

# Tenterfield

## High School

Respect - Responsibility - Do Your Best

Term 3 Edition 12  
September 2022



### Tenterfield High School

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### Message from our Principal

Welcome to our week 8 newsletter! Hard to believe we're almost at the end of the term! As you can see by this bumper issue the pace certainly has not slowed down, with a range of fantastic things happening in and out of the classroom.

This week was PSA Schools Recognition Week where we acknowledge the contribution and efforts of our wonderful school support staff who work tirelessly to support students and teaching staff. We are so incredibly lucky at THS to have such a fantastic team of people working above and beyond to support us all. As Mr Pitkin and Mr Clay discovered when they looked after the front office for the afternoon, it is not an easy job!

Well done to the SRC, Mrs Koch and Mrs Cooper and the whole school for getting behind the national RU OK? Day. This is such an important question to ask not just on one day, but every day. The range of yellow clothing and the yummy goods on sale at recess and lunch certainly lifted everyone's mood and raised awareness and funds for mental health. We are looking forward to hosting our breakfast next week.

By now families of Year 7 and Year 9 should have received their Naplan results. Please contact the school if you have not. Our Year 9 results were particularly pleasing – with Reading, Numeracy and Writing all above like schools. Our writing results showed a significant improvement, and our reading results showed an extremely significant improvement. I would like to acknowledge the work of the English faculty, who under the leadership of Mrs Little, implemented a reading and comprehension program for this cohort when they were in Year 7, as well as the work of our Learning and Support Teacher, Mrs Brown, who oversees the intensive literacy program, Macqlit, for those students who need additional support.

We are currently in the process of finalising our leadership team. The nomination speeches will be viewed by the whole school next week and then school captains will be chosen by the end of the week. We will then have our leadership induction and formal assembly on the following Monday. I would like to thank all the Year 11's who have put themselves forward - it is wonderful to have such a great bunch of students wanting to be leaders of the school. Please note we will have more girl leaders than boys, simply because we have so many more girls in the year.

Finally, we are preparing to formally farewell our Year 12's with our graduation assembly on the last Friday of term. We look forward to seeing families at this special event. As mentioned above our formal assembly will be on the Monday, families of award recipients will be notified by the parent portal, with major award winners notified by a phone call.

Ms Stephanie Scott,  
Principal



# THS NEWS

## SCHOOL ACHIEVEMENTS

# WELL DONE

*Bridie*

### CIVICS & CITIZENSHIP PROGRAM

Year 10 students from across NSW were invited to submit an essay based on a set discussion topic, their responses were reviewed by a panel and 30 students from across NSW were selected to attend a youth parliament day. Schools were only allowed to have one applicant, and Bridie was the successful representative for Tenterfield High School.

Bridie completed her essay in response to the question "Australia has a strong and resilient democracy".

We are thrilled to announce that Bridie's essay was one of the 30 chosen, this is a tremendous achievement! Bridie, accompanied by Mr Murphy, will be heading to NSW Parliament on Thursday 27th October 2022.

Well done Bridie!



# THS NEWS

## BRIDIE'S ESSAY ENTRY

**Yr 10 Civics and Citizenship National Pilot Program**  
Australia has a strong and resilient democracy. Discuss.  
**"One people. One destiny" Sir Henry Parkes**



Strength and resilience. These words refer to the ability to withstand force and recover quickly from disasters. As for democracy – a term invented by the ancient Greeks from two words ‘demos’ (people) and ‘kratos’ (rule) – this fundamental idea posits that the citizens of a country should be granted the right of an active role in the government of their country, a say in their future, either directly or through elected representatives. Democracy ensures that people can replace their government through peaceful, official and fair transfers of power rather than violent uprising or revolution, events common prior to the founding of our modern nation. Australia, ‘The Lucky Country’, founded in peace by the will of its people, our democratic system owes much of its reputation to our solid foundations of government, where the voice of the people is the final arbiter of the law. Our democracy grants every individual protection and promotes integral rights and freedoms that ensure our nation will always withstand and recover from ever-emerging challenges.

