

ASHFORD CENTRAL SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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AROUND THE SCHOOL





UPCOMING EVENTS

MON DEC 16

Choir Singing at Sunhaven

TUE DEC 17

Rewards excursion - Green Valley Farm

WED DEC 18

Last day of Term 4 for all students

2025

THU FEB 13

First Day of School for K-12 Students

TUE FEB 18

Swimming Carnival

WED FEB 19

Year 7 & 10 Immunisation





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SCHOOL UPDATE

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

The newsletter this week will be our final publication for the 2024 school year. It has been an incredible year with many amazing achievements for our students. As we close the door on the 2024 school year I would like to thank everyone for their amazing contributions to our school and community.

In Week 7 our STUDEC students organised a great Water Fun Day at the Ashford Swimming Pool. Our students were lucky enough to play games, have water fights and enjoy a sausage sizzle for lunch. Thank you to Mrs Grabham, Mrs Blake, Mrs Foelz and Mr Cowley for supporting our student leaders this year and we can't wait to induct our new leaders at the beginning of 2025.

On Friday 29th November, Mr Hollands and Shano took a group of students to Myall Creek for a Seed Collection Workshop organised by the Northern Tablelands Local Lands Service. This was a great day full of fascinating learning experiences. Thank you to the LLS team for inviting our students and to Mr Hollands and Shano for their organisation of the excursion.

Week 8 marked the beginning of Intensive Swimming for our K-6 students. This is always a tiring time for our students and we thank our families for supporting our students to attend on these days and learn valuable water safety skills. Thank you to all of our Primary teachers and support staff who have been heading to the pool each day.

Throughout this term, a group of students have been travelling to Inverell to play lawn bowls at Sporties against other schools. Wednesday this week was their final competition day. Our Ashford Central School students were so successful that they were the overall winners. Congratulations to our students who had varying levels of experience. Thank you to all of the staff who organised and took students to Inverell.

On Wednesday 4th December Mrs Alexander took a group of secondary students to Glen Innes for a League Tag Gala Day. All of the students had a great day and enjoyed their experience. Thank you to Mrs Alexander for all of her organisation.

On Wednesday 4th December we held our annual Presentation Night. It was amazing to see the large amount of students, families and community members in the school hall to celebrate the successes of our students. Thank you to everyone who turned out to support your students on the evening. Thank you to all of the office staff who spent a considerable amount of time preparing trophies, certificates, prizes and awards for the evening, your efforts are greatly appreciated.







SCHOOL UPDATE

One of our final formal events for the year was held on Wednesday 11th December. I had the pleasure of spending the evening with our Year 6 Graduates of 2024, their families and friends. This group of students were in Kindergarten in 2018 when I first arrived at Ashford Central School. I have been fortunate to see these students grow and learn through their education journey and I look forward to watching them as they progress into High School and beyond. Well done Year 6 and thank you to all of the staff who helped make the evening a success, we could not have done it without you.

Next Monday our Primary choir are heading to Sunhaven to do some singing with the residents. We love seeing the connection between our students and the residents at Sunhaven. They always welcome us in with open arms and our students thrive of the connections they build. Thank you to the staff at Sunhaven for hosting this opportunity for our students, we are very grateful for the opportunity. Thank you to our staff who have organised this excursion.

Next Tuesday we will be going on our final rewards excursion for the year. Our students with exemplary behaviour and outstanding attendance will be spending the day at Green Valley Farm. Well done to all of the students who achieved this goal. I am very proud of you.

I would like to wish all of our families a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. I look forward to working with you in 2025.

Mr Wrobel















PRINCIPAL'S SPOTLIGHT

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Each fortnight teachers have been asked to send students with great learning growth or an exceptional piece of learning to my office for positive reinforcement. When students arrive, we discuss what they were learning, why they think they were chosen by their teacher and how good it makes them feel to have this honour. I then offer them a sticker and call their parents to reinforce that they are doing a great job in the classroom.

This fortnights student is: Bryce Irwin







AFTER SCHOOL SEWING

Our After School Sewing group has been very busy in weeks 8 & 9!! We made 17 personal care bags and 18 gift bags. We would like to thank all our helpers and students who took part in the afternoon sewing program. You have done an amazing and important work.

Merry Christmas everyone and we will see you next year!!









