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# 2021 'International Year of Fruit and Vegetables' Queensland DAF Hermitage Research Facility Schools Plant Science Competition (PBSF032)

### *Project Leader, Organisation*

Kerrie Rubie, Queensland Department of Agriculture and Fisheries

### *Status*

Contracting

### *Background*

The Queensland DAF Hermitage Research Facility Schools Plant Science Competition offers engaging ways for students to gain understanding and skills in key areas identified within the Australian Science Curriculum. Encouraging the next generation of people who will be involved in agriculture and rural industries as scientists, farmers (and a range of roles in between) is crucial to how we will face the future and is a key purpose of the competition.

The competition is highly regarded amongst educationalists and attracts between 100-200 schools from across Australia annually and over its 23-year history has reached over 105,000 students (from years prep to twelve).

The Foundation was also pleased to support the Plant Science competition in 2019 and 2020 (PBSF007, PBSF021)

### *Objectives and impact*

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
This is achieved, not only by students partaking in the competition's hands-on experiments and activities, but also through extended programs and support offered including Queensland-wide student workshops, school visits by DAF scientists and staff, the annual Awards Day & Ag Science Expo and a large range of prizes including scholarships to attend industry conferences and agricultural science camps.


Our 2021 competition will focus on 'Fruit & Vegetables' in celebration of the International Year of Fruit and Vegetables. Students will engage in a series of activities including experimental investigations to explore factors that affect plant health and will perform extra research into the importance of protecting plant health for global food security. Links between agriculture and the entire food system will also be examined together with nutritional and health benefits and sustainable farming practices. Participating students will develop skills in scientific method and will develop a broader understanding and interest in plant health, breeding, pathology, invasive pests and biosecurity with the possibility of considering further studies and careers in this field.

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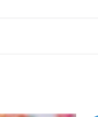



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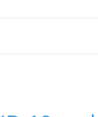
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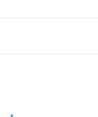
The COVID-19 pandemic combined with the lockdown measures have impacted the lifestyle and health behavior of the population, including their food consumption behavior. This issue of the Global Fruit & [...]



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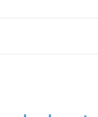
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604 Yangan Road, Warwick, Queensland, Australia, 27/01/2021 - 25/06/2021


The 2021 DAF Hermitage Research Facility Schools Plant Science Competition, currently in its 25th year, is celebrating the International Year of Fruit and Vegetables by asking students (in years P [...])



### Actions and interventions to increase fruit and vegetables consumption

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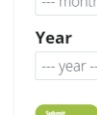
Due to the protective effect of daily consumption of fruit and vegetables on health, promoting their consumption is the cornerstone of global nutrition policies. This issue of the Global Fruit [...]



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The program "C'est bon à savoir" deciphers the health benefits of consuming fruits and vegetables and analyzes how they are grown, without forgetting to talk about the environment. Decryption of [...]



### International Year of Fruits and Vegetables, 2021 Launch event

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Each year, STAQ runs the successful **Queensland Science Contest**, a statewide science competition that feeds winning entries into the national competition, the **BHP Foundation Science and Engineering Awards**, which then feeds winners into the international competition. But what other fairs and competitions exist around Australia for Queensland's keen science students?

Do you know of an open science fair or competition we should add to the list? **Let us know about it!**

### SCIENCE FAIRS

Student entries to science fairs around the state are also welcome in the Queensland Science Contest! Just remember to check the categories and choose the best one for your project.

- **Gold Coast Science Fair**  
A week filled with tons of fun and unique activities and events for curious people of all ages.
- **PICSE Science for Growth Awards**  
The Science for Growth Awards is a fantastic opportunity for Year 9 and 10 school students around Australia to improve their scientific skills by engaging in real-life science investigation projects, meet scientists plus win cash prizes.

### SCIENCE COMPETITIONS

Entries made into many of these competitions and programs can also be submitted to the Queensland Science Contest. Students may need to adapt or modify their projects slightly first.

