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### **TasWater's, 'It's time to change the world' poster prize winners**

Winners in TasWater's annual Water Week Poster Competition have been announced with prizes presented at presentation events around the state.

Students from 29 primary schools across the state entered the competition, with TasWater receiving more than 500 entries.

The National Water Week theme for this year is, 'It's time to change the world.'

TasWater's Community Engagement Officer Kate Beard said it's been encouraging to see the level of participation by schools in our sixth annual poster competition.

"With the current awareness of many environmental challenges facing our local and global community, our poster competition shows young Tasmanians are carefully thinking about the importance water plays in our everyday lives."

"Here in Tasmania it is easy to take our flushing toilets, running taps and hot showers for granted but across the globe, 2.1 billion people lack access to safe, readily available drinking water."

"As always, the judging isn't easy, and everyone who entered should be very proud of their work," Kate said.

Hobart area students, Priya Bowering from Lauderdale Primary (grades 5 & 6); Spencer Cartledge from Sacred Heart Geeveston (prep) and Ula Lagden (grades 3 & 4) from Southern Christian College all received a first prize for their posters.

Nicoleta Glynatsis from Princes Street Primary won second prize (grades 1 & 2) with Charlotte Rickards from Eastside Lutheran College (prep) and James Sargent from Fairview Primary in New Norfolk (grades 1 & 2) winning third prize.

In Launceston, first prize was awarded to Jake Adams from Mowbray Heights Primary School (grades 1 & 2).

Aahritik Gautam (grades 5 & 6) and Charlotte Adams (grades 3 & 4) also from Mowbray Heights Primary School won second prize in their respective categories, with Lyncoln Burton from Cape Barron Island District High School (grades 5 & 6) winning third prize.

North West Coast student Gwyn Mason from Cooe Primary School was awarded second prize in the prep grade category while Aditi Kiran from Leighland Christian School (grades 3 & 4) took out third prize.

Further success for the North West Coast with Spreyton Primary School winning this year's inaugural random prize of \$250, open to every school which enters TasWater's poster competition.

The students' posters will be on display at the Glenorchy, Rosny, New Norfolk, Burnie, Launceston and Bridport Libraries and the Devonport Regional Gallery.

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