VISUAL ARTS NEWS

YEAR 9/10 VISUAL ARTS FREE CHOICE ARTWORKS

Year 9 and 10 art students have been working on creating their own free-choice artworks this term, allowing them to explore their personal interests and experiment with different techniques. This project has encouraged them to express their individual creativity and artistic vision, while also developing their skills in various mediums. The students have had the opportunity to choose their themes, styles, and materials, resulting in a diverse range of unique and imaginative pieces













George Rogers

Lillie-Anne Dell

Duke Beveridge







Isabelle Williams

Makeely Hancock

Bailey Foelz

THANK YOU TO CHLOE DRYSDALE AND MAKEELY HANCOCK



Chloe, Makeely and Mrs McIntyre have been hard at work creating paintings for the Ashford Bowling Club to showcase in their windows. Well done, girls – they look amazing!

They are set to complete two more paintings in the remaining weeks of school.

7 VISUAL ARTS STUDENTS - RECYCLED ARTWORKS

Students have created artworks for submission in the Litterarty competition, where they were challenged to design a sculpture entirely made from found and/or recycled materials. The theme focused on pollution and the impact on our oceans and marine life. Amazing achievement.







'Sea Bird' - Joe Beveridge

Australian seabirds play a crucial role in maintaining the health of our ecosystem, contributing to biodiversity and the balance of marine life. These birds help regulate fish populations, control pests, and facilitate the transfer of nutrients between land and sea. To protect these vital species, it is essential to address threats such as pollution, particularly plastic waste, which can harm seabirds through ingestion and entanglement. Efforts to reduce plastic pollution and mitigate other environmental threats are key to preserving these birds and ensuring the continued health of our ecosystems.



'Let them Live' - Joy Doney

The ocean is dear to me, providing peace and joy when I swim in its waves. However, beneath it lies a fragile ecosystem with life that faces threats from overfishing, pollution, and climate change, leading to declining populations. Organisations like Greenpeace are initiating positive changes, but collective effort is needed to counteract past damages. I picture a clam with a beautiful shell and a hidden pearl, covered by trash, representing the urgent need for change. Our actions have caused harm, but we can unite to protect and revive our oceans for future generations.



Sophiee Whalley



Emily Yang



Alexander Watters



Brendon Schneider

YEAR 9 MEMORY BOX ASSESSMENTS

For their major assessment on World War I, Year 9 students created memory boxes that captured significant moments from a person's life during the era. Most student selected a local historical figure/soldier and designed a box, book, envelope, or other container to reflect the time period and individual they researched. Inside the box, students included carefully chosen items such as books, jewelry, war documents, badges, and photographs—or representations of these objects—each with a brief explanation of its significance and its connection to the figure's life. Using a mix of primary and secondary sources, they brought their chosen historical figure to life, offering a personal glimpse into the past.



Bailey Foelz - 'Oswald Henry Wells'



George Rogers - 'Edmond O'Brien'



Stuart Bradley - 'Henry Bell'



Duke Beveridge - 'Percy William Beveridge'



Lillie-Anne Dell - 'A.J.Hart'



Makeely Hancock - 'Oswald Henry Wells'

YEAR 9 MEMORY BOX ASSESSMENTS



Duncan Crafar - 'Ernest Owen McCosker'



Ellie Foley 'Albert Bryant'



Hunter Irwin - 'Collin James Irwin'



Zane Charles - 'Percy William Beveridge'



Leroy Allen - 'Alfred John Edward Collins'



Chloe Drysdale- 'Loyal William Wells'



Isabelle Williams - 'Archduke Franz Ferdinand'



STUDEC WATER FUN DAY

Students had a wonderful time in the pool for STUDEC Water Fun Day !!!

























WATER FUN DAY





























PRINCIPAL'S ASSEMBLY

TERM 4 PRINCIPAL'S ASSEMBLY

Term 4 Principal's Assembly was held on Friday 29th November 2024, in the school hall. Congratulations to all those students who received an award. Thank you to all the family members who attended the assembly in support of their children. We would like to thank our school's canteen and Year 6 students, for organising the delicious lunch that followed the assembly. We would also like to thank Fernlee Station River Camping and Bernadette Cluff for their generous donation of fresh, sweet mangos which were given to the students and their families following the assembly.