- **ANZANG Nature Photography Competition**
- **Australian Big Science Competition**  
The Big Science Competition is a one hour paper of 30 multiple-choice questions held at your school. Questions are aligned with the Australian Curriculum - Science, and are designed to challenge students to think critically and solve scientific problems.
- **Australian Brain Bee Challenge**
- **Australian Science Olympiads**  
The Australian Science Olympiad Competition is the training and selection process for top performing secondary science students which culminate in the International Science Olympiads - the Olympic Games for science students.
- **Australian Statistics Poster Competition**  
This competition encourages students to experience learning and decision making through the collection and analysis of data.
- **CSIRO CREST Awards**
- **The Formula 1 Technology Challenge**  
The F1 in Schools™ Technology Challenge is the world's largest secondary school technology program. It involves over nine million students from 17,000 schools in 31 nations.
- **Gold Coast Schools Science Competition**  
Feeds into the Queensland Science Contest.
- **Hermitage Schools Plant Science Competition**  
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- **International Genecloning Competition**  
The International Genecloning Competition (IGCC) is a world-wide, multi-disciplinary, high-level biology competition. This project design and competition format is an exceptionally motivating and effective teaching method.
- **International Science Poetry Competition**
- **International Science School**  
Held annually in Sydney, this is a two week long science camp for students from all over Australia and 8 other countries. It's FREE!
- **International Young Physicists Tournament**  
Students seek to find theories to explain complex phenomena displayed in each problem.
- **NATA's Young Scientist of the Year Awards**  
The 'Young Scientists of the Year Awards' competition was established 8 years ago in an effort to foster an interest in science among school children. The competition is open to primary school students across Australia and is free to enter.
- **National Youth Science Forum**
- **Robocup Junior**
- **Science for Growth Awards**  
The Science for Growth Awards is a fantastic opportunity for school students to improve their scientific skills by engaging in real-life science investigation projects.
- **Sleek Geeks Science Prize - Secondary students**  
The competition encourages students with a passion for science and for communicating ideas to tell a scientific story via a short video piece, cultivating the next generation of Dr Karls and Adam Spencers!
- **Sleek Geeks Eureka Prize - Primary Schools**
- **SPECTRA**  
SPECTRA, or Science Program Exciting Children Through Research Activities, is a national science award program developed and administered by ASTA for students between Years 1 and 10.
- **Strange Nature**  
Sydney University students have recently created the science writing competition 'Strange Nature' for high-school students (Years 7-12).
- **UQ Sunflower Competition**  
Sunflower seeds, soil, water and sunlight are all the elements you need for fun, hands-on, experimental learning!

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With Youth Week being celebrated from 10–18 April, our Deputy Director-General, Corporate Sinead McCarthy, will share with us why it is important for us at DAF to celebrate the work of our younger staff members and stakeholders.

Special guest staff members who will talk about their roles at DAF include:

- Kerrie Ruble, Client Services Officer, Warwick, Hermitage Plant Science Competition
- Kaley Norris, Policy Officer, Ag Tech Innovation Partnerships and Skills Policy
- Clancy McNamara, Media and Communications Officer, Communications and Engagement.

Tune in to the live event using this live event link.

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#### 'Grow it, Taste it, Don't Waste it!' competition now open!

DAF's Hermitage Research Facility Schools Plant Science Competition for 2021 'Grow it, Taste it, Don't Waste it!' is now open!

DAF are again joining forces with [QuestaGame](#) to provide students with further opportunities to engage in real-world science. Through QuestaGame's outdoor mobile gaming App, students' insect, weed, plant disease and animal pest sightings will be shared with CSIRO's Atlas of Living Australia and the Global Biodiversity Information Facility – the world's premier collection of biodiversity records. Student involvement will also help researchers understand how we can better manage and protect biodiversity in a changing world. This is citizen science at its best!

Entries in this competition will also be eligible for state or territory Science Teachers Association Science Contests [STAQ Science Contest](#) and the national [BHP Foundation Science & Engineering Awards](#).

