

NAIDOC Week

Year 12

Graduation

CLASS OF 2023

Date: Saturday 9th September 2023

Time: Doors open from 4.00pm for a 5:00pm start

Venue: Bloomfield Community Hall

Please confirm your place by:

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For Our Elders, Bobbi Lockyer

Where there is knowledge there are our Elders. Our Elders paved the pathways for us, taught us our knowledge, our history, they passed down their art, stories and wisdom. Our Elders are the foundation of our particles and the foundation of our particles.



Orange NAIDOC Week 2023



In 2023, the Orange NAIDOC Week Committee will host a Year 12 Graduation for all the students in the Orange area that identify as Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander and who are completing their HSC in 2023

In the past, the NAIDOC Week Committee has recognized students completing their HSC by presenting them with a Completion of Year 12 award and certificate. This has been presented at the Orange NAIDOC Week Opening Ceremony and at school assemblies. We want to make it more formal in 2023 which is why the Year 12 Graduation has been organized.

The Graduation will be held at the Bloomfield Community Hall, which is withing the Orange Hospital/Bloomfield Hospital precinct on Park Drive.

The evening will include:

- a Welcome to Country
- A Smoking Ceremony
- Indigenous Dances
- Indigenous Music
- Exhibition of Indigenous Art Work (email/call if you or someone you know would like to display artwork. A callout for artwork will be sent out.)
- 3 Course Meal—entrees, main, dessert
- Year 12 Award Presentations

The theme for NAIDOC Week 2023 is '**For Our Elders**'. To acknowledge our Elders in the Orange community, they will be invited to present the awards to our Year 12 students on the night.

This will be a special night and hopefully a very spiritual and cultural event. As such, the dress code will be semi-formal so please no thongs, shorts, singlets, etc.

For more information please contact Corey by email at bangamalanhagulbanha@gmail.com or by phone on 0434 980 252.