Having the privilege to have grown up in the town of Tenterfield, New South Wales, also known as the ‘Birthplace of our Nation’, enhanced my knowledge and developed my appreciation for the strength and resilience of our democracy. On October 24, 1889, Sir Henry Parkes, then premier of New South Wales, gave a speech in our local School of Arts, a building that still echoes with the words so integral to the foundation of our nation. In the famous speech, he proposed that Britain’s divergent colonies should unite into one nation. This history-changing moment is significant because, although politicians had been discussing the federation process for some time, this was the first time the general public was asked to vote and support the idea. Unlike many other nations, ours was founded by the people's will. This demonstrates the strength and resilience of our country, a nation founded upon powerful words rehearsed in a small town such as Tenterfield.

In the past decade, our country has faced unimaginably difficult times – an everlasting drought, catastrophic bushfires, devastating floods, unprecedented pandemics and economic disruptions. Growing up as a woman in a rural town, from a young age, tough times have shaped my identity and values. Thankfully, due to the nature of our democracy, voices such as mine from remote areas can be heard in parliament and taken into account. That our governments consistently take a compassionate approach by assisting affected cities, towns, regions, and citizens is a reflection of our democratic heritage. Again this unity of identity and nationhood reflects the resilience we hold. Minor aspects of life, such as my capability to obtain an education, the opportunities to excel in any career of my own choice, to travel, explore and confidently express my beliefs and identity, show the true strength of our solid and resilient democracy. Strength and resilience are born of democracy and the right to choose our destiny.