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The DAF Hermitage Research Facility Schools Plant Science Competition is an annual competition open to all primary and secondary school students (years P-12) nation wide. The aim of the competition is to stimulate an interest in science and agriculture in young people and to promote science as a rewarding and exciting career choice. Beginning at the start of term 1 and closing at the end of term 2, the competition offers hands-on, engaging ways for students to gain understanding and skills in key areas identified within the Australian Science Curriculum. After completing a range of experiments and activities on a specific agricultural science topic, students prepare a report (entry) and submit to the Hermitage Research Facility for judging. Winners are announced and prizes are awarded at the annual Awards Day & Ag Science Expo, held at the Hermitage Research Facility in Warwick, during National Science Week in August. This event brings together students and their families, teachers, competition sponsors, DAF leaders, scientists and staff, guest speakers and presenters, media and the general community for a celebration of student's achievements and all things agricultural science related!

<b>Ages</b> All ages	<b>Area of Interest</b> Biology Science Earth sciences
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# Pilton News



Pilton State School

Despite having our band performances cancelled last week, it was great to have a couple of opportunities to perform for an audience. Last Thursday our band students played for the Clifton Cluster Principals and the Assistant Regional Director – and it was their best performance this year by far! Special thanks goes to Melinda May and her Wild Sage catering that topped off the great day with a fantastic Mexican feast... it was so good.

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Term 3 Issue 3

## DAF Hermitage Schools Plant Science Competition Awards Day – 17 Aug now the 12 Oct

It is with great joy, that I can report that our school took out Overall First Place in the Prep-Year 2 and Overall Second Place in the Year 3-Year 6 sections of the DAF Hermitage Schools Plant Science Competition for 2021. The students at our school can be very proud of the results that they have achieved. In the 'Art in Agriculture' awards our school was also awarded the Champion School! Additionally, individual students have picked up a swag of awards for their Science and Art submissions that we will not announce until attending the rescheduled awards day now on the 12 Oct. As this event is no longer in 'Science Week' we will look at holding a small science fair at school next week instead to ensure we celebrate science week. Well done to all the students and staff for another great result!

## Gold Coast Recreation Centre School Camp – Mon-Wed Week 7 (23-25 Aug)

We are super excited to be heading to the Gold Coast for school camp in week 7 on Mon-Wed 23-25 Aug 21. Invoices for the camp cost of \$100/student have been emailed or sent out from school. As always, if there are any individual circumstances that we can help with to make camp workable, please come and discuss this with me when you get the chance. We will be conducting some safe paddling in Tallebudgera creek, exploring the indigenous sites around Burleigh Heads, heading to Seaworld (including an exclusive lesson with the Dolphins), and having some climbing adventures before heading back to school on Wednesday by 5pm.

## P&C Working Bee and School Surplus Tender

Thanks to all the P&C volunteers attending the fencing working

# Pilton News



Pilton State School

What a great start to term we have had. It is hard to believe that we have only had a handful of days since the Easter break because we have had so much happen in that short period of time! Our students have been engaging in their new units of work, learning goals are being

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## 3-6 Curriculum News

**English** – All the students in the Year 3-6 class will be investigating advertisements and media in term 2. This will include looking at persuasive devices and some visual literacy involving packaging. We all submitted our narratives or poetry in the 'Write-4-Fun' competition last term and were very proud of the fact that every student has been placed on the list to have their work published and moved into the second round of judging! Great job students.

**Mathematics** – In Mathematics, all the Year 3-6 students are working on their understanding of number and operations at their different levels of difficulty. This includes continuing the learning of number facts for the Year 3 group. We have made steady progress with number facts and I am sure that the students still working on mastering these will continue to improve and succeed at these soon. Students will also be learning about the concepts of shapes, fractions and place value. The Year 5/6 students will be specifically developing their ability to apply their mathematical knowledge to problem solving and developing their understanding of formulas and algebra.

