson

Kindergarten

Jed Carpenter

Year 1

Sophie Barwick

Year 2

Buster Bull

Year 3

Archie Sawyer

Year 4

Ruby Milsom

Year 5

Benji Chapman

Year 6

Ava Guan

Year 7

William Back

Year 8

Lawson Harby

Year 9

Oscar Christensen

Year 10

Chloe Brougham

Year 11

Chelsea Green

Year 12





School Award Nominees

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Category: Student

Chelsea Green
Chelsea Gallagher
Hugh Hogden

Category: Staff

Tammy Gallagher
Maree O'Brien
Vince O'Brien
Karen Solberg
Jacob Besgrove
Ceara Court
Linden Ewin
Teena Besgrove
Lindy Piper
Karen Watt

Category: Community Individual

Tracey Mathews
Kim Martin
Linda Ewin
Justine Parkins
Warwick Leeson
Tanya Kline
Brenden Potbury



Dates for your Diary

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

Wednesday, 13th August

- NSW School Merino Wether Challenge—Dubbo
- Spelling Bee Regional Finals

Thursday, 14th August

- HSC Trials—PDHPE & CAFS

Friday, 15th August

- HSC Trials—English Advanced & Numeracy

TERM 3 WEEK 5

Monday, 18th August

- Whole School Merit Assembly—11am
- HSC Trials—English Paper 2

Tuesday, 19th August

- Advanced Life—school promotional photo shoot
- HSC Trials—Ancient History & Maths

Wednesday, 20th August

- Year 10 into Year 11 Transition Evening—5.30pm in library

Thursday, 21st August

- Mendooran Young Judges Day—Years 7-10
- DCS Book Week celebrations—from 12.25pm
- HSC Trials—Aboriginal Studies & Food Tech & Industrial Tech
- P&C Meeting—6.30pm, Sports Club. All welcome!

