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THIS WEEK

**THURSDAY 13th AUGUST
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SUNDAY: 12-2PM



Daffodil Day 2026

The 2026 Cancer Council **DAFFODIL DAY** falls on **THURSDAY 20th AUGUST**. Barraba Cancer Patient's Fund Raising Group Inc.(BCPFRG) will be helping to celebrate this day by holding their annual Street Stall, in the Queen Street Mall from 9am. Funds raised from Daffodil Day throughout the nation, assist in raising awareness of cancer and go towards cancer research projects. BCPFRG donate to the NSW Cancer Council and other Australian cancer related organizations.

Please come along and support this worthy cause – there will of course be beautifully bright yellow bunches of Daffodils, home baked/made goods of all varieties on the trading table, morning tea plates served with a cup of tea or coffee to be enjoyed in the mall, hopefully with some local musicians to add to the ambience. The Guessing Competition and 100 Club will be conducted, and plated goodies with daffodils will be delivered to the local Business Houses throughout the town.

The BCPFRG's Daffodil Day Street Stall is shaping up to be another successful community event. We look forward to seeing you there next Thursday 20th August from 9am.

Letter to the Editor

Wow. In the midst of all the tumult and suffering there is evidence of things happening and the reason for you being there.

Mary Grocott
Manilla

Editor: Thanks Mary, the team of volunteers appreciate a pat on the back for getting 'News' out each week.

Vale Mandy

Mandy Cabot was a dedicated member of the Frost Over Barraba team for more than ten years. As Hanging Director Mandy oversaw the display of more than 500 artworks at every Frost, which she accomplished calmly and creatively. Mandy was an outstanding person; she was practical, talented, insightful and always kind. Mandy will be deeply missed by everyone in the Frost team. We will miss her very much and wish to express our condolences to her family and friends.



BARRABA UNITING CHURCH NOTICES

Sunday 16th August – 8.45am

Please note new time for the next few months.
All welcome

ANGLICAN CHURCH TIMES

St Laurence's Barraba

Sunday service at 10.00am

Woodsreef 11.30am, 2nd Sunday of each month

CATHOLIC CHURCH TIMES

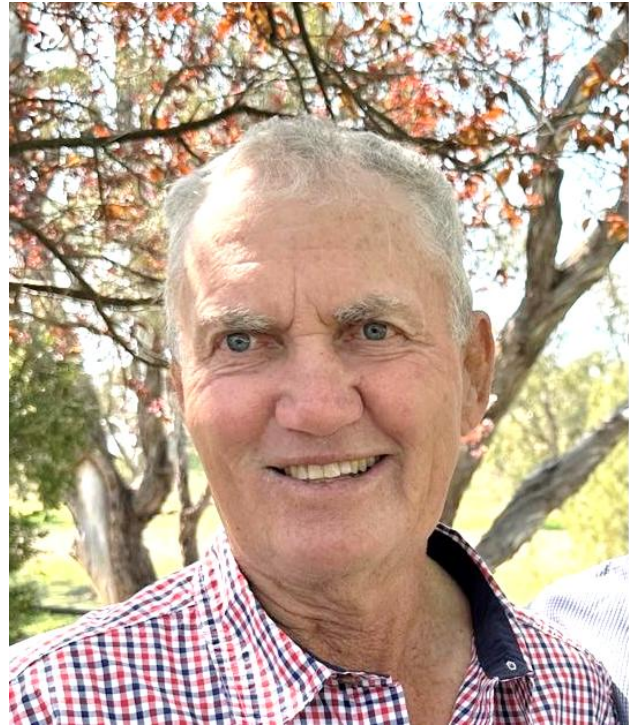
Barraba 1st Sunday of the month, Saturday evening

Mass 5pm. (Note the time change)

All other Sundays 9am

Funeral Notice.

Bill Crowley 19/05/1949 to 08/08/2026.



Loving husband of Judy, much loved father and father in law of Rosalie and Chris, Michael and Jo, and David and Frances and grandfather of 10 wonderful grandchildren.

