

MEDIA RELEASE



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Water Aware Presentation Night

A great success

A schools leadership program supported by the Smart Water Fund.

Water Aware is a schools leadership program supported by the Smart Water Fund. The gala presentation evening was held at the Leongatha Secondary College last week.

Twenty-eight students took part in the program with a focus on all aspects of water within their community. The aim of the program is to give students an overview of water, where it comes from, who uses it in the community, and where it goes.

The Water Aware student teams for 2010 were;

Leongatha Secondary

Genevieve Scholte, Jessica Clark, Kodi Eygenraam, Sophie Clarkson, Matt Chalmers, Chloe Tebbutt, Taylah Darmanin, Helena Brew, Jessica Clark, Sarah McCahon, Rebecca Dowthwaite, Bianca Boadle, Adam Davison, Anna McCracken

Saint Laurence O'Toole Primary School

Mitchell Hansen, Caitlin Charles, Hayley Norton, Charlie McInnes,

Tarwin Valley Primary School

Catherine Beaton, Rory Harrington, Will Collins, Milly James, Alice Ball

South Coast Christian College

Annie Elliott, Bree McRae, Jackie Page, Esther Hibma

The program is funded through South Gippsland Water and the Smart Water Fund and uses Kath Herbert as education facilitator.

The whole water picture in the area would not be possible without the assistance of guest speakers - Skye Radcliffe Scott from South Gippsland Shire, Jennifer Donolan from Murray Goulburn, and South Gippsland Water's Graeme Watkins, Ken Prain, Robert Cook and Geoff McGinn.

The presentation evening was a great success, James Fawcett, Mayor South Gippsland Shire and Llew Vale chairman of South Gippsland Water presented the students with their certificates with over one hundred people attending. The range of presentations included;

An overview of the program
Bugs in water
Water Treatment
Water at the reservoir
Meeniyon Sewerage Scheme
Waste Water Treatment
Septic tanks and soil
Murray Goulburn – commercial water use.

