

“WALLARAH 2 GRANT FUNDING FOR MENTORS TRAINING”

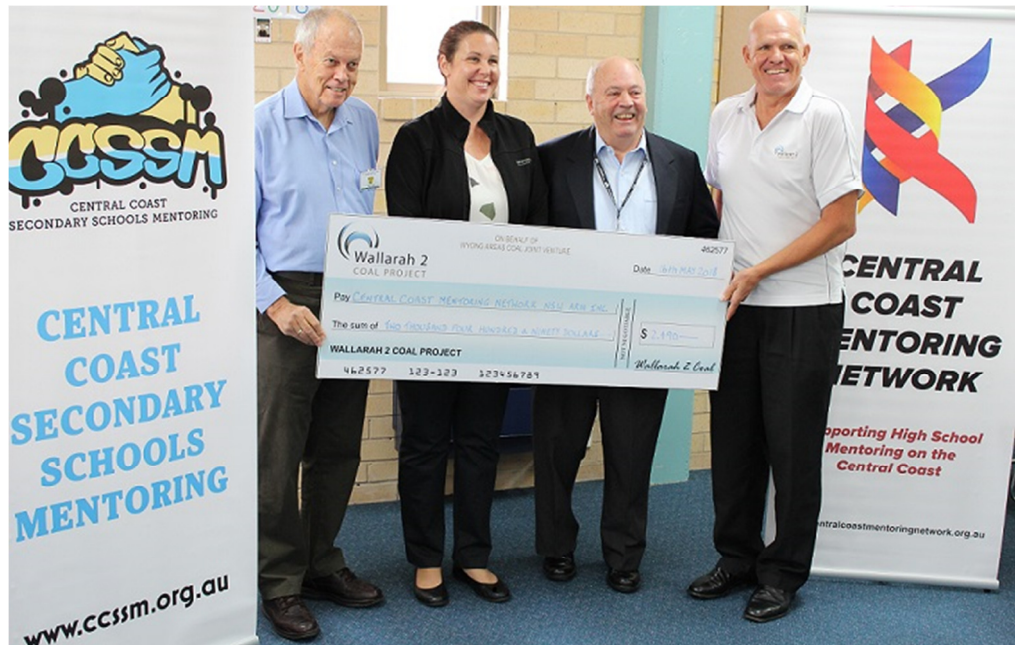
The Central Coast Mentoring program has been successfully guiding Year 10 students on the Coast since 1999. The program, which relies on volunteers, provides the opportunity to the mentee to benefit from the life skills and experience of a mentor and to open their minds to employment opportunities that their background and circumstances may not have provided.

“The program has equipped many school leavers with the self-esteem and confidence to go on to further education to achieve their career goals and ultimately become responsible and productive members of the community”, said Richard Kennedy, President of the Central Coast Mentoring Network.

“With the increasing population on the Central Coast, the need for more mentors has become necessary. There are six high schools in the program, but others are waiting to join when additional mentors are available”, added Richard.

“We are very grateful for the continued support from Wallarah 2. These grant funds will not only provide training for new mentors but will assist us with the upskilling of our existing mentors” said Richard. Currently we have 65 mentors with an additional 25 new mentors to be trained in June 2018 and a further 30 in February 2019.

Peter Allonby, General Manager of Wallarah 2 said, “It is a pleasure to support Central Coast Mentoring Network and we are honoured to be able to provide the funds to ensure the volunteer mentors are armed with the skills they need to continue to talk to, support and mentor young people right here on the Central Coast.”



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