

Tasmanian school wins Future Sparks award

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A video made by a small primary school from a tiny town in northern Tasmania has won the major prize in the Green Cross Australia-organised <u>Future Sparks</u> competition.



Table Cape Primaryís Connor Hookway and Jamieson House spent three months producing their winning video entry.

Run by <u>Green Cross Australia</u> in partnership with CSIRO and the Clean Energy Council, the Future Sparks competition is a web-based resource inviting video and written entries from primary schools that shares ideas for a sustainable energy future. Future Sparks is supported by the Department of Climate Change and Energy Efficiency

Mara Bun, CEO of Green Cross Australia, said the aim of the project was to tickle the imagination of students and get them thinking and talking about energy sources and applications for the future that will help manage greenhouse gas emissions.

"We are so impressed with the response, both the command of the video format and the creativity the students have shown," Mara said.

Connor and Jamieson were presented their winning award on 17 August, 2012, at a ceremony in the Australian capital, Canberra, hosted by Questacon and held as part of National Science Week celebrations.

State finalists were invited to Canberra for the cutting edge award ceremony, streamed live on the internet, with Western Australian schools joining in via video conference.

Parliamentary Secretary for Climate Change and Energy Efficiency Mark Dreyfus presented the awards and said it was fantastic to see such creative ways to show how Australians can cut carbon pollution.

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