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NAIDOC COMMUNITY FLAG RAISING CELEBRATION

Celebrate NAIDOC week in Tenterfield Shire: 4 - 11 July 2021

NAIDOC week celebrates the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples in our community each year.

To celebrate the occasion in 2021 Tenterfield Shire Council are hosting an official flag raising ceremony in Bruxner Park, Tenterfield. The flag raising ceremony is being held in conjunction with Moombahlene Local Aboriginal Committee Inc. The event is being held on Monday, 12 July 2021 commencing at 10am, with damper and bush tea provided.

This event is a great opportunity to participate and support our local Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community.

This year's adage "*Heal Country, heal our nation*", recognises that when we talk about country we are talking about family, kin, lores, ceremonies, traditions and language.

This year we are coming together to celebrate country and reflect on how we can protect and maintain all aspects of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture and heritage for our community.

"*Healing Country*" includes greater management, involvement and empowerment by Indigenous peoples over country. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are spiritually and culturally connected to country – we need to continue to embrace cultural knowledge, values and increase our understanding.

Join us in coming together to unite and continue to celebrate Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities, nations and heritage and to reflect on how to strengthen healing country, healing our nation. We are passionate about sharing and celebrating NAIDOC week for 2021 to promote greater awareness and understanding of Aboriginal history and culture within our community.

All attendees must adhere to current COVID-19 rules and restrictions.