To enhance our Mathematics program, the Year 5/6 students will be competing in the Australasian Mathematics Problem Solving Olympiads and Maths Games. This consists of 5 separate problem solving competitions that are run one month apart from March to September. The overall aim is to encourage students to develop important mathematical problem solving skills in an enjoyable, non-threatening environment.



**Humanities and Social Science** – The Year 3/4 students continue to focus on communities in Australia in their studies for HASS during Semester 1. The Year 5/6 students have two unit for this semester that focuses on Australian history and what citizenship in Australia means.

**Science** – This term we are looking at biology for the Year 3-6 students. We are working on our Hermitage Schools Plant Science competition reports and posters on Mondays and Fridays. We are investigating the comparison between aquaponics and traditional agriculture, conducting a food spoilage experiment and we are certain that both these topics will be very interesting for our students!



# CENTENARY HEIGHTS STATE HIGH SCHOOL

## NEWS from the HEIGHTS

Term 3 SEPTEMBER 2021

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### SCIENCE UPDATE

Term 3 has been another exciting term in the Science faculty both in our curriculum and co-curricular activities. Curriculum wise our students have been working on student experiments where they replicate the scientific method as best they can in a laboratory setting. They have also been working on research investigations that improve their ability to seek out, manipulate and manage new information to answer questions linked to real world problems.

Our co-curricular activities list this term has not been without its challenges with our annual Science Fair being cancelled due to COVID restrictions. This challenge however just made our science ambassadors even more excited for National Science Week where we saw a variety of challenges presented to our students in all year levels – exploding watermelons and all. Our ambassadors were supported by our STEM Girl Power Camp Ambassador Catherine Tam who very successfully wrangled some excited Year 11 students.



Finally, our students competed in Department of Agriculture and Fisheries Hermitage Plant Science Competition where we placed first overall and with a number of outstanding individual results. Big science competition results were also announced this term with 7 students receiving credit or higher and Hamish McDonald receiving a high distinction. Additionally, 2 students attended the SPARK ed immersion program working in a fully functioning lab beside real scientists with another student due to attend next term. Another super successful term for our students who have been supported by our awesome science team.

*Kym Penman*, HOD Science

## Invitation to 2021 Virtual Awards Ceremony, via email



### Virtual Awards Ceremony – 2021 'Grow it, Taste it, Don't Waste it!' DAF Hermitage Schools Plant Science Competition

Join us for a webinar on Oct 12, 2021 at 1:00 PM AEST.

[Register now!](#)

Join us in celebrating student's achievements in the 2021 'Grow it, Taste it, Don't Waste it!' fruit and vegetable themed DAF Hermitage Schools Plant Science Competition!

The session will include messages from Minister for Agricultural Industry Development and Fisheries and Minister for Rural Communities, Mark Furner MP and Bernadette Ditchfield, Deputy Director-General of the Department of Agriculture and Fisheries; the announcement of prize winners by Kerrie Rubie, Competition Coordinator and an inspiring, live presentation from Professor Neena Mitter, Director of the UQ Centre for Horticultural Science, followed by an interactive Q&A session.

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

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## Media release

Minister for Agricultural Industry Development and Fisheries and Minister for Rural Communities

The Honourable Mark Furner

### Students reap rewards from studying fruit and veggies

School students from across Queensland were today presented with a range of awards as part of a national science competition celebrating the International Year of Fruit and Vegetables.

Themed ‘Grow it, taste it, don’t waste it!’, the competition attracted more than 3,600 Prep to Year 12 students from 130 schools nationwide. The students took up the challenge to discover the role science and agriculture play in the sustainable production of nutritious and healthy food for people throughout the world.

Minister for Agricultural Industry Development and Fisheries Mark Furner congratulated prize-winning students from nine Queensland schools in a virtual awards ceremony for the State Government’s annual Hermitage Schools Plant Science Competition.

“The impressive science and art entries in this year’s competition give us great hope for the future of science and agriculture”, Minister Furner said.

“It’s great to see young scientists applying themselves to learn about plant science and food technology and how this applies to developing better and tastier fresh produce that we enjoy as part of a healthy diet.”