Bill's funeral will be held on Friday 21st August at 2 pm at St. Laurence's. Anglican Church.

Chris Faulkner 30-11-1961 to 5-2-2026



Chris's burial of his ashes, in his father's grave, will be at Bingara Cemetery on Saturday 29th of this month at 11oclock followed by a celebration of his life at the RSL Club. If attending numbers are needed by the 24th for catering purposes please.

Saturday last was a successful morning with the visit from the Tamworth Councillors. The weather was reasonable, even though a bit chilly to start, but the sun was shining. Quite a few people turned up and talked with them and took advantage of our Cake Stall which we organised for the morning. The Historical Society has decided on a date for the bus trip around small school sites. It will be on Thursday, 8th October. One of the small school sites we will see on our planned bus trip will be where Brigalows School was situated. Unfortunately, there isn't much left there now.

Brigalows School.

In 1938 an attractive timber building of two rooms, joined by a breezeway, was built at "Brigalows" by Mr Ken Wilson, the then owner of the station. Heating was from a fireplace at the front of the classroom. It was originally a "subsidised school." The building was constructed by Mr Nat Hagan, a well-known building and shearing contractor in the district. Records dated 11th October, 1939 show that six boys and three girls were being taught; the teacher being Miss Beryl Heywood.

The school served an area that was roughly bounded by Wea, Breen, Coondarra and Trevallyn Stations. The school became a "provisional school" in 1947 and a qualified teacher was provided by the Department of Education. The first department provided teacher was Richard (Dick) Eather. Extensions, painting and repair works were carried out in 1962, providing additional accommodation for current and anticipated enrolments. The repair work included making the breezeway part of the main classroom and adding an enclosed verandah on the northern side. Also added, were two tanks, and a covered area with taps and enamel hand dishes (not basins). This work was undertaken by Irwin Brothers (Geoff & Ted) who camped at the front of the school in caravans.

In 1963 the school was upgraded to Public Primary School. It was during this year that the numbers attending the school began to decline. The school closed in 1972 with a final school concert and Christmas tree being held at the Shearers' Mess Hut at the Brigalows Woolshed. Remaining children were taken by bus to Barraba Central School from the beginning of 1973. When the Hays family sold Brigalows the school reserve was re-surveyed back into the property and the building was removed. The school flag had a white background with a red triangle under the word "BRIGALOWS"



Brigalows School 1947



Teacher, Bruce Morey with students



Brigalows School 1972

Another Editors oops

Corrected letter from Ron Bridges printed in last week's
Barraba Community News

Letter to the Editor

People who camp at the Lions Park, south of town, often write notes of appreciation and leave them in the donation box.

I'd like to quote from a recent message:

"We noticed what looks like locals are dumping their rubbish in the bins. Monday the bins were emptied and a young woman come by and dumped 2 large bags of rubbish in one bin and a gentleman dumped another large bag in the other. Just letting you know it's not the campers filling the bins up."

The bins at the Lions Park are provided so many people can each dispose of a small amount of rubbish. They are not for one or two people to fill with their week's garbage.

If you live in town and pay either rent or rates, go to the Council Office and arrange a garbage service. If you can't have a garbage service, then you will have to pay a fee each week to take your rubbish to the tip.

Yours

Ron Bridges, Lions Club of Barraba

Letter to the Editor

Nice to see the Councillors and staff from Tamworth Regional Council at the markets last Saturday. Although the crowd was small, it seemed to me most of the people present expressed their view and were in favour of the removal of the Plane trees in Queen Street.

We need a well-advertised, face to face visit from the Tamworth Regional Council person, or persons, who are in charge of Council's street trees to inform the concerned residents and community what is going to take place AND WHEN, regarding the damage that is being caused by the trees to the street and surrounds.

Yours faithfully

David York



MUDDY MAYHEM EVENT

The Aircooled Assembly have received confirmation that Tamworth Regional Council will not grant approval for the use of the Barraba Showground for our Muddy MAYhem event.