Bridie Makejev

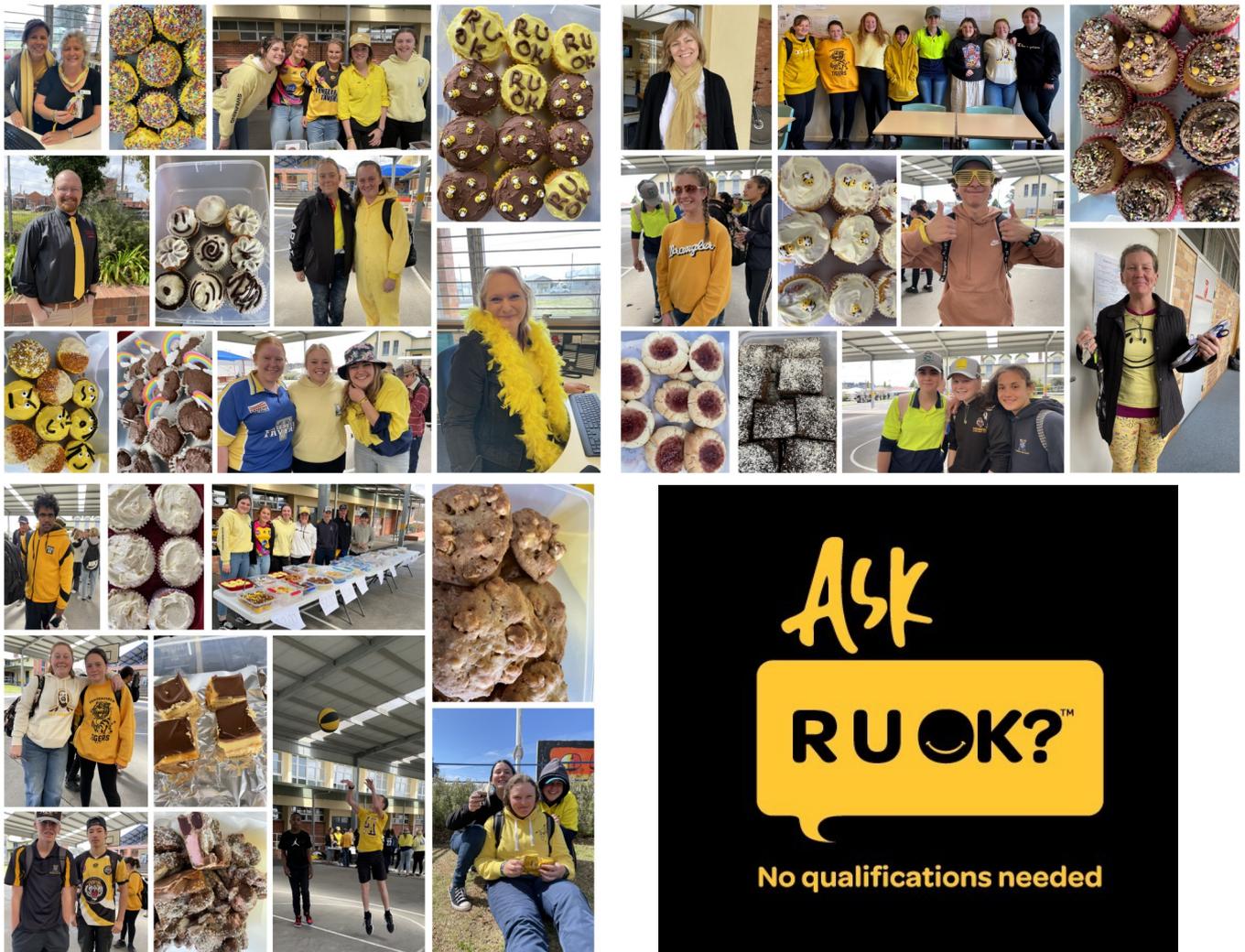
# THS NEWS

## RU OK? DAY 8TH SEPT

RU OK? Day is our national day of action when we remind Australians that every day is the day to 'ask, 'are you OK?' and start a meaningful conversation whenever they spot the signs that someone they care about might be struggling with life.

Each year THS is involved in this event. A special thank you to our SRC for providing the most delicious home baked goods at recess! All proceeds from the stall & the gold coin donation for out of uniform will be donated to RU OK? Day.

On Wednesday 14th September we are holding a RU OK? breakfast BBQ in the quad from 8.20am. Thank you to TSDC, LDAT & Food bank for providing funding & food for this event.



# THS NEWS

## YEAR 6 TRANSITION

On Wednesday 7th September, Year 6 students from St Josephs, TSHPMPS, Jennings & Drake completed their final transition day at THS. Students had the opportunity to do Woodwork with Mrs Marshman, Art with Mr Caisley & cooking with Mrs Cooper. Thank you to Mr Ryan, our 2023 Year 7 advisor for assisting & all the THS students who helped in the classrooms.

Year 6 Orientation day will be held in Term 4, Wednesday 30th November. Additional details will be provided closer to the date.

A reminder to parents, please complete the Year 7 enrolment forms & provide the supporting documentation to our fabulous office staff as soon as possible.



# THS NEWS

## YOUTH DRIVER EXPO

THS students in Year 11 & 12 attended the YDE in Tamworth on 26th August. The expo is designed to provide timely information for learner and provisional drivers on the issues of using mobile phones, speed, inattention, fatigue, drugs, drink driving, insurance costs, maintaining a safe vehicle, heavy vehicles awareness and possible outcomes of having a crash such as a brain injury and personal trauma. Students were able to view vehicles that had been involved in a crash & NSW Police discussed RBT protocols with some students completing a RBT for the 1st time. Thankyou to Rotary Tenterfield for sponsoring this & Mr Woodrow for organising!



Rotary



Club of  
Tenterfield

# THIS NEWS

## SASS RECOGNITION WEEK

This year we celebrate School Support Staff Recognition week on 5th to 9th September. It is about celebrating the important work that School Support Staff do every day, to ensure our schools run well and staff are supported to help students get the most out of their time at school.

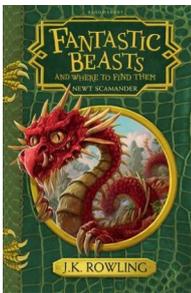
To remind everyone just how important the work they do is and how much they are valued, we invited everyone to afternoon tea on 7th September. Thank you to our Head Teachers, Mr Pitkin & Mr Clay, for manning the office!



# THIS NEWS

## IN THE CLASSROOM

Miss Davis's Year 7 English making their own "beasts" as part of their current unit Fantastic Beasts. Great work everyone.



Mr Sproule's Year 11 Metal class have been working on their assessment projects.



# THS NEWS

## IN THE CLASSROOM

Year 8 Leather work have just completed their 1st projects, leather key chains. Great work everyone!



THS Senior students learning the effects alcohol has on vision & coordination. Students were given examples of alcohol volumes & ways to help determine a standard drink. A big thank you to NSW Health for providing this invaluable training.



# THS NEWS

## NORTHERN SCHOOLS PIG COMPETITION

Students represented THS at the Inaugural Northern Schools Pig Competition in Bingara on 31st August. Thank you to Allie Hill for presenting the growth rates & husbandry practices of our pigs. Well done Olivia Ward & Jack Capper for speaking in the finals of junior judging. Jack took out the senior class! Congratulations to THS on 1st place in the carcass & 3rd place in the hoof in the baconer class (a pig reared to produce bacon).