Students also researched issues such as global food wastage and explored new ideas—such as anaerobic digesters and vertical farming—to help reduce food losses and wastage throughout the paddock to plate process.

Major individual science award prize winners are:

**Paul Johnston Memorial Senior Science Award (years 10-12)**

Michelle Springolo, Groves Christian College of Distance Education, Toowoomba

**Conference Awards (years 10-12)**

Jeslyn Federico and Jessica Cuanico, Chinchilla Christian College

Adrian Coleman, Glasshouse Christian College

**UQ FEAST Scholarships (years 10-12)**

Cameron Colless, Atherton State High School



Adrian Coleman, Glasshouse Christian College

Dayna Linton, Home Hill State High School

### **Crawford Fund International Agricultural Science Award**

Years 10-12: Michelle Springolo, Groves Christian College of Distance Education, Toowoomba

Years 7-9: Thomas Johnson, Faith Christian School of Distance Education, Rockhampton

Years 3-6: Year 3/4W, Rockhampton Grammar School

Years P-2: Year P-1, Pilton State School

### **QUT Most Outstanding Poster Awards (years 10-12)**

Ebony King, Glasshouse Christian College

### **Ag Institute of Australia Junior Science Achievement Award (years 7-9)**

Thomas Johnson, Faith Christian School of Distance Education, Rockhampton

### **Joe Baker Outstanding Achievement Awards**

Years 3-6: May Turkington, Pilton State School, Darling Downs

Years P-2: Jesse Campbell, Pilton State School, Darling Downs

The competition's Art in Agriculture section linked to the National Science Week theme for students 'Food: Different by Design', which saw students create a superhero character to help promote a new 'super' fruit or vegetable developed in a science lab.

Students from Pilton State School on the Darling Downs took out the top art prize of 'Most Outstanding School' and secured numerous individual awards with their fantastic fruit and veg superhero creations.

A third component of the competition involved students from across the globe partaking in a citizen science, biosecurity-themed adventure about the environment and the animals and organisms that invade plants.

The 2021 'Pest Invaders' BioQuest attracted 33 teams with 2,492 sightings, 4,227 identifications and 595 species mapped, via a mobile gaming app. Students from across Australia and even a team from the USA were among the prize winners.

Mr Furner thanked the competition's supporters including gold sponsors the Plant Biosecurity Science Foundation and the Grains Research and Development Corporation, and silver sponsors the Paul Johnston Memorial Trust, The Crawford Fund and the University of Queensland.

The following Queensland schools won individual and class science and art prizes:

- Centenary Heights State High School, Toowoomba
- Glasshouse Christian College, Sunshine Coast



- Chinchilla Christian College
- Mareeba State High School
- Groves Christian College of Distance Education, Toowoomba
- Atherton State High School
- Home Hill State High School
- Highfields State Secondary College, Toowoomba
- Bowen State High School
- Fairholme College, Toowoomba
- Faith Christian School of Distance Education
- Narangba Valley State High School
- Pimlico State High School
- Brigidine College Indooroopilly
- Rockhampton Grammar School
- Pilton State School
- Mareeba State School
- Cambooya State School
- Cecil Plains State School
- Minimbah State School
- Trinity Bay State High School
- St Joseph's Catholic Primary School, Brisbane
- Gilhooly Homeschool, Brisbane

Other prize winners included:

- St Gregory's College, New South Wales
- Coffs Harbour Christian Community School
- John Forrest Secondary College (Bush Ranger Cadets), Western Australia
- Frederick Irwin Anglican School (Halls Head), Western Australia
- Merri Creek Primary School, Victoria
- Forsyth County (Sharon Forks Library), Georgia, USA

For more information about the competition and the full list of winners, visit [www.daf.qld.gov.au/hermitage-competition](http://www.daf.qld.gov.au/hermitage-competition) or call 13 25 23.


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### "Grow it, Taste it, Don't Waste it!" school plant science competition winners announced

October 12, 2021


The winners of the Crawford Fund International Agricultural Science award were announced today as part of a virtual ceremony for the annual DAF [Hermitage Schools Plant Science Competition](#) in Queensland.