The Aircooled Assembly, along with those that have assisted along the way, have been invested in seeing this through to a result, and we are all obviously very disappointed with the outcome. We will take some time process, recharge and regroup to discuss the future of Muddy Mayhem. For right now, we need to focus on bringing you [Back to the Bush Auto Festival 2026](#).

So, what will we do with the trophy and major Muddy Mayhem 2026 raffle items?

This year, at [Back to the Bush Auto Festival](#), we'll see a show and shine car category just for Muddy Mayhem cars, just for this year. We invite those who entered a car in Muddy Mayhem 2025 + 2026 to bring their car to join the Muddy Mayhem car display. The winner will be presented with the Muddy Mayhem 2026 trophy. There will also be the opportunity to win the little 32 Croc Rod from [Croc Rodz](#), vintage painted esky by [AM Lines](#) and the grenade fire pit from [Bigbore industries](#) at Back to the Bush, more information on how to come.

Back to the Bush 2026 will be held on Saturday the 17th of October at the [Barraba Rsl & Rec Club](#), Barraba. It is our free community event which we hold each October. We feel adding the Muddy Mayhem car category is a great way to catch up with our car family and for you to see where the proceeds of Muddy Mayhem goes. Along with seeing each other's car improvements and additions, it will also be great to chat about what a Mudrun is and what it means to us.

The Team [Aircooled Assembly Inc](#)

New guide to help farmers comply with national environmental laws

The National Environmental Protection Agency is providing practical support to farmers and landholders with the release of a new guide to help them comply with Australia's national environment laws. 'Agriculture and the EPBC Act' sets out how the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (EPBC Act), Australia's main national environmental legislation, applies to common agricultural activities.

The National EPA administers the EPBC Act which protects and manages nationally and internationally important plants, animals, habitats and places. More than 2300 species and ecological communities are protected under the EPBC Act as scientific information has shown that they are threatened with extinction. The guide is designed to help farmers comply with the Act, including recent Australian Government reforms that mean that 'continuous use of the land' may no longer provide an exemption to compliance. These changes bring agriculture into line with other industries and provide greater protection for threatened species and habitat, including the Great Barrier Reef. The guide is the first industry guidance released by the recently established National EPA and forms part of the ongoing implementation of environmental law reforms.

National EPA CEO John Bradley said the new agency has an important role in educating and supporting the regulated community to comply with national environment laws. "Australia's unique plants and animals are central to our nation's identity, and fundamental to the health of our environment, community and economy," Mr Bradley said. "The guide responds to industry feedback and provides simple, practical guidance about EPBC Act requirements, including when further assessment, advice or approvals may be needed. We've been out on site with farmers and consulted widely with agriculture peak bodies, industry stakeholders, state-based environmental agencies and environmental researchers to ensure the guide is a valuable resource to landholders across the country. It's important to note most routine farming activities can continue as they always have. We recognise Australian farmers are some of our country's most committed environmental stewards. Maintaining and enhancing biodiversity on-farm supports sustainable production through pest control, soil conservation and improving water quality. The guide reinforces the National EPA's proportionate compliance approach which emphasises working constructively with those seeking to comply. Where unlawful or unapproved

clearing occurs, our response will be informed by behaviour and environmental harm, with strong enforcement reserved for deliberate breaches causing serious damage."

The guide complements existing resources, including online guidance material, case studies and stakeholder engagement activities undertaken by the National EPA. Landholders can also call the National EPA and speak to one of our experienced assessment managers on 1800 976 422. 'Agriculture and the EPBC Act' is available here: [Reforms to land clearing exemptions | nationalepa](#)



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Mobile Early Parenting Support



The Tresillian 2U Mobile Parenting Support Van will be at the
Bingara Toy Library Tuesday 11th August 2026
Bingara Toy Library Tuesday 25th August 2026
10.00am – 1.00pm

Please come along and have a yarn to our friendly Staff if you have any concerns about your child, we can assist you and provide advice and support in several areas including:

- Sleep & Settling Difficulties
- Breastfeeding & Bottle Feeding
 - Infant Nutrition
 - Toddler Behaviour
- Parent mental Health & Well Being
 - Caring for your Baby

To make an appointment please contact Leanne Kelly our AHW on 0460 930 496.