Emmily Morley

Codie Morley

Mackenna Ozanne-Sharwood

Dridan Stanley

Sophiee Whalley

RED AWARDS

Joe Beveridge Jaxon Charles

Ayla Davis

Joel Dehn

Lillie-Anne Dell

Ellie Foley

Zarleah Gleeson

Jacob Hillhouse

Claye Lavender

Emmily Morley

Hailee-Mae Murphy

Hunter Ryan

Axel Ryan

Aidan Ryan

Leighton Stevens

Lilly Taylor

Maddison Whalley

Esther Wright

BLUE AWARDS

Tiarnie Batty

Savarnah Batty

Joe Beveridge

Duke Beveridge

Stuart Bradley

Duncan Crafar

Leroy Dedula

Lillie-Anne Dell

Mae Doney

Chloe Drysdale

Johnathan Hillhouse

Allakae Hillhouse

Letti Irving

Bryce Irwin

Charlee-Rae Johnson-

Nguyen

Mahalia Lavender

Lucas Mackay

Xavier Rollinson

Ryley Ryan

Rubin Stewart

Danny Tyne

Narah Wright

Emma Yang

SILVER AWARDS

Sam Baker

Tiarnie Batty

Indigo Batty

Duke Beveridge

Theo Boyd

Stuart Bradley

Kurt Charles

Flynn Cook

Leroy Dedula

Joy Doney

Chloe Drysdale

Bailey Foelz

Makeely Hancock

Leonard Irving

Kytiana Irving

Hunter Irwin

Samayha Lazar-Brown

Lexi Martinez

George Rogers

Bonnie Sara

Tayla Stevens

Mia Stewart

Kash Wilde

Kusii viilue

Emily Yang Samantha Yang





PRINCIPAL'S ASSEMBLY





















SEED WORKSHOP

SEED COLLECTION WORKSHOP

On Friday the 29th of November a cohort of Ashford Carbon Warriors attended a seed collection workshop. The venue - Myall Creek Memorial Precinct. The day was hosted by NSW Local Land Services and utilised the expertise of Bio Bank and Stringy Bark Ecology. Over the course of the day students were treated to an introduction to native plant biology, seed collection, harvesting and storage protocols, a catered lunch with bottomless coke esky along with a tour of the Myall Creek Memorial Precinct Revegetation project. Sincere thanks goes to Local Land Services, Bio Bank, Stringybark Ecology, Myall Creek Management committee and Ashford's AEO, Shane Edmonds, for organising this successful opportunity for students.











SECONDARY LAWN BOWLS - CHAMPIONS - TROPHY WINNERS

On December 11th, Claye Lavender, Tayla Stevens, Joy Doney, Michael Collison, Sam Baker, and Kaleia MacDonald, accompanied by Mrs. McIntyre, took part in the All Schools Lawn Bowls Competition at The Inverell Sporties. The students faced off against teams from Bundarra, Inverell High, and Macintyre High

School. The group played exceptionally well, demonstrating their skills and teamwork, and ultimately secured a solid victory with a total of 84 points. Congratulations to everyone involved! We're proud of your efforts and the sportsmanship you displayed throughout the day. Thank you Mr Luckett for your support and training tips.





SECONDARY LEAGUE TAG

Students travelled to Glen Innes for a Girls League Tag Gala Day on Wednesday, 4th December. The girls played well and continued to improve throughout the day. The girls demonstrated outstanding sportsmanship and enjoyed themselves immensely. Mrs Alexander also enjoyed the day and the opportunity to work with such a lovely bunch of ladies.









PRESENTATION NIGHT

On Wednesday, 4th December, we celebrated our students achievements during Presentation night. Students received recognition for their hard work during the year in the form of certificates, gifts and applause. Thank you to all the families and friends who joined us on this joyful evening. Congratulations to all our students for their excellent achievements this year.



D.L. Kneipp Public Speaking: Gloria Crafar, Tayla Stevens, Charlee-Rae Johnston-Nguyen



Citizenship Awards: Lanaya Whalley, Tyiler Schumann, Lexi Martinez, Leroy Dedula



Kindergarten Academic Awards :Ruby Taylor, Mia Stewart, Wyatt Langbein, Allakae Hillhouse, Rochelle-Claire Davis, Alaska Coombes, Jaxon Charles, Theo Boyd



Year 3–6 Academic Awards: Arya Green, Letti Irving, Hamish Irwin, Ayla Davis, Kash Wilde, Thomas Grabham, Jack Mackay, Lucas Mackay, Kurt Charles, Samayha Lazar-Brown



Year 1 Academic Awards: Leonard Irving, Ella Grabham, Tyrus Charles



Year 2 Academic Awards: Tyiler Schumann, Samantha Yang, Bonnie Sara



Catholic Scripture Award for Achievement: Sam Baker, Thomas Grabham, Tyiler Schumann