The ceremony featured messages from the Minister for Agricultural Industry Development and Fisheries, Mark Furner MP and DAF Deputy Director General, Bernadette Ditchfield, plus a live presentation from the Director of the Centre of Horticultural Science (the University of Queensland), Professor Neena Mitter, followed by a Q&A session.


With the theme, "Grow it, Taste it, Don't Waste it" to celebrate the International Year of Fruit and Vegetables, the competition comprised several components – hands-on experiments, an art project and an outdoor game designed to help students discover and map insect, weed, plant disease and animal pest sightings and ultimately help protect life on our planet.

The Crawford Fund continued its long association with the competition, with the Fund's Queensland Committee sponsoring the event for the ninth year. This ongoing involvement encourages a strong focus on international agricultural research by both organisers from the Department of Agriculture and Fisheries and students alike.


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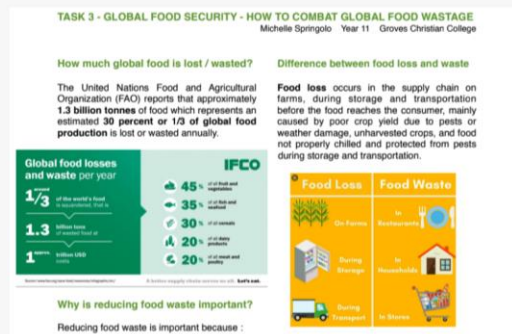
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Stop Wasting Food poster by Pilton State School's Year P-1 class

This year, for the first time, the competition was expanded to include primary school entries, so we would like to make special mention of the budding young international agricultural scientists from year 3/4 at the Rockhampton Grammar School who won the Year 3-6 category for their engaging [video](#) focussing on food wastage at their school, and Pilton

State School's Year P-1 class for their creative '[stop food wastage' poster](#).



Winning report by Michelle Springolo at Groves Christian College of Distance Education

A special congratulations to both high school winners **Michelle Springolo** and **Thomas Johnson**, for [winning their categories for the second year](#) running. Michelle, a Year 11 student from Groves Christian College of Distance Education was the winner of the year 10-12 category for her focus on global food wastage via a detailed [report](#). The runners-up were two teams of Year 10 students from Centenary Heights Senior High School in Toowoomba – firstly Liviru Wanniarachchi, Sattar Nazari and Yeran Dassanayake, who focused on [anaerobic digesters](#) as a method to breakdown food waste and reduce harmful gases and Mali Dawson, Cassandra Matic and Katherine Tam investigating [vertical farming](#) to reduce waste and provide food security.



Mali Dawson, Cassandra Matic and Katherine Tam from Centenary Heights Senior High School in Toowoomba investigated vertical farming.

In the years 7-9 category, Thomas, in year 9 at Faith Christian School of Distance Education focused on [cool storage transportation systems](#) to combat post-harvest food losses in Africa and runner-up Ruby Linton, year 7 from Home Hill State High School highlighted food wastage statistics via an interesting [Infographic](#).

Over 110,000 students throughout Australia have participated in this competition and have gained a better understanding of topics like soil health, the paddock to plate process, photosynthesis, weeds, pests, and plant genetics. Students have also developed further skills in scientific method and understanding, report writing, mathematics, English, teamwork, communication, art, and technology.

All schools involved have been made aware of the Fund's free project-based high school [learning materials](#) which aim to excite educators and students to the impact of work around global food and nutrition security and the broad range of career pathways to involvement.

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Year 9 Mueller College Student Caleb Smith working on his entry

The global pandemic may have forced the annual Hermitage Schools Plant Science Competition Awards online for the second year running, but that won't dampen the enthusiasm of entrants who are eager to see the results. Everyone is welcome to [register to attend the live online ceremony](#) and see who has taken out this year's accolades.

This year, the competition attracted more than 3600 Prep to Year 12 students from 130 schools nationwide. The students took up the challenge to discover the role science and agriculture play in the sustainable production of nutritious and healthy food for the world's people.