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At a glance

Your average bill by town

TAMWORTH - average \$3,615, up \$71 from last year

BARRABA - average \$2,576, up \$53 from last year

MANILLA - average \$2,561, up \$53 from last year

MOONBI / KOOTINGAL - \$2,405, up \$48 from last year

OTHER VILLAGES - \$1,713

FARMLAND - \$3,218



At a glance

Rates help

Having difficulty paying your rates?

Please get in touch to talk about a special payment arrangement early.

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At a glance

Total general rate income by town

TAMWORTH - \$35.049 million

BARRABA - \$568,001

MANILLA - \$868,083

MOONBI / KOOTINGAL - \$717,002

OTHER VILLAGES - \$349,745

FARMLAND - \$9.191 million

BUSINESSES - \$10.903 million



CONSERVING HERITAGE



Did you know Council has a Heritage Assistance Grant?

The Grant works as kickstarter funding, encouraging local property owners to undertake heritage conservation works.

Eligible works can include:

- Repairs and maintenance
- Restoration of verandahs, fences and roofs
- Reinstatement of heritage features
- Structural works and painting

Find out more and apply before Wednesday 19 August:

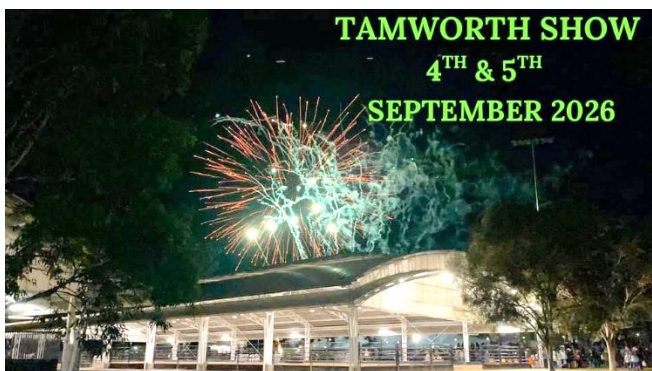
<http://www.tamworth.nsw.gov.au/.../2026-27-heritage..>



7.30 pm 20 August, Tamworth Town Hall

Their latest album, Australian Made, debuted at #1 on the ARIA Aussie Country Chart and snagged a whopping 5 Golden Guitars, including Album Of The Year and Group Of The Year. This brought their career total to 15 Golden Guitars, making The Wolfe Brothers the most awarded country rock group in the history of the awards. The Wolfies love playing live and for this new show they're mixing tunes from Australian Made with lots of fan favourites. With seven studio albums full of hits and a reputation for killer live shows, this one's a must see! The special guest artist is the amazing Abbie Ferris. Expect an awesome show! Book now!

Part of Tamworth Town Hall Opry and Revive Live – An Australian Government Initiative.



Enjoy a packed program of agricultural displays, horse and livestock events, sideshow rides, local stalls, live entertainment, and activities for all ages.

AT: Australian Equine and Livestock Events Centre (AELEC)



A man walked into a hardware store and picked up a can of fly spray.

"Is this good for wasps?" he asks the assistant.

To which she replies "No, it kills them."

A bus station is where a bus stops. A train station is where a train stops.

On my desk, I have a work station.