# THS NEWS

## POSITIVE MERIT SCHEME

Congratulations to all the students who received their Silver Awards at assembly on 31st August. Keep up the great work.



# LITERACY & NUMERACY

## MATHS TRAINS BRAINS



Last time we looked at the site which relates mathematics to careers. From the site, here is Renee's story (<https://education.nsw.gov.au/parents-and-carers/everyday-maths/resources/careers/five-careers-in-mathematics-that-might-surprise-you>)

### High flyer

Renee, 23, has an engineering career working at Qantas, volunteers to help disadvantaged young people and has been nominated for a NSW / ACT Young Achiever Award – Aboriginal Education Council award.

Renee is an Aerospace Engineering graduate who is studying a full-time Graduate Diploma of Aviation at UNSW to fulfil her dream of becoming a pilot. In her current role in Qantas's Fleet Technical Division, Renee carries out performance analysis of aircraft, which relies heavily on maths.

"It's a lot of scientific problem solving and the application of numerical methods and statistics," she says. Renee, a proud Tharawal woman, joined Qantas in 2011 through an Indigenous internship platform called Career Trackers. In her work, Renee uses algorithms to predict fuel temperatures and calculate aircraft loads to ensure the aircraft is mass balanced.

She's also involved in the development of in-flight apps and has worked directly with pilots, who need to stay up-to-date with the latest technology. Soon Renee will be on the other side of the cockpit and says she's had the perfect background training. "STEM and maths are very exciting – the skills you learn can be applied to so many different industries."

First published on [CareerswithSTEM.com](http://CareerswithSTEM.com)

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# LITERACY & NUMERACY



## THE WEDNESDAY GROUP

### Ornithology Enrichment: Swooping Magpies

It's that time of year again.

September is generally the peak of the magpie swooping season. Magpies typically nest from early July to late December, and magpies have been known to swoop throughout this period.

Australian magpies are extremely territorial. Magpies like to defend their territories for about six weeks. During this time, they are securing an area to nest, or protecting eggs or newly hatched chicks. Defending may include magpies using their body language as a way to warn of potential predators. A magpie's defensive behaviour can range from a non-contact swoop with or without beak snapping, through to pecking, dive-bombing and sometimes front-on attacks from the ground. This is aimed at threats which may include animals, other birds and sometimes humans.

Swooping is most common for a magpie in a situation where they may be under attack themselves and involves the magpie seeing a suspected predator, before gliding down at them and looping back to the original perch. An attack may include the bird aggressively chasing the perceived predator continuously, often to the outskirts of their territory.

Magpies are perceived to be very angry birds, but they are quite friendly if you leave them alone. Just remember they are only doing what they know - defending themselves and their chicks. Here are some tips just in case you get caught up with a territorial magpie:

- If a magpie begins to swoop or attack, move quickly but be sure not to run, as this may further aggravate the bird.
- If you are riding a bike, make sure to wear a helmet, as magpies generally swoop from behind
- If you're walking through a magpie's territory, be sure to wear glasses and a wide brim hat and have some form of protection. A good example of this is an umbrella.
- Finally, if you find yourself being attacked by magpies in a park or other location, try and find an alternative route.

If a magpie is a continuing risk, contact National Parks and Wildlife Service Tenterfield office on 6736 4298.

Hannah Everson

# THS SPORT

## CHS ATHLETICS

A team of 6 students headed to Sydney to represent THS in the CHS Athletics, from 7th to 9th September. The 14 year boys relay team had a great run, improving on their PB time by 5 seconds. Bryce Riley competed well in the discus & Maddie Riley performed well in the long jump, 100m & 200m events. The final day's results are not known at the time of publishing the newsletter, follow our Facebook page for more updates.



### CHS Athletics Sydney

## Good Luck!

To all our students representing at the CHS Athletics in Homebush Wed 7th to Fri 9th September!

**Beau Adams**  
**Levi Muphy**  
**Declan Nicol**  
**Bryce Riley**  
**Maddie Riley**  
**Darcy Rolph**



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# NOTICES

## GOODLUCK YEAR 12

The end of Term 3 is fast approaching as we prepare to bid farewell to our Year 12 students. We would like to wish you all the very best for your HSC Exams and for the future ahead!

