

Muloobinbah Local AECG/ Kotara Lambton School Community acknowledges the Awabakal people, the traditional custodians of our area, and pay respect to Elders past and present and acknowledge the diversity of local histories and connections to other Aboriginal people who walk on Awabakal land.

This partnership agreement:

- Is built on mutual respect and recognises an equal partnership. It is a meaningful document which underpins our working together for better outcomes for Aboriginal students and communities.
- Builds on the achievements of Aboriginal people recognising that these achievements are enhanced by schools, communities and Aboriginal families working together.
- Embodies clear and specific commitments for what we are going to do and how we are going to do it we commit to accountability for all stakeholders to consult and provide support.
- Strengthens relationships between AECG and local schools that are open, respectful and rigorous whilst maintaining the integrity of each group's commitment to Aboriginal Education.
- Establishes a genuine collaborative relationship in order to provide our Aboriginal students with choices, freedom and opportunities to achieve their best educational outcomes and enhanced life opportunities.
- Is critically important in fostering collaboration between Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal people in promoting better understanding of our shared history, respect and acceptance of both cultures and recognition of the unique place Aboriginal people have in this country.
- Enhances leadership and support for schools to engage students in a diverse range of programs (leadership for everyone and capacity building for students, staff and communities).
- Is to be strongly communicated in essence and implications to all stakeholders.
- Holds the highest expectations for our Aboriginal students, for ourselves and for our communities.
- Recognises the critical need to work together, across schools and communities, to achieve the aspirations and potential of Aboriginal learners.

This Partnership Agreement continues to build on the very close relationship that the former Hunter Central Coast Region already enjoys with the Hunter Regional Aboriginal Education Consultative Group Inc and we commit to the principles and intent of the Partnership Agreement between the Hunter Regional Aboriginal Education Consultative Group Inc and the former Hunter Central Coast Region of the Department of Education and Training.