Friday, 22nd August

- HSC Trials—Textiles
- Book Week Celebrations with St. Michael's—Infants



Dates for your Diary

TERM 3 WEEK 6

Monday, 25th August

- TAFE YES Program—Year 9 and 10 students

Tuesday, 26th August

- Orana Youth Forum Careers Expo—Dubbo

Wednesday, 27th August

- Year 8 into Year 9 Transition Evening—5.30pm in library

Thursday, 28th August

- "Flanno for a farmer" mufti day fundraiser

Friday, 29th August

- PSSA District Athletics Carnival—Dubbo



TERM 3 WEEK 7

Tuesday, 2nd September

- Central Schools Finals—16s Touch Football

Wednesday, 3rd September

- Central Schools Finals—Open Touch Football

Friday, 5th September

- Central Schools Finals—Open Netball

TERM 3 WEEK 8

Tuesday, 9th September

- DCS Public Speaking Finals
- Primary Touch Gala Day—Mudgee

Wednesday, 10th—Friday, 12th September

- NSWCHS Athletics—Sydney Athletics Centre

Thursday, 11th September

- Green Day—Year 5/6

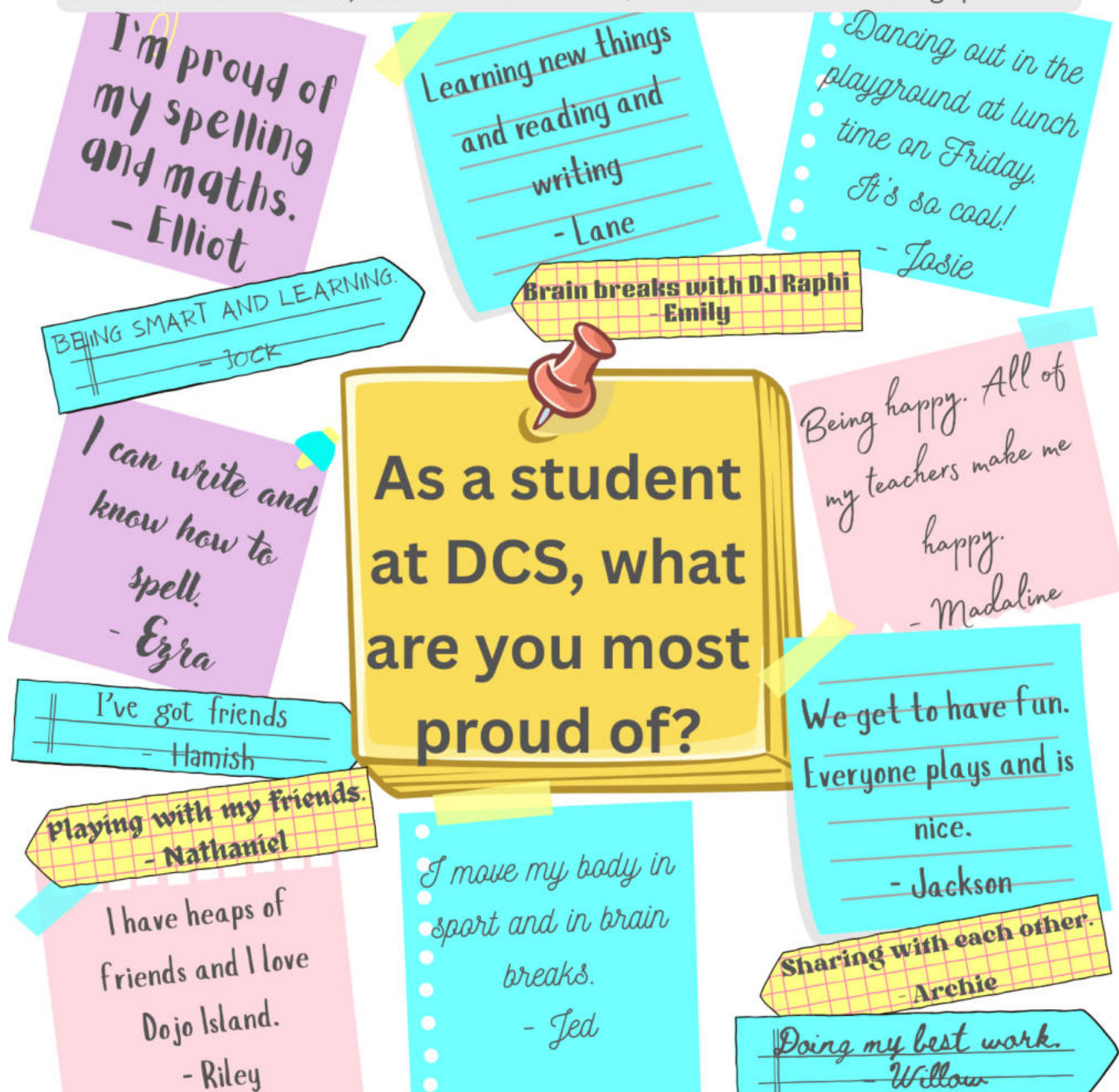
Friday, 12th September

- Donna Lane Squash Shield—Parkes



K/1 LEARNING LEGENDS

With Education Week last week showcasing all the wonderful opportunities public education has to offer, I asked each of our K/1 students the following question:



Reading through their responses to the question, I am incredibly proud of these children and their enthusiasm for school and learning. I am also incredibly proud to be a member of a school that has made these students feel known, valued and cared for, and instilled in them a passion for learning and belonging.

It is a privilege to be part of their learning journey and to witness their incredible growth. Thank you parents for supporting your child's learning and being part of a great collaborative team! Let's keep this fantastic thing going!

Georgia Shephard



Mrs Watt's classes

Year 8 Art Update—pottery

We're excited to finish our pottery unit—students' clay pieces are now in their final firing and will soon emerge glazed, vibrant and ready to admire. Meanwhile, our class has journeyed into bold, expressive art movements. We explored Neo-Expressionism through the vivid world of Basquiat, learning about how colour, symbols and text can convey powerful messages and personal identity. We also ventured into Surrealism, inspired by Magritte's *The False Mirror*. By transforming a traditional eye into a cloud-filled vision, students challenged perception and created art that invites deeper reflection.



Year 7 Music Update—film music

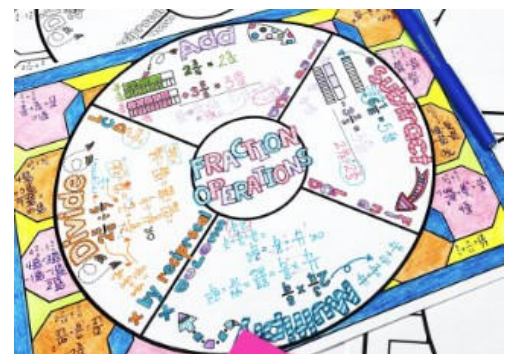
This term, students are continuing with our film music topic. We will explore the history of film music and its functions, then learn to play a keyboard piece from a famous movie soundtrack. Students are already picking up basic keyboard skills and building confidence.



Year 8 Mathematics—rates & ratios

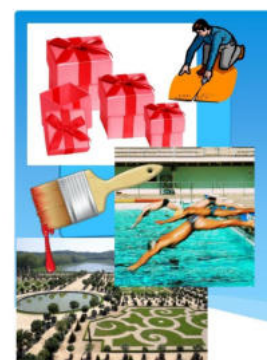
The Rates & Ratios unit is wrapping up this term, and it's sparked some excellent classroom conversations—especially around real-world applications like speed, recipes and shopping comparisons. These applications are vital for helping students see the mathematics around them.

In the coming weeks, students will receive an assessment task in lieu of a traditional exam. They'll have three lessons in class to complete it and are encouraged to either work on it at home or utilize our homework centre for extra support.



Year 9 Mathematics—real-world surface area and volume

This term, students are exploring how mathematics shapes our world—with a focus on length, area, surface area and volume through real-life, workplace-inspired problems. Instead of a traditional exam, students will complete a hands-on assessment task, applying mathematical concepts to practical scenarios like packaging designs, container specifications and efficient material use. Students will work on this during three class lessons, with the option to continue at home or in our Homework Centre. Through this task, they'll gain critical problem-solving experience and see firsthand how maths applies in everyday and workplace situations.





