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## **RUGBY LEAGUE LEGEND, LAURIE DALEY TO VISIT OAK FLATS PUBLIC SCHOOL**

AUSTAR for Schools is excited to announce that Rugby League legend and FOX SPORTS commentator Laurie Daley will be travelling to schools in regional New South Wales as part of the AUSTAR for schools Sports Month in September.

Laurie Daley along with experienced coaches from Australian Rugby League Development (ARLD) and Country Rugby League (CRL) will be visiting schools and providing professional rugby league clinics and healthy lifestyle assemblies for lucky students at Oak Flats Public School on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> of September. ARLD and CRL are committed to delivering a variety of high quality rugby league experiences for both boys and girls at the grass roots level. The clinics teach students about a sensible approach to a healthy lifestyle, and ensure a positive rugby league experience through fun practical sessions.

FOX SPORTS Commentator and former Rugby League International Laurie Daley said he is proud to be involved in the AUSTAR for schools program.

“The AUSTAR for schools program is such a fantastic community initiative which reaches Australia-wide and benefits schools in regional areas,” said Daley.

“Being a country boy myself, I know how much the kids enjoy getting amongst the activities and I’m really looking forward to getting down to the South Coast to work with the local kids.”

The AUSTAR for Schools Sports Month is proudly supported by FOX SPORTS and is an expansion of the existing curriculum based schools program including a subscription of 20 educational channels provided to schools in the AUSTAR service area free of charge. The program also includes exciting extracurricular activities with AUSTAR personalities visiting schools across the country helping to inspire students and further bring education to life as well as making learning fun.

One of the main objectives of the AUSTAR for schools program is to recognise and support the important issues and interests of the students, teachers, parents and wider community from a grassroots education perspective and address these with initiatives that are in line with the core values of the AUSTAR brand.

Upon completion of each school visit AUSTAR for schools will present a \$2000 grant to the participating school, to be used by the school towards educational and sporting resources for their students.

AUSTAR believes that quality education for regional Australian children is integral to the bright future of Australia and AUSTAR for schools is our way of making a positive contribution to this future.

#### **AUSTAR for schools channels**

- The History channel
- Discovery Channel
- National Geographic Channel
- The Weather Channel
- Sky News Australia
- ABC 1
- SBS
- BBC World News
- CNN
- The Lifestyle Channel
- Lifestyle Food Channel
- Ovation
- Discovery Travel and Living
- Discovery Home and Health
- Discovery Science
- Aurora Community Television
- National Indigenous Television
- Sky News Business
- Animal Planet

To find out more about the AUSTAR for schools program and the other exciting interactive activities planned for 2009, visit the AUSTAR for schools website [www.schools.austar.com.au](http://www.schools.austar.com.au)

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