

## NAIDOC Family Fun Day returns to Warrawong!

**NAIDOC Family Fun Day** is back again bigger and better than ever on Tuesday 4th July 2023, this time in a new location – Darcy Wentworth Park in Warrawong

The event will be attended by local services including Barnardos Australia, Illawarra Legal Centre, Warrawong Fire Station, Warrawong Residents Forum, and Coomaditchie United Aboriginal Cooperation, Care South, Lake Illawarra Police, Wollongong City Council, Mission Australia, Care South and Department of Communities and Justice.

**NAIDOC Week 2023** runs from 2-9 July to recognise and celebrate the rich history and diversity of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures.

This year's theme – ***For Our Elders*** – acknowledges the important role that Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Elders have played and continue to play in family and community.

**NAIDOC Family Fun Day** is a drug and alcohol-free event and will feature a Welcome to Country and Smoking Ceremony performed by respected local Elders. There will be entertainment including singers, dancers, didgeridoo players and other musical performances.

It will be a fun day for the whole family with a free BBQ, arts and crafts, children's activities, information stalls and giveaways. Members of the local community are invited to come along and celebrate Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture and meet their local services.

<b>WHAT:</b>	NAIDOC Week Family Fun Day
<b>WHY:</b>	Celebrate Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Culture and meet local services including staff from Barnardos South Coast.
<b>WHEN:</b>	Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> July 2023
<b>HOURS:</b>	10am-1pm
<b>WHERE:</b>	Darcy Wentworth Park, 33 Carlotta Crescent, Warrawong, NSW

***Maria Corsiglia – Barnardos South Coast Centre Manager*** is available for media interviews prior to the event and on the day.

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