The competition offers students of all ages a variety of engaging ways to gain understanding and skills in key areas identified within the Australian science curriculum. Encouraging the next generation of plant scientists is crucial to how we will face the future and is a key purpose of the competition. The projects performed by students as part of the competition emulate some of the work our researchers do here at DAF.

The 2021 theme, 'Grow It, Taste It, Don't Waste It!' celebrates the International Year of Fruit and Vegetables, which seeks to raise awareness about the important role of fruits and vegetables in human nutrition, food security and health.

There is a whole series of webinars this week to celebrate students' achievements and showcase some of the fantastic STEM related activities associated with the competition awards. Why not jump online and find out what it's all about?

Check back to find out about the winners later this week!

Hermitage Schools Plant Science Competition Awards — Tuesday 12 October 1pm

QuestaGame 'Pest Invaders' — Play to protect Australian Biodiversity — Wednesday 13 October 1pm

Street Science 'Future of Food' online show — Thursday 14 October 2pm

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Budding scientists from Highfields State Secondary College in Toowoomba show off their award winning entry

Students from nine schools were presented with a range of awards for their entries in the competition which celebrated the International Year of Fruit and Vegetables.

More than 3600 kids from 130 schools took part in the competition run by DAF, which was themed 'Grow it, Taste it, Don't Waste it!'. Through their participation, young scientists were able to explore the role science and agriculture play in the sustainable production of nutritious and healthy food for the world's people.

The competition's Art in Agriculture section linked to the National Science Week theme for students, 'Food: Different by Design', which saw students create a superhero character to help promote a new 'super' fruit or vegetable developed in a science lab.

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For a full list of winners, visit the competition webpage. 🌐

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'Grow it, taste it, don't waste it!' Plant Science Awards

More than 3,600 Prep to Grade 12 students from 130 schools nationwide took part in DAF's annual Hermitage Schools Plant Science Competition, themed 'Grow it, taste it, don't waste it!'

The challenge was to discover the role science and agriculture play in the sustainable production of nutritious and healthy food for people throughout the world.

Click [here](#) to view a list of the school and student award winners.

Congratulations to all involved, which included a number of AGISP schools!



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### Pilton students win big in hermitage competition

Students from Pilton State School have taken home, both as a school and individually, multiple awards from the Queensland Government's Hermitage Schools Plant Science Competition, including the top art prize of 'Most Outstanding School.'



Students anxiously watch on as Minister Furner announces the winners.

#### CLASS AWARDS

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#### ART IN AGRICULTURE AWARD

- Hayley - Winner of Prep
- Zachary - Highly Commended for Prep
- Jesse - Winner of Year 1
- Millie - Highly Commended for Year 1
- Flynn - Winner of Year 3
- Olivia - Highly Commended for Year 3
- Ryleigh - Winner for Year 5
- Rachael - Highly Commended for Year 5
- Madhava - Winner of Year 6
- May - Highly Commended for Year 6

#### JOE BAKER OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

- Jesse for Years P-2
- May for Years 3-6

#### PLANT SCIENCE PROJECT AWARDS

- Rachael - Highly Commended
- Piper - Highly Commended
- Hayley - Highly Commended

This year's theme was 'Grow it, Taste it, Don't waste it.'

Students conducted a food spoilage experiment and a plant science project comparing traditional methods of agriculture with aquaponics.

They also submitted artwork creating a new fruit and created a presentation on food wastage.

The awards day live-streamed to schools across Queensland last Tuesday.

The competition attracted more than 3,600 Prep to Year 12 students from 130 schools nationwide.

Acting Principal Amber Ryan said a great deal of effort had been put into this competition.

"It was wonderful to celebrate students' well deserved success," she said.

Cambooya State School received an Encouragement Prize for Year 3-6.

Minister for Agricultural Industry Development and Fisheries Mark Furner congratulated prize-winning students from nine Queensland schools in a virtual awards ceremony for the State Government's annual Hermitage Schools Plant Science Competition.

