

UPPER HUNTER MINING DIALOGUE



School Mine Tours

Upper Hunter mine sites and their rehabilitation programs are becoming giant, outdoor classrooms for local students.

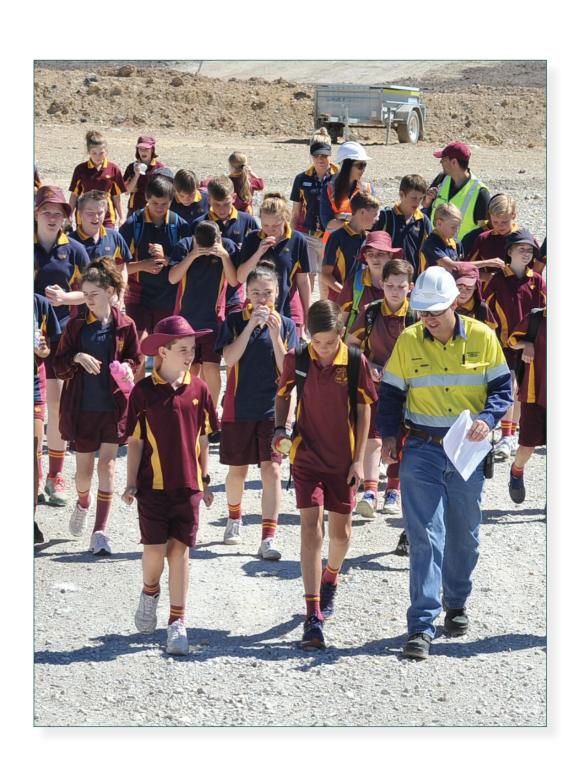
About 1000 students each year will tour mine and rehabilitation sites as part the Upper Hunter Mining Dialogue School Mine Tours Project.

The Dialogue project offers tours to Years 5 and 9 students from all primary and secondary schools in the Muswellbrook-Singleton area.

The tours project aims to educate youth on the impacts and benefits of mining in the Upper Hunter as part of the Dialogue's role to foster communication between the mining industry and the community.

As part of the School Mine Tours Program, a Dialogue Working Group, made up of industry, community, education and local government representatives, has also developed

educational material which teachers can use in the classroom to instruct students on the impacts of mining, how mining benefits their day to day life as well as how sites are rehabilitated as mining progresses.



The Dialogue was formed in 2011 as a collaboration between the mining industry and community to lessen the impacts of mining and acts as a link between the industry and community through ongoing conversation.