Budding artists

Incredible Year 8 artwork inspired by the work of Jean Michel Basquiat



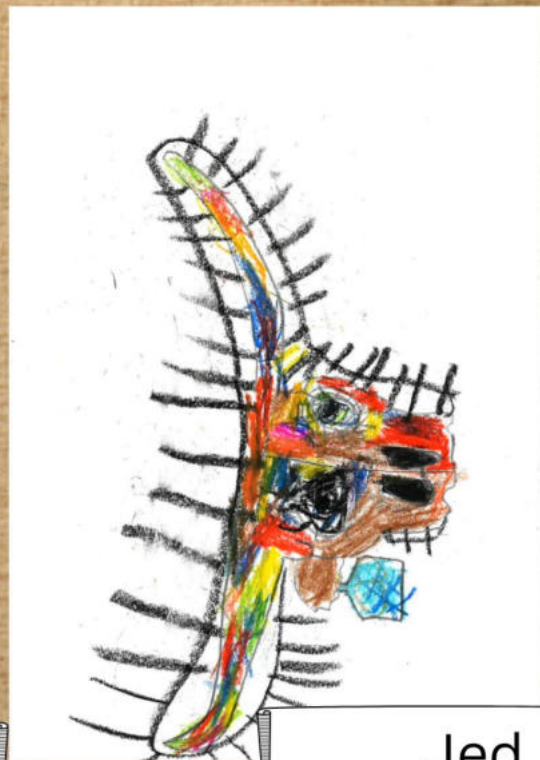
Aiden



Lily



Henry



Jed



Mrs Douglass' classes

Year 7/8 Technology Mandatory

This term a new group of students are being introduced to an old form of embroidery – Huckabuck embroidery, that they will complete and then manufacture into a cushion. Students have chosen their designs and are threading their threads under the floating threads to complete the designs.



Year 8 PDHPE

This term Year 8 students will learn about growing up and entering adolescence, including the physical, social and emotional changes and challenges of puberty. Understanding these challenges and investigating questions such as “Am I normal?” can be helpful as students navigate the landscape of change.

Year 9 PDHPE

This term students in Year 9 will explore topics in relation to sexual health and their impacts, including discussions on consent, pregnancy, STIs and the significance of fostering respectful relationships throughout these discussions. The curriculum aims to equip students with knowledge essential for making informed decisions and cultivating healthy interpersonal interactions.

Year 9/10 Textiles

This term students are working on a free choice garment – with dresses, skirts, tops, shorts and shirts being manufactured. Each student is working on their individual projects learning different techniques to produce each garment. Skills being learnt range from inserting a zipper, making buttonholes and sewing on buttons, cuffs and collars and lined yokes and sewing with stretch fabrics.



Year 11 Textiles

These students have completed their manufactured pants, seeing different styles of pants created. Each student is now working towards manufacturing a corset-style top, learning about the insertion of boning into garments to create a fitted garment. They look at the history of how women wore these corsets as undergarments and how contemporary fashion sees these more relaxed garments as outerwear, such as those used in bridal, formal and “after five” bodice tops.

Year 12 Textiles

These students are working towards completing their Major Textiles Projects ready for submission in Week 5. Each student has produced an item and has almost completed their accompanying folio explaining how they have created their masterpiece and the different experiments completed to determine the production processes that followed.



SUSTAIN CREW NEWS

with Lindy Piper

“THE DIVE IN”

Fairy light coral, PET bottle fish and jellyfish, luminous popstick worms and polystyrene coral reefs formed part of our “Waste to Art” installation we called ‘DIVE IN’ .



Congratulations to the Sustain Crew and all the students from K-11 who worked on this Education Week display. The theme focussed on the global plastic problem affecting oceans and waterways. Students used all manner of plastic waste from PET bottles to shredded chip packets. We hope all the people who visited enjoyed our effort as well as learnt more about the problem of plastic and what we can do about it.





Art News

Spotlight on Success: CLC Visual Arts Showcase at Mudgee Arts Precinct

We are thrilled to announce that our winners from the 2025 Art for Youth competition participated in the CLC Visual Arts Showcase, part of Education Week's "Ignite Your Potential" celebrations. The event, hosted at the elegant Mudgee Arts Precinct, featured outstanding entries across 2D, 3D and film categories. Students took part in the exhibition opening and toured the gallery, followed by a meaningful workshop in art appreciation led by Gulgong-based artist Courtney Mace. A heartfelt thank you to Ceara Court and Maree O'Brien, whose support made it all possible. It was a memorable and enjoyable day for all involved.

Pottery Classes

Linda Ewin is back with pottery classes this term. This week's class will be on Thursday, however it will be moving to Wednesdays in coming weeks. Students will be provided with guidance and support in a range of techniques and will have the opportunity to create kiln-fired works to take home. Please contact the school for more information.

Upcoming Art Competitions

Campbell Page National Children's Day Colouring in Competition

Closes August 13th 2025
Open to students 12 and under.

R U ok? Art Competition

Theme: What does connection mean to me?
Closes September 26th 2025
Open to Year 7 and Year 8 students.

Wild at Art - Australian Conservation Foundation

Theme: Artwork depicting a native Australian threatened species
Closes mid October 2025
Open to students aged 5 - 12.

Museum of Fire Art Competition

Theme: 'Trailblazers' - 40 years of Women in Firefighting
Closes mid October 2025
Open to all primary aged students.

White Ribbon Youth Advisory Group

Theme: respectful relationships - promoting kindness, equality and respect.
Open to all high school aged young people.
Poetry : songs : short stories : visual art : short films.
Closes: September 18th 2025
Prize: \$200 gift card

Please see Mrs Watt for more information!