A Year 12 Graduation day ceremony will be held in the MPU, 23rd September at 10am. Parents, carers & grandparents are invited & encouraged to attend!



**Good Luck !**



# NOTICES



**TENTERFIELD HIGH SCHOOL**

CLASS OF  
**2022**

**YEAR 12 GRADUATION**

*Day*

**FRIDAY**

**23 SEPTEMBER 2022**

**MPU BUILDING 10AM**

**PARENTS & GRANDPARENTS ARE  
INVITED TO ATTEND**



# NOTICES

## NAIDOC 2022 CELEBRATIONS

### TENTERFIELD HIGH SCHOOL

- SMOKING CEREMONY
- DIDGERIDOO SHOW AND STORY TELLING
- ARTEFACTS, WEAPONRY, BUSH SURVIVAL
- ABORIGINAL FACE PAINTING
- SONG AND DANCE
- ABORIGINAL ART
- BOOMERANG THROWING

21ST  
SEPTEMBER

This will be our fourth NAIDOC Celebration for the year. Please come and help us with our culmination of NAIDOC activities.

**RSVP Now**

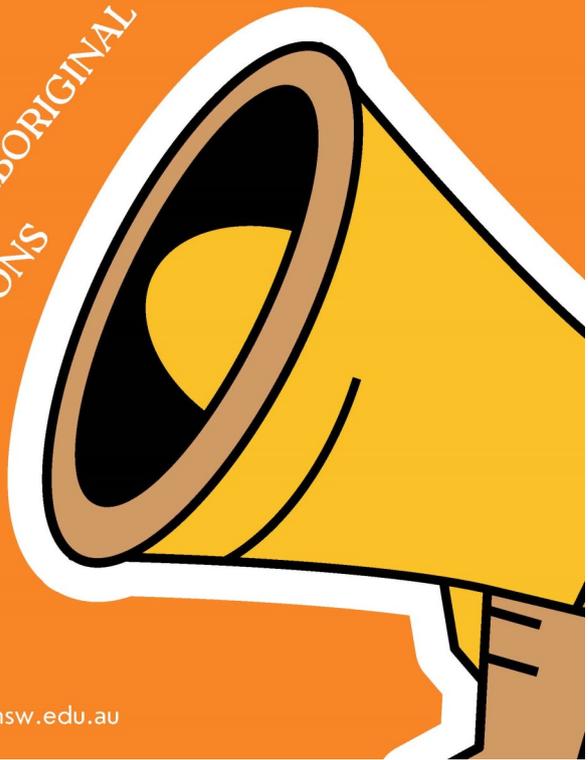
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# NOTICES

INFORMATION FOR CUSTOMERS

## Australian Government Mobile Service Centre



### Serving Regional Australia

Visit the Mobile Service Centre to find out about Australian Government payments and services for rural families, older Australians, students, job seekers, people with disability, carers, farmers and self-employed people.

Information about Department of Veterans' Affairs programs and support services for veterans and their families will also be available.

Staff can provide you with information and support. They can also help you create a myGov account. myGov is a simple and secure way to access government services online.

### TENTERFIELD

Foodworks car park, High Street

Tuesday 20 September 2022 9:30 am to 4:00 pm

Wednesday 21 September 2022 9:00 am to 3:30 pm

For more information, go to [servicesaustralia.gov.au/mobileoffice](https://servicesaustralia.gov.au/mobileoffice)



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# NOTICES

NSW Department of Education



## School holidays hospitality skills

Increase your chances to get a job as soon as you finish school or during your holidays

### | NSW JobTrainer initiative

The NSW and Commonwealth governments are offering fee-free short courses in hospitality for school students (16 years old and above) wanting to learn new skills.

Hospitality is one of the fastest-growing employment sectors in Australia. Learning hospitality skills may increase your chances of getting a job when you finish school or during your holidays.

This sector offers flexible working arrangements, which is perfect if you are still at school and looking for work that is compatible with your studies.

#### What can I study?

Get the skills you need by enrolling in the following hospitality short courses at no cost during your school holidays to help you get your first job or support your current role:

- Statement of attainment in hospitality skills (RSA, RCG and food safety)
- Statement of attainment in espresso coffee (Espresso coffee and food safety)
- Statement of attainment in customer service (Customer service and cultural sensitivity)
- Food safety supervisor (Food safety and food handling).

