Tocal College celebrates its annual Foundation Day on Friday, 4 November. The day provides an opportunity to commemorate the establishment of the College, the wonderful bequest of the Tocal property by CB Alexander and the late EA Hunt for his energy and drive to bring CB Alexander’s vision to reality.

This year’s Foundation Day celebrates future farmers. Principal Darren Bayley said he is excited to have four guest speakers who are doing wonderful work across NSW in growing the farmers of tomorrow. “We know agriculture has a bright and prosperous future in this country, but we need to work with young people from an early age to take hold of these opportunities and develop their skills and knowledge in a range of areas from animal husbandry and agronomy, through to precision agriculture and agribusiness management” said Mr Bayley.

This year guests will hear from Ben Stockwin the Chief Executive Officer of the Primary Industries Education Foundation Australia, Geoff Smith of Narromine Rotary who coordinates cropping tours and agronomy camps for young people, Mia Mackay on the Young Farmers Business Project and Michelle Fifield on the NSW DPI schools program.

Principal Bayley said he also looks forward to awarding Cameron Archer medal for the first time at Foundation Day which recognises outstanding service to agricultural education and training in Australia.

Foundation Day starts with a tour of the Tocal Dairy from 10:30am and an overview of developments at the dairy and in the industry at large. Formal proceedings begin at 1pm in the EA Hunt Hall.

Those who have an interest in the College are welcome to attend Foundation Day but need to phone and advise of their intentions. Phone Robyn Papworth on 4939 8865.

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