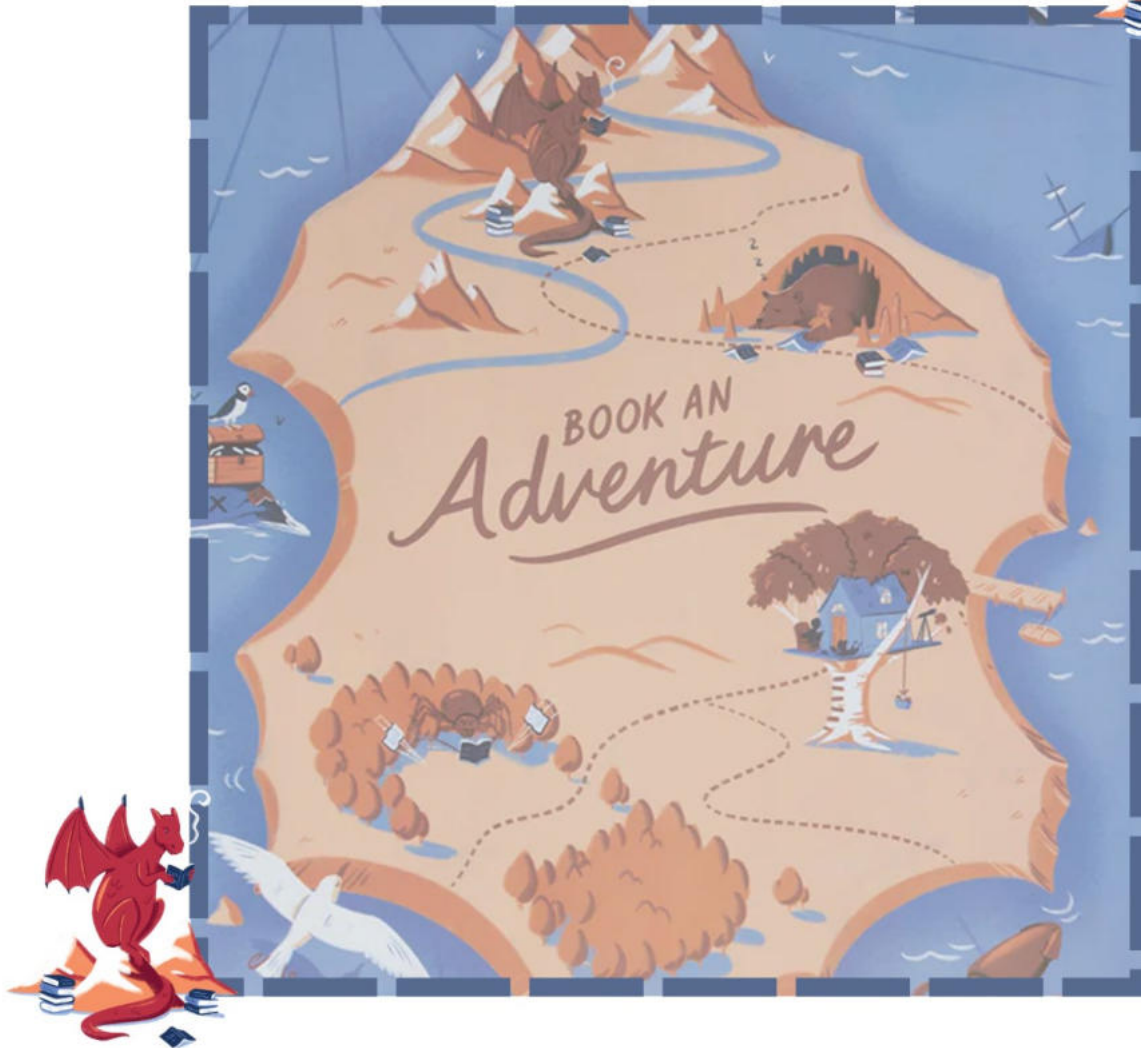




Book Week at DCS

Kinder to Year 6

(...with a visit from Preschool!)



Thursday, 21st August 2025

Parade from: 12.25pm – Under the Primary Cola

Please come dressed as your favourite book character or make
your finest poster!

Prizes for Best Dressed/Best Poster

Parents/Friends – all welcome!



WEEK 4

**LUNCH
SPECIALS**

**BARRAMUNDI BURGER \$8
AND FRUIT JUICE POPPER**

**PIZZA SINGLE \$5
AND HOT CHOCOLATE**

**CHEESE TOASTIE \$5
AND SMALL MILKSHAKE**

**SAUSAGE ROLL \$5
AND CUP OF MILK**





Free dental care for all students

NSW Child Mobile Dental Van Program

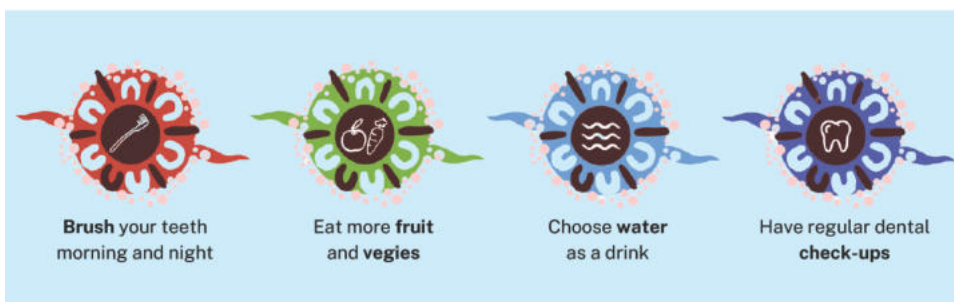
Dunedoo Central School

22 September 2025 - 6 November 2025

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

1800 679 336

**It's not too
late! Please
return forms
ASAP**



Oral Health Service Western NSW Local Health District

- Information packs have been sent home with all students. **If you have misplaced yours there are spare packs at the front office.**
- 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!



