

## SCHOOL MINE TOURS

**Bulga Mine became a giant classroom for locals students as part of Upper Hunter Mining Dialogue's School Mine Tours Program.**



About 1000 students each year will tour mine and rehabilitation sites as part of the School Mine Tours Program – Bulga Mine hosted students from Singleton public School.

The Dialogue program offers tours to Years 5 and 9 students from primary and secondary schools in the Muswellbrook-Singleton area.

The Tours program aims to educate youth on the impacts and benefits of mining in the Upper Hunter as part of the Dialogues role to foster communication between the mining industry and the community.

As part of the School Mine Tours Program, a Dialogue Working Group, made up of industry, community, education and local government representatives, has developed education material which teachers can use in the classroom to instructs students on the impacts of mining, how mining benefits their day to day life as well as how sites are rehabilitated as mining progresses.

The Dialogue was formed in 2011 as a collaboration between the mining industry and community to lessen the impacts of mining and acts as a link between the industry and community through ongoing conversation