Anglican Scripture Award: Jack Mackay, Alaynah Archer, Mae Doney



DUX of Primary: Gloria Crafar



Inverell RSL Sub-Branch Achievement Award: Sam Baker



1971–74 Reunion Shield For Effort & Achievement: Kurt Charles



Mrs Denise Hills Performing Arts Awards: Codie Morley



UNE Vice Chancellor's High Achievement Award: Leroy Dedula



Reuben F Scarf: Ashton Wieczorek



1954 Reunion Shield For Achievement and Effort: Lexi Martinez



The Ampol All Rounder Award: Leroy Dedula



Year 7 Academic Awards: Claye Lavender, Kaleia Macdonald, Brendon Schneider, Joy Doney, Emily Yang, Joe Beveridge



Year 8 Academic Awards: Elizabeth Ngatamariki, Sarah Strofeldt, Lilly Taylor, Charlee-Rae Johnston Nguyen, Narah Wright



Year 9 Academic Awards: Stuart Bradley, Chloe Drysdale, Makeeley Hancock, Hunter Irwin, George Rogers, Bailey Foelz, Ellie Foley, Duncan Crafar



Year 10 Academic Awards: Darcy Thompson, Flynn Cook, Tiarnie Batty, Esther Wright



Year 11 Academic Awards: Peter Dedula, Lexi Martinez



Year 12 Academic Awards: Leroy Dedula, Ashton Wieczorek, Christie Fleming-Leek, Alexander Bradley, Chloe Hurst



John & Daph Watts Senior Secondary Award for Achievement & Effort: Christie Fleming-Leek



Australian Defence Force Award: Christie Fleming-Leek Future Innovators Award: Flynn Cook, Alexander Bradley



Arlington's Technics Encouragement Award: Darcy Thompson



Creative Arts Award: Bailey Foelz



Community
College Award:
Alexander Bradley



NSW Teachers Federation Quiet Achiever Award: Chloe Hurst



Primary Sports Encouragement Awards: Thomas Grabham, Letti Irving



Premiers Sporting Challenge-Primary: Leighton Stevens, Kytianna Irving



Sports Person of the Year - Primary: Sam Baker



Premiers Sporting Challenge-Secondary: Chloe Drysdale, Duncan Crafar



Sports Person of the Year - Secondary: Leroy Dedula



PBL Award: Brendon Schneider



Gold Award K-6: Leonard Irving, Mia Stewart, Theo Boyd, Arya Green, Ella Grabham, Sam Baker, Bonnie Sara, Gloria Crafar, Samantha Yang



Gold Awards - Secondary: Joy Doney, Tayla Stevens, Flynn Cook, Chloe Drysdale, Lexi Martinez, Hunter Irwin, Leroy Dedula, George Rogers, Christie Fleming-Leek





Platinum Awards: Sarah Strofeldt, Thomas Grabham, Bailey Foelz





YEAR 6 GRADUATION

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We would like to congratulate the graduating Year 6 class for 2024. Students had a lovely evening with lots of fun, food and laughter. We can't wait to see them for 2025 in their blue high school shirts!





YEAR 6 GRADUATION





















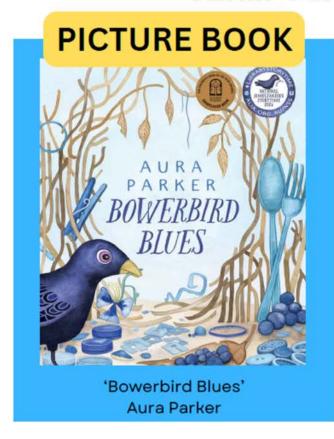


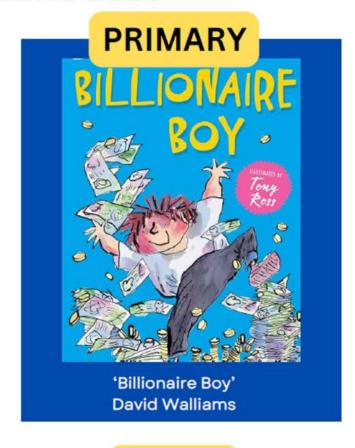


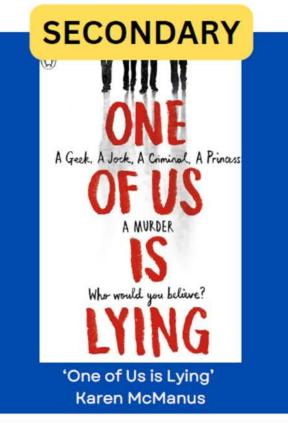
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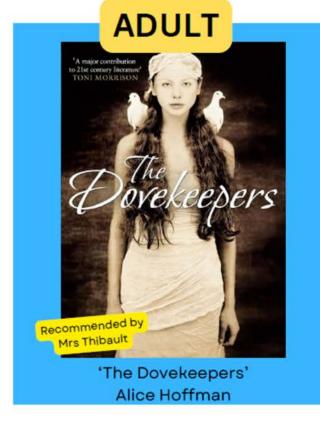
BOOK RECOMMENDATIONS

TERM 4 WEEK 8 2024











BOOK REVIEWS

Picture Book Review



Bowerbird Blues by Aura Parker A book that is both funny and sad. A great book for any kids in Primary. The pictures are my favourite.