Western Region athletics prowess!

Tom and Will Back recently represented DCS at the Western Region Athletics Carnival at Bardon Park in Dubbo; Tom in the shotput and Will in the javelin. Entry into these events must meet strict qualification standards, so these students have already performed extremely well just to qualify. The competition was fierce as always, and both boys threw themselves at the challenge and gave it their best shot. A special congratulations to Tom, who won his shotput division with a finals throw of 11.14m using a 5kg shot put. Tom will now represent Western Region at the CHS State Athletics Championships in Sydney in September. What a great result!



The 2024 School Magazine is almost finished!! In the same way as for the 2023 School Magazine, each family may order one copy at no cost - please order through the Front Office. Again, there will be no additional print runs, so order early!

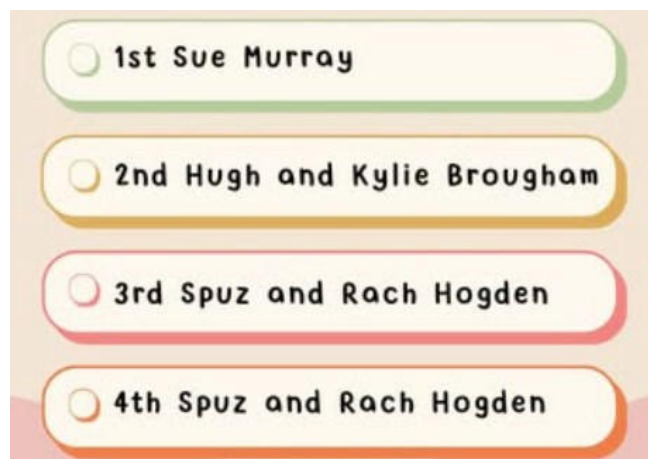
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2024



YEAR 11 SNOW TRIP RAFFLE



Thanks to the generosity of the Dunedoo community, our Year 11 Snow Trip raffle raised almost \$900. Congratulations to the following winners:



Our DCS Snow Bunnies have arrived in the Snowy Mountains for their week at the snow, and can report that their first day on the slopes (today) is the perfect Bluebird Day. We will provide a full rundown of the excursion in the next newsletter, but for now here are a couple of photos...!





**I'm wearing a flanno so a
farmer doesn't have to
wear the burden alone.**

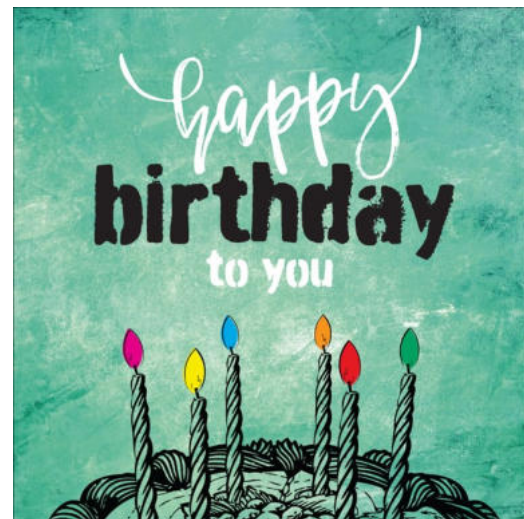
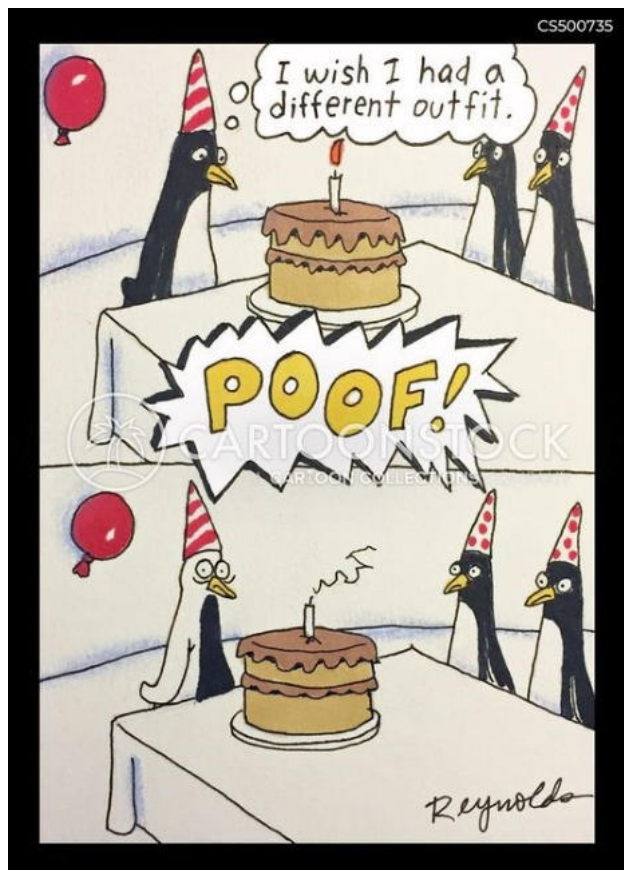
Donate now. Every dollar helps.

