



clontarf
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HORNET HIGHLIGHTS



IRRAWANG CLONTARF ACADEMY
TERM 1 2025 WRAP UP

CLONTARF MISSION STATEMENT

The Clontarf Foundation exists to improve the education, discipline, life skills, self-esteem and employment prospects of young Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander men and by doing so equips them to participate more meaningfully in society.



ATTENDANCE

Our academy has 75 boys in total for 2025!

61% of our academy members have above 80% attendance

29 boys finished Term 1 with attendance above 90%

Year 7- 85%

Year 8- 83%

Year 9- 73%

Year 10- 77%

Year 11- 73%

Year 12- 92%

Irrawang Academy Total Attendance for Term 1: 81%

INVERELL CAMP



The Irrawang Hornets kicked off 2025 with a regional camp to Inverell!

Over the three-day camp, the boys joined in on a morning training session with the Oxley Bulls, enjoyed a delicious breakfast prepared by the staff, and visited local swimming spots.



The highlight of the camp was the touch carnival, where the Hornets showed great Clontarf spirit competing against other academies.



Big thanks to the Oxley and Inverell academies for their incredible hospitality.

YEAR 11/12 EMPLOYMENT FORUM HUNTER REGION

This term, we joined the other academies from the Newcastle/Hunter region at Club NEX for the 2025 Employment Forum.



After a relaxed morning tea, the boys engaged with partners from organisations like Wests Group, Bunnings, Big W, Kmart, Thiess, Yancoal, Protech, and Bullivants.

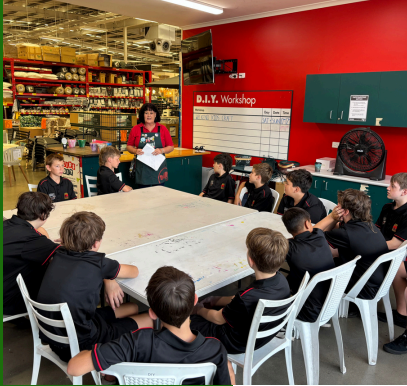
The information the boys received from the partners was invaluable, with many of them organising work placements on the spot.



The day wrapped up with a debrief, with many boys showing strong interest in future career pathways. We're already looking forward to next year's event!



YEAR 7 INDUCTION CAMP



Our new Year 7 boys enjoyed their first Clontarf camp this term at Stockton Surf Life Saving Club.

They started with a tour of Bunnings to learn about careers in construction, followed by a beach safety session with a Stockton lifeguard.

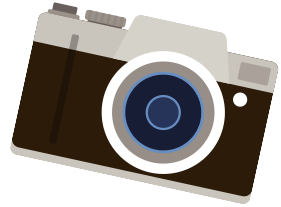


The camp was packed with fun activities, including swims at Newcastle Ocean Baths and Nobby's Beach, ice cream in the sun, leadership games, and icebreakers to help the boys bond. A visit to Putt Putt and a Subway lunch rounded off a memorable few days full of learning, laughter, and new friendships.



We were super impressed with how the boys embraced their first Clontarf camp!

PICS OF THE TERM



TERM 2 TEASERS

SYDNEY REWARD

CAMP



NEWCASTLE PORT

WORKSITE VISIT

TOP TRAINERS CAMP



(BATEAU BAY)

BHP MOUNT ARTHUR

WORKSITE VISIT

NATIONAL STAFF PD



MOTHER'S DAY

BREAKFAST



YEAR 7/8 CENTRAL

COAST RUGBY LEAGUE

CARNIVAL

OUR TEAM



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**THE IRRAWANG ACADEMY THANKS OUR COMMUNITY, FAMILIES,
STAFF, AND PARTNERS FOR YOUR INCREDIBLE SUPPORT IN
HELPING MAKE THIS TERM SUCH A SUCCESS FOR OUR BOYS.**

**WISHING YOU A SAFE, RESTFUL EASTER BREAK—
WE CAN'T WAIT TO SEE YOU IN TERM 2!**