Jaxon Charles

Ashford Central School







Billionaire Boy by David Williams

A funny read, a good book for 7yr olds and older. If I had a billion dollars, I would buy heaps of cows and horses, not race cars.

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BOOK REVIEW

Teen Book

One of Us is Lying by Karen McManus



Gloria Crafar





TOP SCHOOL ATTENDERS

Congratulations to the following students for achieving above the state average of 92% attendance.



Alaynah Archer	Stuart Bradley	
Ella Grabham	Lillie-Anne Dell	
Leonard Irving	Chloe Drysdale	
Bonnie Sara	Bailey Foelz	
Ethan Elphick	Flynn Cook	
Kytiana Irving		
Lucas Mackay		
Emma Yang		
Thomas Grabham		
Arya Green		
Sam Baker		
Gloria Crafar		
Hamish Irwin		
Jack Mackay		
Michael Collison		
Charlee-Rae Johnson-Nguyen		
Narah Wright		
Theo Boyd		

CHRISTMAS COMMUNITY SPIRIT

We would like to thank for following people and business for their generous donation of Christmas hampers which will be distributed among families in the community, in the days leading up to Christmas:

- Ask Wellbeing Services
- FoodWorks Texas
- The Village Table Ashford
- Shane & Trudy Edmonds

Your donation is kindly appreciated !!







STAR TICKET CANTEEN VOUCHER WINNERS

CONGRATULATIONS



Star tickets are token rewards that are handed to students displaying positive behaviour in any setting to reinforce expectation. It is the students responsibility for placing the completed star ticket into their allocated star ticket box, which is located in the Ashford Central School Library. Tickets are drawn out of the star ticket box by the teacher at fortnightly assembly.

TOP MERIT AWARD RECIPIENTS

PRIMARY

Jack Mackay
Arya Green
Codie Morley
Lucas Mackay
Emma Yang
Savarnah Batty
Mahalia Lavender
Kytiana Irving
Emmily Morley
Indigo Batty
Mae Doney
Leighton Stevens
Ethan Elphick
Jacob Hillhouse

Adam Doney

SECONDARY

Flynn Cook
Tayla Stevens
Chloe Drysdale
George Rogers
Bailey Foelz
Ellie Foley
Stuart Bradley
Hunter Irwin
Joy Doney
Claye Lavender
Charlee-Rae JohnsonNguyen
Tiarnie Batty
Kaleia MacDonald
Narah Wright





Stuart Bradley
Jack Baker
Bonnie Sara
Lillie-Anne Dell
Jason Whalley
Michael Collison
Sophiee Whalley



SAFETY | TEAMWORK | ACHIEVEMENT | RESPECT



Christmas Card Fundraiser

Students at Ashford Central School have been hard at work creating artworks for Christmas Cards. The P&C has created Christmas cards from these designs and printed them on linen textured card



Cards are on sale at the Ashford Central School Front Office









SBAT OPPORTUNITY

INVERELL LEGACY

- Complete a traineeship whilst at school.
- Achieve an industry recognised qualification in Business or Accounts Administration as well as your HSC.
- Combines paid work, training and school.

INTERESTED - SPEAK TO



SBAT OPPORTUNITY

DEPT OF CUSTOMER SERVICE

- Available for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students.
- · Complete a traineeship whilst at school.
- Achieve an industry recognised qualification in Business as well as your HSC
- Combines paid work, training and school.

INTERESTED - SPEAK TO



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SBAT OPPORTUNITY

NEW ENGLAND TOYOTA

- Complete a traineeship whilst at school
- Achieve an industry recognised qualification in Automotive Servicing Technology as well as your HSC.
- Combines paid work, training and school.

INTERNATED - BYEAR TO



SBAT OPPORTUNITY

FEX ACCOUNTANTS AND ADVISORS

- Complete a traineeship whilst at school
- Achieve an industry recognised qualification in Business or Accounts Administration as well as your HSC.
- Combines paid work, training and school.