#### Am I eligible?

If you are a current school student aged 16 and above, you can access this initiative.

You will also need to be:

- living or working in NSW
- Australian or New Zealand citizen, permanent resident or humanitarian visa holder

#### Important

- Enrolments start from 1 July 2022.
- School holiday hospitality skills training should only be done during the school holiday periods.



#### How to access training:

Visit the [School holidays hospitality skills website](#) or scan the QR code to browse for courses and enrol today. Hurry up!



# NOTICES

FINAL DAY OF TERM 3 ~ FRIDAY 23RD SEPTEMBER

Term 4 Resumes

MONDAY 10TH OCTOBER



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## CALLING FOR VOLUNTEERS



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(Why The Face?)  
Tenterfield

For more information ring  
FACILITATOR on

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or to REGISTER contact  
Centacare NENW

1800 372 826

Learn how to manage and let go of your 11-22 year

This course covers:

- What is normal, what is not
- How to manage teens
- What not to do with your teen
- Improving your relationship with your teen
- Taking on a new role with your teen
- How to keep the communication channels open
- Helping your teen learn to manage their emotions
- How to help prevent behaviour problems in your teen



WHEN: Monday 19th  
September 2022

TIME: 10.30am - 2.30pm

WHERE: Tenterfield - to be  
advised on booking

COST: FREE



Registration is essential. This course  
is subject to registration numbers.



Centacare NENW acknowledges the traditional custodians of this  
land and pays respect to the elders past and present.

# NOTICES



## TENTERFIELD NAIDOC WEEK

27TH - 29TH SEPTEMBER 22

**GET UP!! STAND UP! SHOW UP!**

MOOMBAHLENE LALC WELCOMES YOU ALL TO HELP US CELEBRATE TENTERFIELD'S NAIDOC

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**PLANT A TREE FOR THE BEES** TUESDAY 27TH

JOIN US FOR A BUSH TUCKER TALK AND MORNING TEA AT GUNIMAA NURSERY OPEN DAY

FOLLOWED BY A BBQ LUNCH AND TREE PLANTING AFTERNOON AT THE MOOMBAHLENE FARM



**NSW GOVERNMENT**  
In partnership with: **SAVING OUR SPECIES**

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**FUN DAY IN PARK** WEDNESDAY 28TH

- MARKET STALLS - LIVE MUSIC - KIDS CRAFT  
- COMMUNITY STALLS

BBQ LUNCH BY ARMAJUN ABORIGINAL HEALTH SERVICE  
STARTING 9AM - BBQ @ 11.30AM




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**STORIES UNDER THE STARS**

JOIN MOOMBAHLENE LALC IN WELCOMING UNCLE LEN WATERS FROM KAMILAROI COUNTRY FOR A NIGHT OF STAR GAZING STORIES & UPCOMING ABORIGINAL SINGER SONG WRITERS BRING A CHAIR AND BLANKET

STARTING 6PM AT THE SPEAKING POLES MILLBROOK PARK




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**ELDERS DAY OUT WITH OZFISH** THURSDAY 29TH

ELDERS (OVER 50) ARE INVITED TO JOIN US FOR A FUN DAY OUT ON THE RIVERBANK. LIMITED SPACES AVAILABLE. BOOK IN SO YOU DONT MISS OUT



## LEN WATERS

STORIES UNDER THE STARS  
ON THE MAIN STAGE

**JOIN US**  
28 SEPT 2022  
@ THE SPEAKING POLES  
STARTING 6PM



**SAUSAGE SIZZLE MUSIC**

**ROCK N' ROLL WORKSHOP**

**STAR GAZING**  
BRING A CHAIR AND BLANKET

**PROUDLY SUPPORTED BY MOOMBAHLENE LALC**




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### Walk 'n' Talk For Life

Connect with your community to raise awareness for mental health and to prevent suicide

**FREE Morning Tea**

*Walk and Talk Your Worries Away*  
Everybody is welcome to this free event including dogs!  
Come down, grab a free yellow T-shirt and join Walk 'n' Talk For Life's growing community

**Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> September**  
Meet at Jubilee Park, Manners St at 9.30am. Walk at 10am.  
Morning Tea sponsored by 

