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# Media Release:

## Clontarf Foundation boys experience 'Day in the life of'

Dalby High School students were miners for a day at Yancoal Australia's Cameby Downs Coal Mine, as part of the site's partnership with the Clontarf Foundation.

Donning high-vis and safety gear, the five boys were trucked into the open cut pit to experience life at the coalface and gain an insight to a possible future career in the resources sector.

Cameby Downs Coal Operations Manager Neil Reynoldson welcomed the opportunity to show off the mine and demonstrate the range of trades and opportunities available.

"The Clontarf Foundation play a positive and active role in the community running a program that assists young boys to achieve through education and opportunities.

"You can see the boys are developing solid skills on the program through education, mentoring and their peer support. We are proud to be involved with the Clontarf team and pleased we can offer a hands-on experience to open their minds to a possible career in mining.

"Our team get a lot from having the boys on site and we are strongly committed to ongoing support and involvement with the Clontarf Foundation," said Neil.

The day started with an induction session, where the boys learned the importance of health and safety in the workplace, followed by various talks with members of the Cameby Downs team about mining, the operation, coal production, maintenance and environmental management.

The day included tours of the mine pit, workshop and coal wash plant and train loadout to observe the entire mining process.

Clontarf Foundation, Dalby Academy, Director Tom Hine said, "All our fellas enjoyed the day. Experiences like these are vital to get our young men thinking about their future so they are ready for work when they graduate Year 12 and can go on to lead meaningful lives. We truly appreciate Yancoal Australia's effort to make it such a great event."

Yancoal is a national sponsor of The Clontarf Foundation via its Community Support Program, aiming to make a positive difference in the communities and lives of the people who work and live in the areas it operates.

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### **About The Clontarf Foundation**

- The Clontarf Foundation exists to improve the education, discipline, life skills, self-esteem and employment prospects of young Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander men and by doing so equips them to participate meaningfully in society.
- Since opening its first Academy for 25 boys in 2000 the Foundation has grown to cater for over 6,500 boys in 97 schools across Western Australia, Northern Territory, Victoria, New South Wales and Queensland.