POUR CARESES ADVISES



SBAT OPPORTUNITY

PRINT ANYTHING

- Complete a traineeship whilst at school.
- Achieve an industry recognised qualification in Business or Retail as well as your HSC.
- Combines paid work, training and school.

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SBAT OPPORTUNITY

LAWRENCE & HANSON AND MRAEL

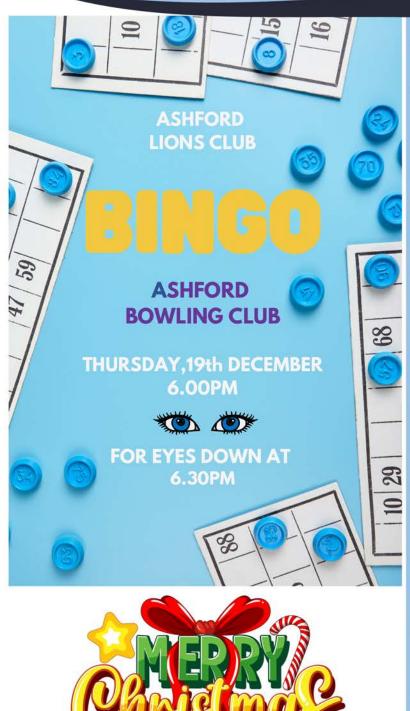
- Complete a traineeship whilst at school.
- Achieve an industry recognised qualification in Business, Retail or Supply Chain Operations as well as your HSC
- Combines paid work, training and school.

INTERESTED - SPEAK TO





COMMUNITY NEWS



RIDDLE Of the Week

How does a snow globe feel?

Answer on the back page

UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS

SAT DEC 14

Inverell Carols in the Park starting 6:30pm. Campbell Park Inverell.

SAT DEC 14

The Salvation Army Toy Run and Poker Run

SAT DEC 14

Atholwood CWA Twilight Christmas Markets From 3:00pm at Goat Rock

SUN DEC 15

Sapphire City Markets

WED DEC 18 - THU DEC 19

ICYouth Inverell Christmas Party. Open to 12 to 18 year olds. 18 Vivian St Inverell

THU DEC 19

Bingo at the Ashford Bowling Club. 6:00pm for 6:30pm start.

THU DEC 26

Boxing Day Races featuring DJ JORDE, Inverell

SUN JAN 26

Australia Day Celebrations at the Ashford Pool

SAT FEB 22 - SUN FEB 23

Ashford Show

FRI FEB 28 - SAT MAR 1

Inverell show



To have your community event or news listed on this page, please contact the school.



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Position Vacant

REGISTERED NURSE

Sunhaven Hostel

We are looking for a person with a passion for caring for the clinical needs of our residents.

ESSENTIAL CRITERIA

- Current AHPRA registration
- · Empathy and compassion for older people
- · Commitment, punctuality, politeness and a great work ethic
- · Current police check or willingness to obtain
- · First Aid Certificate or willingness to obtain
- Up to date COVID19 vaccinations not mandatory but recommended.

DESIRABLE

- · Previous experience in an aged care environment
- IPC Lead Certification

If you require more information, please phone the Manager on 0267254223.

To apply, please send a cover letter and resume to:

The Manager

Sunhaven Hostel

10 Kneipp St

FREE

ASHFORD 2361

Or email: manageresunhavenhostel.com.au

Expression of Interest CONTRACT CLEANER Kwiambal National Park

A Part Time Contract Cleaner for the Visitor Accommodation at Kwiambal National Park.

30 Minutes from Ashford. Flexible hours to suit operational requirements. Must have an ABN and insurance.

Please contact National Parks for more details and expression of interest:

Phone number - 02 6739 0700 Email -

minyon.landers@environment.nsw.gov.au



INVERELL

TOY RUN and Poker Run

Save the Date

Saturday 14 December 24

Stands Up: 10:00 am

Supported by: Odin's Warriors MC, Viking Breed SMC, Inverell Freemasons, Inverell Motorcycles, Inverell Motorcycle Restorers Club

Further Information Zolly-0407456752 Mick-0447522357 Drube-0427254478 Col-0458255557