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**Whole School Fundraiser
Thursday, 28th August
Wear a flanno to school
& make a gold coin
donation to help
Aussie farmers.**



**If you would like to make a separate
donation, please scan the QR code.**



Shayla Sawyers	10th August
Payton Little	11th August
Jock Redding	12th August
Deegan Little	15th August
Juliette Marr-Cuthbert	18th August
Eli Fitzgerald	20th August
Asha Russell	22nd August
Lu Hughes	23rd August
Logan Pull	24th August
Madaline Kschischan	24th August

Wishing you all the best for a fabulous birthday!



The DCS P&C recently applied for a Ulan Coal Education Grant, through Glencore, to replace the school's portable shade gazebos, and we are so pleased to announce that our application was successful! The current gazebos have done a wonderful job over many years of providing shade for sporting carnivals, sports days, the Dunedoo Show and are consequently looking a little tired and faded. We can't wait to show you the new ones! Thank you to the Ulan Coal Community Investment Program for your support of our school.



Dear parents, guardians and carers

Re: Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability (NCCD)

Every year, all schools in Australia participate in the Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability (NCCD). The NCCD process requires schools to identify information already available in the school about supports provided to students with disability. These relate to legislative requirements under the *Disability Discrimination Act 1992* and the *Disability Standards for Education 2005*, in line with the *NCCD guidelines* (2019).

Information provided about students to the Australian Government for the NCCD includes:

- year of schooling
- category of disability: physical, cognitive, sensory or social/emotional
- level of adjustment provided: support provided within quality differentiated teaching practice, supplementary, substantial or extensive.

This information assists schools to:

- formally recognise the supports and adjustments provided to students with disability in schools
- consider how they can strengthen the support of students with disability in schools
- develop shared practices so that they can review their learning programs in order to improve educational outcomes for students with disability.

The NCCD provides state and federal governments with the information they need to plan more broadly for the support of students with disability.

The NCCD will have no direct impact on your child and your child will not be involved in any testing process. The school will provide data to the Australian Government in such a way that no individual student will be able to be identified – the privacy and confidentiality of all students is ensured. All information is protected by privacy laws that regulate the collection, storage and disclosure of personal information. To find out more about these matters, please refer to the [Australian Government's Privacy Policy](https://www.education.gov.au/privacy-policy) (<https://www.education.gov.au/privacy-policy>).

Further information about the NCCD can be found on the [NCCD Portal](https://www.nccd.edu.au) (<https://www.nccd.edu.au>).

If you have any questions about the NCCD, please contact the school.

Kind regards

Principal





Community Noticeboard



DOO Events 2025

September 1st-28th - Writing competition- Framed in Time 100-500 words.
Dunedoo Historical Museum Sharon Nott 0428859509

Sept 2nd Tuesday-Mindful Photography 10am-noon Anne Kable 10am-noon
0414769376

Sept 3rd Wednesday- Pottery -Adults Linda Ewin 3.15pm-5pm at DCS (every
Wednesday) 0400714418

Painting Justine Parkins K-Yr10 4.00pm-5.30pm at DCS
0429944766 (maximum 20, so phone to book your spot)

Sept 4th Thursday- Painting Justine Parkins 16 years+ 6.30pm-8.30pm Dunedoo
Sports Club 0429944766 (max. 20, so phone to book your spot)

Sept 6th Saturday- River Walk 10am-11ish, meet at the Rural Fire Brigade Shed
Nott St. Wear sensible shoes and bring a water bottle. Landcare Carmel Bundy
0498650983

Sept 11th Thursday- Heritage Walk around Dunedoo streets 4pm-5.30pm Meet
at the Museum; and will be finishing at the Bowling Club. 2km on paved
surfaces. Dunedoo Museum Sharon Nott 0428859509

Sept 13th Saturday- Woodland Ramble through the Dunedoo Woodland
Reserve 4pm-5.30pm Meet at the Woodlands (Next to the cemetery) Avonside
Rd. Landcare Carmel Bundy 0498650983

Sept 14th Sunday- Tag along bicycle ride 8.30am-10am Fairfield Road. Meet at
the Sports Club. 7kms gravel road. CWC Trail Sharon Nott 0428859509

Talbragar Garden Club at Dunedoo MPS from 10.30am Bring
a plate to share. Ali Mayes 0427682970

Sept 20th Saturday- Building and Maintaining Health and Wellbeing Talks
9.30am-3.30pm Guest Speakers- Angie Trengrove BHSc Naturopathy and
Clinical Nutrition, Tracey Mathews Fitness, Steve Barwick Body Balance, EMMIT
Therapist and Remedial Massage, Prue Duffy Bowen Therapist, Helen Gray
Emsella chair/incontinence, Annie Capare Herbalist, Sharon Martin Gentle
exercise, Belinda Anderson Holistic Care Practitioner and Yoga teacher, Cathy
Bowman P.S.H. (Private Subconscious-mind Healing) Therapist. Sports Club
DDDG Cathy Bowman 0428752329

Sept 21st Sunday-Bowls ½ Day. BBQ lunch at noon (gold coin donation); names
of bowlers by 1pm to commence play by 1.30pm Dunedoo Bowling Club Sam
Abbott 63751470

Sept 28th Sunday- 9 Holes of Golf 9.30am for a 10am start
Leos BBQ Lunch noon-1.30pm.