Capitol Theatre Tamworth

8 September: 6.00pm

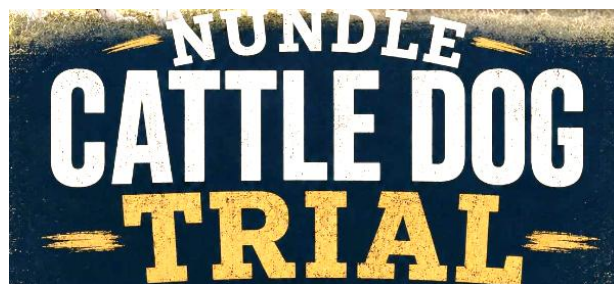
9 September: 9.30 am, 12.30 pm, 3.30 pm

From New York's Madison Square Garden to London's Royal Festival Hall, Bluey's Big Play has delighted fans across the globe – and now it returns home to Australia for an encore tour.

When Dad feels like a little bit of afternoon time out, Bluey and Bingo have other plans! Join them as they pull out all of the games and cleverness at their disposal to get Dad off that bean bag.

"A glorious celebration of everything you love about the show" ★★★★★ The Guardian

Bluey's Big Play is a theatrical adaptation of the Emmy® award-winning children's television series, with an original story by Bluey creator Joe Brumm, and new music by Bluey composer, Joff Bush. Join the Heelers in their first live theatre show made just for you, featuring brilliantly created puppets, this is Bluey as you've never seen it before, brought to real life.



Friday 28 August, Saturday 29 August

Taylors Lane, Nundle

Watch skilled handlers and their talented dogs put their teamwork, precision and stock-handling abilities to the test in both Open and Novice Trials. With quality cattle, excellent facilities and a canteen operating throughout the event, it's a fantastic day out for competitors, families and anyone with an interest in rural life. Spectators are warmly welcome, so come along and enjoy the excitement of one of Australia's great country traditions while supporting the local community.



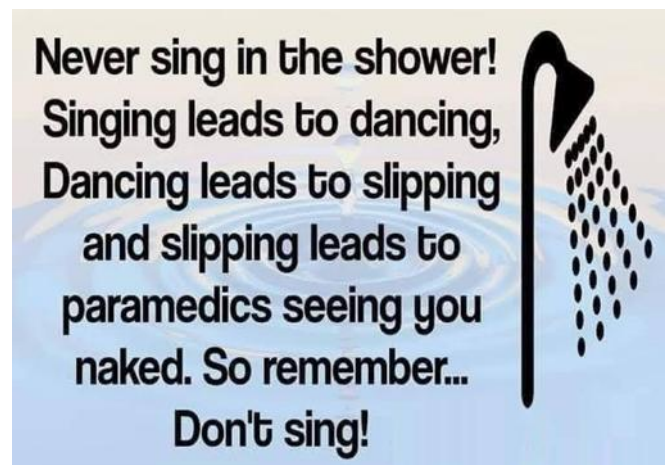
INFRASTRUCTURE GRANT PROGRAM NOW OPEN

Member for Northern Tablelands Brendan Moylan is encouraging not-for-profits, schools and local councils to put in their applications for infrastructure grants as part of the Clubgrants Category 3 program.

There are four streams of grants from \$50,000 to \$300,000 open to support community infrastructure, disaster readiness, sport and recreation, and arts and culture. Mr Moylan said various groups across the region have benefited from this program in the past and these projects have produced enormous benefits for their communities. "The program offers grants to communities across the region for building, renovating and fitting out infrastructure," he said. "Across the Northern Tablelands the Clubgrants program has made a huge impact on community groups and schools to improve infrastructure they otherwise would not have had the funding for. The most recent round of Clubgrants saw \$300,000 delivered to Macintyre High School's P and C to overhaul their outdoor basketball courts which will benefit the entire community. Projects must be accessible and available to the public most of the time and I would encourage all organisations with a plan to pull together an application and put their hand up for funding. Please contact my electorate office for a letter of support."

Round one of the Clubgrants Category 3 Infrastructure Grants opened on Monday, 27 July and applications will close on Monday, 17 August.

For more information and to apply, visit <https://www.nsw.gov.au/grants-and-funding/clubgrants-category-3-fund>



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Barraba Rugby Union Report

On Saturday, 8 August, the Barraba Rams travelled to Armidale to take on Robb College. The men were the only Rams side to take the field, with the Robb women forfeiting earlier in the week.