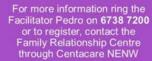


WHEN: 2 Mondays - 9th & 16th December 2024

TIME: 10am - 1pm

WHERE: Centacare Armidale - 150 Rusden St, Armidale

Registrations are essential This course is subject to numbers



Yes? Come to the



1800 372 826











THE SAPPHIRE CITY CONCERT BAND PRESENTS

CAROLS IN THE PARK

SATURDAY 14TH DECEMBER, 2024 * **FROM 6:30PM** AT CAMPBELL PARK AUDITORIUM

WITH SPECIAL GUESTS

THE INVERELL PIPE BAND | THE INVERELL SINGERS THE NORTHERN CHORALE & MC PETER CADDEY

FREE FAMILY EVENT BATTERY CANDLES FOR SALE \$5 (CASH ONLY) FRUITALICIOUS FOOD TRUCKS FROM 6PM









INVERELL CUP CARNIVAL

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2024/25 INVERELL CUP CARNIVAL

Boxing Day Races - December 26

- Goodwood Cup
- Fashions on the Field
 - DJJORDE

Inverell Cup Calcutta - December 31

- Big night at Inverell Sporties
- Phantom Inverell Cup call
- Entertainment and much more

Inverell Cup - January 1

- \$45,000 Inverell Cup
- \$30,000 Inverell Shorts
- \$50,000 Brian Baldwin Super Maiden
- Eight-race showcase program
 - Fashions on the Field
 - Great country racing







Mental Health Services and Support

Beyond Blue

24/7 mental health support service

1300 22 4636 beyondblue.org.au

headspace

Online support and counselling to young people aged 12 to 25

1800 650 890 (9am to 1am daily)

For webchat, visit: headspace.org.au/ eheadspace

Kids Helpline

24/7 crisis support and suicide prevention services for children and young people aged

1800 55 1800 kidshelpline.com.au

1800 RESPECT

24/7 support for people impacted by sexual assault, domestic violence and abuse

1800 737 732 1800respect.org.au

QLife

LGBTI peer support and referral

1800 184 527

(3pm to midnight daily)

qlife.org.au (online chat 3pm to midnight local time, including over holidays.)

Lifeline

24/7 crisis support and suicide prevention services

13 11 14 lifeline.org.au

Suicide Call

24/7 crisis support and counselling service for people affected by suicide

1300 659 467 suicidecallbackservice .org.au

Mensline

24/7 counselling service for men

1300 78 99 78 mensline.org.au

13YARN

24/7 crisis support for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people

13 92 76 13yarn.org.au



If you are concerned about someone at risk of immediate harm, call 000 or go to your nearest hospital emergency department.















Surviving Your Adolescents

FACILITATOR on

6738 7200

The Surviving Your Adolescents course covers:

- What is normal adolescent behaviour, what is not
- How to manage teen risk-taking
- The Four Things Not To Do
- The Four Ways to improve your relationship
- 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: 2 Tuesdays - 10th & 17th

December 2024

TIME: 10am - 1pm

WHERE: Centacare Armidale, 150

Rusden Street, Armidale

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.

SATURDAY 19TH - SUNDAY 20TH APRIL 2025 (EASTER)

BACK TO ASHFORD REUNION

Organised by The Ashford Business Council



PLANNING IS WELL UNDERWAY FOR OUR BACK TO ASHFORD REUNION

The Ashford Business Council have been working hard to organise our Back to Ashford Reunion next Easter.

At this early stage the program will include an Easter Hat Parade, street stalls, memory lane in the school hall, morning tea, golf and bowls games, kids activities including a scavenger hunt on bikes, trivia night with dinner, a raffle, and many more activities to be confirmed.

The Ashford Central School, P&C, Bowling Club, Golf Club, Aboriginal Land Council and the Lions Club, are all on board to make this event the best it can be.

Gather up your Ashford memorabilia and art works /textiles for the historical display and art exhibition in the hall!!!

We set up an 'Event' on the Ashford NSW Facebook page, please register 'Going' if attending

IDEAS AND INPUT ARE WELCOME

Please Contact:

Rosemary Gordor 0493094837

OR

Leeanne Vickers 0428254058

Or Email ashfordcelebrations@gmail.com



MEMBERSHIP

\$50 Adults - \$20 School Children

SOCIAL TENNIS

\$5 Key Deposit
(Refundable on Key Return)

\$5 Adults - \$3 Kids

Social tennis starting soon

HIRE OF COURTS

Contact Maree for arrangements.

President:	Gilbert Fitzhannim	0428 195 501
Vice President:	Mark Thorn	
Secretary:	Maree Akhurst	0438 294 646
Treasurer:	Leza Luckett	0458 404 765



Anyone wishing to book Ashford
Showgrounds for an event or simply wanting
to contact The Showground Land Managers
Trust, please contact the Secretary.