**CWA Tenterfield Evening Branch**

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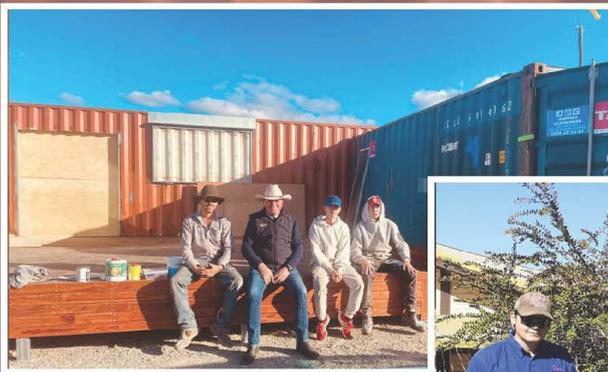


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## YOU ARE INVITED TO OUR OFFICIAL HUB LAUNCH

In partnership with Sony Foundation Australia, BackTrack would like to invite you to the launch of our Tenterfield operation and brand new shipping container youth hub!



### WHERE:

3 Francis Street, Tenterfield for the official hub opening, followed by the Tenterfield School of Arts for refreshments and entertainment.

### WHEN:

Thursday 15th September  
Hub opening: 4pm - 5pm  
Tenterfield School of Arts: 6pm - 8pm

### RSVP:

Contact Vince by Thursday 1st September at [vince@backtrack.org.au](mailto:vince@backtrack.org.au) or 0417416084. Please confirm your number of guests when you RSVP.

# NOTICES



## **School-based Aboriginal Traineeship Program 2023**

The NSW Department of Planning and Environment has partnered with HVTC to deliver School-Based Traineeship opportunities for Aboriginal students across NSW.

- Gain real on-the-job skills
- Complete a qualification
- Work with a NSW Government Dept.
- Ongoing support from HVTC

Positions are available in Sydney, Central West, New England, Illawarra, South Coast, and more!

**Register your interest  
via the QR code or visit  
the HVTC website!**



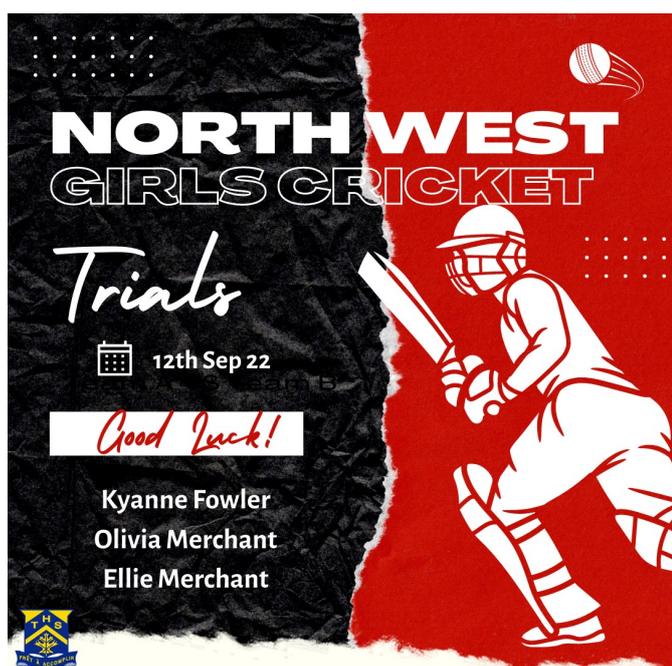
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**hvtc.com.au**  
**1800 427 864**



# IMPORTANT DATES

<b>12th September</b>	<b>NW Girls Cricket Trials</b>
<b>13th September</b>	<b>Ten Pin Bowling Interschools comp</b>
<b>14th September</b>	<b>RU OK Breakfast BBQ (rescheduled)</b>
<b>19th September</b>	<b>Formal Assembly &amp; Leader Induction</b>
<b>21st September</b>	<b>NAIDOC Aboriginal Incursion</b>
<b>21st September</b>	<b>CHS Girls Squash Finals</b>
<b>23rd September</b>	<b>Year 12 Graduation Assembly &amp; last day of Term 3</b>



**The P&C meets on the 1st Wednesday of each month at 5.30 pm in the Library.**

**New Members welcome!**



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