Barraba received from the kick-off, but an early turnover handed possession straight back to Robb. Two penalties in quick succession allowed the home side to work their way downfield, and it wasn't long before they crossed for the opening try, taking an early 7–0 lead. Barraba responded well. An exceptional kick from Cody Townsend, backed up by great pressure from Pat Newton, forced a Robb knock-on and gave the Rams possession. After a few phases, five-eighth Brandon Newell put a clever kick over the defensive line, finding grass just short of the Robb try line. Pressure from Corey Jordan and Jarrod Petrus forced another Robb error, giving Barraba a scrum just five metres out.

With the scrum evenly matched, Barraba shifted the ball through the backs before bringing the forwards back into play, where No. 8 Dan Kelly barged his way over for the Rams' first points of the afternoon. The conversion was unsuccessful, leaving Robb ahead 7–5. The next 10 minutes saw some scrappy rugby from both sides and plenty of scrum work. Eventually, a Robb-fed scrum gave their backline an opportunity, with their No. 12 wrapping around, finding a gap and crossing under the posts. The conversion was unsuccessful, extending Robb's lead to 12–5.

Barraba continued to work their way into the contest and eventually found themselves deep inside Robb's 22. Repeated infringements and a questionable tackle saw the referee reach into his pocket, reducing Robb to 14 men with a yellow card.

The Rams took some time to make the extra-man advantage count, but a clever chip over the ruck from Luke Smith — playing his **200th game** — helped keep Robb under pressure. Another penalty for not releasing just five metres from the line gave Pat Newton his opportunity. Thinking quickly, Newton took the tap himself and reached over the line for Barraba's second try.

Tom Croll slotted the conversion to level the scores at **12-all heading into half-time**.

Robb started the second half strongly, forcing Barraba to defend for the opening five minutes. Some quick hands eventually created space out wide, with Robb crossing in the corner before adding an impressive sideline conversion to regain the lead.

Barraba weren't going away. The Rams worked their way back downfield and found touch just five metres from Robb's line. From the resulting set piece, the Barraba forwards showed their strength, driving a powerful maul over the line and giving the youngest player in the side, **Khadyn Mason, a well-earned 5 points**. The conversion couldn't be added, leaving Robb with the narrowest of leads at **19–17**.

The final 30 minutes became a genuine arm wrestle. Scrums, lineouts and close calls came at both ends of the field, but neither side could find a way through the other's defence.

When the final whistle sounded, Robb held on to claim a narrow **19–17 victory**.

Despite the result, the Barraba boys continue to show improvement every time they take the field. With just two games remaining in the season, that progress will be imperative as they look to finish the year strongly — and is a promising sign heading into next season.

Tries

Daniel Kelly
Patrick Newton
Khadyn Mason

Conversions

Tom Croll

Points

3 – Khadyn Mason
2 – Jarrod Petrus
1 – Cody Townsend
1 – Pat Newton

Players' Player

Pat Newton

This weekend, the Rams men travel to **Walcha** for their second-last game of the season and their final away game, with kick-off at **3:15pm**.

The Barraba women will enjoy another weekend off as they prepare for the **final game of the regular season at home on 22 August**.

With the season nearing its end, get behind the Rams as they look to finish 2026 on a high! ❤️ ❤️ 🐏

Thinking of posting pictures of your child online? Ask these 4 questions first

Lauri Parr, Research Associate, School of Population Health, Curtin University



Parents, schools and clubs regularly post images of children to social media platforms and websites.

While this may support connection with family and friends, promote school or sports activities or celebrate children's achievements, there can be unintended consequences.

In its latest advice, the eSafety Commissioner notes how the rise of AI tools has "significantly escalated" safety risks around sharing photos and videos online.

On Tuesday, the eSafety Commissioner said it had seen a rise in reports of imagery harvested from school social media accounts or websites being used in AI-generated abuse.

What role do trusted adults play in making children visible online? And what should parents think about before they post images of their kids?

What are the rules?