Secretary/Treasurer: Trevor Tindall
Ashford Show Grounds Statutory Land Manager
1276 Wallangra Road, Ashford NSW 2361
Email: rusty-tinebigpond.com
Mobile: 0448 811 813

If the secretary can not be reached, please try David Thompson (President) on 0488 507 824.



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Hot Food ~ Coffee ~ Groceries Meat & Veges ~ Lotto ~ Bait Phone Credit ~ Bottle Shop

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ALTERNATE SUNDAYS AT 9AM AT THE PRESBYTERIAN OR ANGLICAN CHURCH

Service held bi-monthly in the Sunhaven Activity Room



Jesus is moving, Jesus is present, Jesus is Lord.

ST PATRICKS CATHOLIC CHURCH

MASS TIMES:

EVERY 3RD SATURDAY 3:30PM

CHRISTMAS EVE MASS:

5:00PM TUESDAY DECEMBER 24

ENQUIRIES:

SACRED HEART PARISH INVERELL 6722 1103 FR PAUL CHANDLER ADM LOCAL CONTACT: CATHY FOELZ 0427 879 595



ASHFORD POLICE

ASHFORD POLICE STATION PH 6721 8320 INVERELL POLICE STATION (24 HRS) PH 67220599 EMERGENCY 000 POLICE ASSISTANCE LINE 131 444

ACCESSING MEDICAL SERVICES IN ASHFORD

ASHFORD DOCTOR Dr Abbas Hussein

Saturday Only 8.00AM : Blood Tests 8.30am - 3.00pm : Appointments

Phone (SAT): 02 6726 2000

To make appointments please phone Campbell and Freebairn Ashford on 02 6725 4013.

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HELPFUL PHONE NUMBERS Community Health Centre Ashford 02 6726 2030

Texas Doctor: Dr Abbas Hussein 07 4653 1363

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BLOOD TESTS

Blood tests are conducted every 2nd Thursday at Community Health. Phone 02 6726 2030





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10.30AM - 1.00PM

Enquiries: 0423 348 419

Looking forward to your support in the future!



RECIPE OF THE WEEK

RUM BALLS

Ingredient List:

- 250 g Arnott's Milk Arrowroot biscuits crushed
- 395 g NESTLE Sweetened Condensed Milk
- 1 cup coconut
- 1/4 cup cocoa
- 11/2 tbs rum to taste
- 1 cup coconut to extra (for decoration)

Method:

- Combine all ingredients.
- Wet hands and roll mixture into small balls then coat in coconut.
- · Refrigerate of freeze for later.



https://www.bestrecipes.com.au/recipes/rum-balls-recipe-4/dc2ghlf0

COCONUTICE

<u>Ingredient List:</u>

- 397g/14oz tin condensed milk
- 325g/11½oz icing sugar, sifted
- 350g/12oz desiccated coconut
- pink food colouring paste

Method:

- Line the base and sides of a 20cm/8in square baking tin with baking paper.
- Combine the condensed milk and icing sugar in a large mixing bowl and mix well. Add the desiccated coconut and mix again until thoroughly combined. Weigh the mixture and divide in half.
 Spoon one half into the prepared tin and spread level using either clean hands or the back of a spoon - you might find it easier to lightly dampen your hands first. Press into a smooth, even layer.
- Add a tiny amount of pink food colouring paste to the remaining mixture in the bowl and mix again until evenly coloured. Press this pink mixture over the white coconut ice in a smooth layer. Cover and leave to firm up overnight.
- The next day, turn the mixture out of the tin onto a chopping board and cut into 40 small squares to serve.

If you or someone else needs immediate help – call 000

Additional Support Services

Life Line – 13 11 14 24/7 confidential crisis support

NSW Mental Health Line – 1800 011 511 24/7 telephone assessment & referral

Beyond Blue 1300 224 636 24/7 mental health counselling, support and referral

Alcohol & Drug Information Service 1800 250 015 (24/7) Information, support referral & counselling on drugs and alcohol

Kids Helpline (24hrs) Young people 5-25 years old

Suicide Call Back Service 1300 659 467 24/7 telephone support & counselling for anyone affected by suicide

Men's Helpline 1300 789 978 24/7 information & referral service for men with family and relationship concerns



Health

Hunter New England Local Health District

Referral

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0477 322 851

Monday to Friday 8.00am - 4.30pm

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Email

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Your local Farmgate support worker:



Who Can Get Help



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Front line service/business providers

Local Businesses

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Program provides free
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Answer: a little shaken!