Face painting.

**Finale of all DOO events- drawing of various prizes and the writing
competition** E.g., Taronga Western Plains Zoo Family Pass, vouchers for
Dunedoo businesses

***Singing** will be happening with the school children during class times. Annie
Capare

***All DOO activities are free to attend.** For most events the food and
drinks are at one's expense or a gold coin donation.

***All who participate in any DOO activity go into the draw to win various prizes.**

***Please contact the nominated person if you wish to know more about that
activity or to book your spot.**

Contact Cathy Bowman for more information 0428752329



Community Noticeboard



Do you have a health care card? You could be eligible for Saver Plus.

For every dollar you save, you'll get a dollar from ANZ to spend on educational costs, up to \$500. To join, you need to meet all of these requirements:

- ✓ Be 18 years or older
- ✓ Have a current Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card
- ✓ Have a child in school, starting school next year, or be studying yourself
- ✓ Get a regular income (can be you or your partner)
- ✓ Agree to join in free online financial education workshops

saverplus
1300 610 355 saverplus.org.au




COMMUNITY SERVICES EXPO DUNEDOO

WARRUMBUNGLE COMMUNITY CARE INVITES COMMUNITY ORGANISATIONS AND SERVICE PROVIDERS TO COME ALONG AND BE A PART OF OUR ANNUAL COMMUNITY SERVICES EXPO

Stall Holders are asked to remain for the entire time.
RSVP to communitycare@warrumbungle.nsw.gov.au or PH: 6849 2200 by 27th August 2025 advise if power is required

JUBILEE HALL DUNEDOO
10:00am to 2:00pm

Wednesday 10TH September 2025

FREE EVENT

GET THE LATEST INFORMATION FROM COMMUNITY SERVICES!

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PRACTICAL SKILLS FOR WORK

JUST COMPLETED YOUR HSC AND LOOKING FOR WORK!

VERTO Practical Skills for Work is a program designed with essential skills to help you enter the workforce. These skills will help you to stand out from other applicants and ensure you hit the ground running after completing your high school education.

Course options include:

- Café Skills (non-accredited)
- CPCWHS1001 Prepare to work safely in the construction industry (White Card)
- HLTAID011 Provide First Aid
- SITHFAB021 Provide responsible service of alcohol (RSA)
- SITHGAM022 Provide responsible gambling services (RCG)
- SITXFSAA005 Use hygienic practices for food safety

Positions are limited. Please complete the date selection page, the enrolment form attached (or use the QR Code below) and submit to VERTO via email courses@verto.org.au with a copy of your photo ID and Medicare Card as soon as possible to secure your place in the course.

Places are limited for each day and positions are confirmed via SMS on a first in basis.

This training is subsidised by the NSW Government through the ACE Community Service Obligation program. No fees apply for eligible participants.

If you have completed RSA training in another state other than NSW, please contact Liquor & Gaming NSW regarding the online NSW RSA Bridging Course. You may be eligible to obtain a NSW competency card with an RSA endorsement. This information must be disclosed prior to enrolment in an RSA course.



SCAN QR CODE TO ACCESS THE ENROLMENT FORM



PRACTICAL SKILLS FOR WORK – DATE SELECTION

NAME: MOBILE NUMBER:

All training commences strictly at 9.00am with courses finishing at 5.00pm. Students must bring sufficient identification and complete any required pre-course work prior to attending training.

Please select the box for each training day/s you wish to attend:

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37 Cobbora Road

Course	WEEK 1 29 September to 4 October	WEEK 2 3 November to 8 November
Café Skills (Non-accredited)	☐ 3 October	☐ 7 November
First Aid	☐ 29 September	☐ 8 November
RSA	☐ 30 September	☐ 4 November
RCG	☐ 1 October	☐ 5 November
Safe Food Handling	☐ 2 October	☐ 6 November
White Card	☐ 4 October	☐ 3 November

First Aid - You must collect a first aid book, complete the theory assessment prior to the face-to-face practical training day and submit on the day of training.

RSA/RCG - You do not need to be 18 years or older to complete the course, however, it is the minimum legal age required to use the certification. You must bring photo identification on the day of training. Once training and assessment is completed, you must apply to the regulatory body for your license.

Safe Food Handling - Enclosed shoes and long pants must be worn. Hair should be tied back neatly and jewelry removed. The entire day of training is required.

White Card - Enclosed shoes must be worn. You must bring 100 points of original ID on the day of training. Refer to www.safework.nsw.gov.au/licences-and-registrations/licences/evidence-of-identity

Courses are subject to change

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POSITIONS VACANT

WASC551



Applications are invited for the vacant position of

Trainee Pool Superintendent

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

Are you passionate about water safety, community service, and love working outdoors?

We're offering a structured traineeship for a motivated individual to join our team as a 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 attitude, and the physical fitness 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 don't already 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 rewarding role.