Legally, parents can post almost any photo of their child online and authorise others to do the same. Abusive or exploitative photos are still subject to criminal law. But an average embarrassing moment likely falls short of "serious harm" outlined by the Online Safety Act.

But while Australian privacy laws treat these photos and videos primarily as personal information (and so up to parents to decide), research increasingly recognises the situation is more complex. In an old family album, a photo records a private memory. Online, it constructs a public identity.

Policy-makers are also starting to recognise that children's right to participate in decisions applies to images shared online, particularly as they can remain there indefinitely.

France now requires parents to involve children in decisions about how they are portrayed online. New Spanish legislation gives more weight to protecting a child's reputation than a parent's right to expression.

The risks need consideration

Any photo can be edited into a nude photo, circulated on platforms as cyberbullying, used for sexual extortion, or amplified to wider audiences through algorithms.

A 2026 Adelaide University study suggests AI is used in one in four cases of image-based child sexual abuse. Yet public awareness is still low. For example, a 2026 eSafety Commissioner survey found only 11% of parents had spoken to their child about how generative AI can be used or misused.

The Australian Federal Police stresses the importance of education and awareness for parents, rather than fear.

Parents can take practical steps to protect their children's safety when posting photos. This includes avoiding school logos, street names and front doors in photos posted online, and not including children's names, ages and school years in captions.

In its new advice, eSafety also outlines how schools can safely share images by making conscious decisions that consider risks alongside potential benefits. Who is able to see this photo? What does the photo add? Are close ups needed?

Kids say they feel powerless

It is important to take these measures seriously because the consequences could be severe. However, that does not mean they are likely. The Adelaide University survey found 6.4% of those under 18 had experienced non-consensual image sharing.

Yet there is also a more widespread form of harm: lack of consent.

The Australian Information Commissioner suggests 86% of surveyed primary school children experienced a friend or parent sharing a photo they didn't want shared.

Children have reported these experiences cause them to feel embarrassed, powerless and misrepresented. Research with First Nations children suggests greater control over how they are represented online supports positive identity and connection.

What can you ask yourself before posting online?

There is no single rule to determine whether an image should be shared. But we can gain useful guidance from the

United Nations agency for children's advice on media coverage and the Centre of Excellence for the Digital Child's Manifesto for a Better Children's Internet.

Based on these, and my decade of experience making images with children around the world, these four questions guide my thinking.

1. Why am I sharing this? Who is it really for?

Parents may post in the moment without thinking much about it. Or think lots about what their photos say about them.

Maybe your child is in fancy dress for a party, and you're proud of their hairstyle or in hysterics at how badly it turned out.

Pause and ask yourself: who is the audience? What am I hoping this post communicates, and is that more about me or my child?

Your friends having a chuckle may not be in the child's best interests. But if the child wants everyone to see their hair, posting could support their pride. You could exclude their face as an optional precaution.

2. What is the post saying about this child?

A photo of the kids pulling funny faces at the beach may seem like a pretty average image. But what else could it say without context?

If there has been a bit of bother at school lately, and others might see a lack of seriousness. If there has been a recent ADHD diagnosis, the image may enforce the stereotype of disruption. Or maybe they've experienced bullying, and this is a precious reminder they have pals.

We can't control what people think. But we can ask the child about what's going on in their world to consider the impact on them and clarify what we mean with captions.

3. What happens once the image leaves my hands?

This is a difficult question to answer, as we don't always have control over what happens to something once, we post it online, or know how technology will evolve in future.

Ask yourself, who can currently access, download or screenshot the image? Could it be copied, repurposed or edited?

If your child later reconsiders their consent and doesn't want it online, do the platform's settings allow you to delete it?

4. Does this image need to be made public, or could it be shared a different way?

Perhaps you can just message the picture to a private family chat or group with friends. Or print a copy for your child to share with theirs or treasure themselves.



The main ore pit at the Woodsreef Asbestos Mine as it was on the afternoon of 2nd August 2026. A Brian Coote photo