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Announcing National Water Week poster winners

Students from Lindenow, Noorinbee and Bairnsdale Christian Community schools are the East Gippsland region winners in this year's National Water Week poster competition.

A poster competition targeted at primary school students is coordinated each year by VicWater – the peak body for water businesses in Victoria – to raise awareness of water as our most precious resource.

The winners, who especially impressed the judges with their imaginative posters conveying the importance of water in our lives are:

•	Grade Prep	Denny Counsell, Lindenow Primary School
•	Grades 1-2	Abbey Hutton, Bairnsdale Christian Community School
•	Grades 3-4	Chelsea Filmer, Noorinbee Primary School
•	Grades 5-6	Shanise Mongta, Noorinbee Primary School

In addition, congratulations go to the runners-up: Tanner McMillan and Tyler Rouse, Gippsland Grammar – Grade Prep; Samuel Pike, Bairnsdale Christian Community School - Grades 1-2; Kate Edwards, Buchan Primary School – Grades 1-2; Angela Ellis and Sophie Ciaglia, Lindenow Primary School – Grades 3-4; Lucy Dellar and Laura Hickey, Gippsland Grammar – Grades 5-6.

The poster competition is coordinated statewide each year by VicWater – the peak body for water businesses in Victoria.

Said East Gippsland Water's Managing Director, Bruce Hammond: "The standard of entries in this year's competition has once again been excellent. It's encouraging to see how well informed our younger residents are about the importance of using water efficiently and its environmental significance. This owes a great deal to the work being put in by local schools to help maintain and increase awareness."

The corporation is presenting the competition winners and their schools with their prizes this week and each participant is also receiving a certificate.

The region's winning posters are now on display at our Bairnsdale office, 133 Macleod Street. In addition, all the entries can be viewed on our website www.egwater.vic.gov.au.

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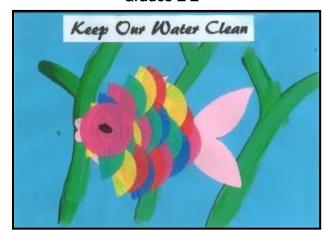
East Gippsland's winning posters

Grade Prep



By: Denny Counsell Lindenow Primary School

Grades 1-2



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