Essential criteria apply to this position.

For a copy of the position description, or to apply, please visit Council's website at www.warrumbungle.nsw.gov.au.

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 opportunity 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 are conditions of employment.

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 15th September (10am-11am)
OR
Tuesday 18th 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



ATO School Leaver Program

Make
big things
happen



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.

Roles

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!
ato.gov.au/schoolleaver

Applications open 6-27 August 2025.





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Western NSW Local Health District

Community sessions: Help shape a healthier Warrumbungle Shire



Join us at a community session to hear more about how we are working together to improve the health of our communities - now and into the future.

Community sessions will be held **from 20 August to 22 August** at Baradine, Binnaway, Coolah, Coonabraban, Dunedoo and Mendooran.

Scan the QR code or contact the project team for more information or to register for a session.



Contact the Healthy Communities team on winswhd-healthycommunities@health.nsw.gov.au or 6809 8728.

SYNAPSE

AUSTRALIA'S BRAIN INJURY ORGANISATION

Synapse Reconnections for Carers, friends and family
Online

Synapse Reconnections online relaxation and dancing for Carers, Friends, Family - Carer Week

About the event

A online group for carers & family of people living with brain injury. These bimonthly groups give you a space to share your experiences, challenges, victories, tips, and tricks with other carers, we then have a chance to relax with guided techniques.

Take some time out in a supportive space with people who understand what it's like to care or live with someone impacted by brain injury.

We are using this time to also relax with guided direction from Pauline Manley

Please be mindful that this group is for carers & family. If you are living with a brain injury, touch base with our team to find a reconnection group that's best for you.

Date 19th August 2025

Time 6.00 pm to 7.30 pm

Where Online (Zoom)

View our events page for more details and register here.

[Register](#) here to receive your reminders and zoom link.

RSVP: rhoward@synapse.org.au

Information & Referrals 1800 673 074

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AUSTRALIA'S BRAIN INJURY ORGANISATION

Brain Injury Awareness Week Morning Tea

Dubbo Brain Injury Rehab Program

When- Wednesday 20th August

Where- Walanmarra (formerly Lourdes Hospital)

Time- 10:30am

RSVP- 6th August via your case manager

Laura- 68096152/ Jodie- 68096155/
Tash- 68096153





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NATIONAL
ART
SCHOOL

Enrol in a Spring Weekend Workshop today and save!

Saturday 27 — Sunday 28 September
On Campus | 9.30am — 4.30pm



This September, join the National Art School's Spring Weekend Workshops for two inspiring days of hands-on artmaking.

Explore painting, drawing, ceramics and more under the guidance of professional artist educators, in a welcoming studio environment. Whether you're trying a new skill or expanding your practice, immerse yourself in the world of artmaking.

Early discount ends Friday 29 August.

[Click here](#) to

BOOK NOW



Free webinars for Parents & Carers

What is the Teen Mental Health Matters Webinar about?

Parents and carers play a pivotal role in recognising the wellbeing of their teen, yet many struggle to understand how they can support their young person with their mental health.

Co-designed with parents and co-delivered by a clinical psychologist facilitator and youth lived experience advisor, our parent presentation is an opportunity for high-school parents and carers to learn more about adolescent mental health and how to best support and connect with their young person during tough times.

We're coming to your community



We're bringing NSW Government services to:
Dunedoo Tuesday, 2 September 2025
9AM - 12PM

Visit our Mobile Service Centre to access services like:

- Driver Knowledge Tests
- driver licence, mobility parking and photo card applications
- Working with Children Checks
- NDIS Worker Checks
- birth, death and marriage certificates
- cost of living support and more.

Call 13 77 88 or visit service.nsw.gov.au to check our latest timetable.

Severe weather may mean our timetable has to change at short notice, we strongly recommend you check on the day.

Find us at:
Multi Purpose Building
38-40 Bolaro Street



Who is this for?

Parents, Carers, and Guardians of teen-aged youth.

What will parents learn?

- Understanding mental health in adolescence, including insights from the Future Proofing Study
- What is mental health and when to be concerned
- Key strategies to support adolescents
- Having the conversation – what to say and how to create a supportive environment
- Getting help – health professionals, online and digital support for parents and adolescents
- Promoting healthy habits – including building connections, sleep, and screen use



How long is the webinar?

90 minutes, including Q&A.

Available dates

Wednesday 27th August @ 7PM (AEST)

[Register here](#)

Thursday 11th September @ 7PM (AEST)

[Register here](#)

Thursday 9th October @ 7PM (AEDT)

[Register here](#)

Monday 20th October @ 7PM (AEDT)

[Register here](#)

Thursday 30th October @ 7PM (AEDT)

[Register here](#)

Wednesday 12th November @ 7PM (AEDT)

[Register here](#)

Thursday 27th November @ 7PM (AEDT)

[Register here](#)

Wednesday 10th December @ 7PM (AEDT)

[Register here](#)



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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
- 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.



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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
- 📅 Date: 18 August 2025

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

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
- 💰 Cost: \$310
- 📅 Date: 11 August & 25 August
- 🕒 9.30am - 11.30am

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

RTO: 90003



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
- 🖥️ Delivery: Virtual Classroom on campus
- 💰 Cost: \$200
- 📅 Date: 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>

RTO: 90003