"The impressive science and art entries in this year's competition give us great hope for the future of science and agriculture", Mr Furner said.

"It's great to see young scientists applying themselves to learn about plant science and food technology and how this applies to developing better and tastier fresh produce that we enjoy as part of a healthy diet."

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# Newsletter October 2021

Welcome back to Term 4. This term Junior Ag students will be learning about Agricultural Production Systems and the Senior students will continue to learn about the 'Sweet Industries'. This term we will celebrate our achievements in the Hermitage Research Centre Plant Science Competition and we will all come together to recognise National Ag Day in November.



**Year 12 Ag students Field Trip to Mr Swindley's property to learn about cane, pumpkin and melon production.**



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**Future plant food scientists** 🌱🔬

These students from Mueller College in Rothwell are busy working on their plant science project for the 2021 Hermitage Schools Plant Science Competition. We can't quite figure out what they're doing in these pics. They could be designing an experiment, researching a pest or disease, or developing a new idea to combat global food wastage. It's all a bit of a mystery! What do you think they're up to?

Themed 'Grow it, Taste it, Don't Waste it!' the competition is celebrating the International Year of Fruit and Vegetables — entries close Friday 25th June. For more info, visit <https://www.daf.qld.gov.au/business-priorities/agriculture/plants/schools-plant-science-competition>



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🎉 Congratulations to the winners of the Crawford Fund International Agricultural Science award at the QLD Hermitage Schools Plant Science Competition!

Meet the winners and check out their projects on reducing [#FoodLoss](#) and [#FoodWaste](#) 🍌

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**"Grow it, Taste it, Don't Waste it!" school plant science competition winners announced**

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**Super veg are go!** 🥕🥦🍌

Entries are rolling in for the 2021 Hermitage Schools Plant Science Competition! Check out some of the fantastic Art in AgRiCuLture submissions we have received from year 8 & 9 students at Home Hill SHS. The brief for this category is to create a superhero character to promote a new super fruit/veg that's been developed in a lab. We think these new food heroes are super cool. What's your favourite? Entries close Friday 25th June. For more information, visit <https://www.daf.qld.gov.au/business-priorities/agriculture/plants/schools-plant-science-competition>



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**QuestaGame**  
April 20 · 🌐

Some awesome sightings and IDs from the schools. Well done!



**Top Spotters**

1. **Allisdair**  
(The Study Anywhere Team)  
score 22834
2. **Toni**  
(The Hornets)  
score 4,961
3. **Eskil**  
(Merr Creek Primary School)  
score 3,893
4. **Artemis**  
(John Forrest Secondary College Bush Ranger Cadets)  
score 1,789
5. **Finn**  
(Home & Distance Ed Schooling)  
score 1,183
6. **IntroversiaBAT**  
(Cheltenham Girls High School)  
score 1,100
7. **deceitful**  
(Brusar Public School)  
score 1,058
8. **Marish**  
(Cairns State High School)  
score 744
9. **Ferryfinder8**  
(Ferry Grove State School)  
score 711
10. **Steve**  
(Oval Rangers - Pinehurst)  
score 701

**QuestaSchools**  
April 20 · 🌐

The **#PestInvaders** P-12 Schools competition is heating up - with plenty of time remaining for your school team to climb the leaderboard. **#QuestaGame**

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**QuestaGame**  
June 11 · 🌐

It was an honour to have Allisdair visit our offices today! A special thanks to Dr. Robert Courtney for sharing his remarkable work (learned so much!), and to the honourable Mayor Bob Manning. JCU: James Cook University, Australia



**QuestaSchools**  
June 11 · 🌐

Cairns mayor Bob Manning has honoured QuestaGame player Allisdair as "Mayor of the Day" for this Sunday's ecofiesta at Munro Martin Park. Cairns Regional Council... See more

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Kerrie Rubie  
Thank you to all involved for making this a special day for Allisdair 🥳


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**QuestaGame**  
June 8 · 🌐

VERY RARE SIGHTING from QG players Sean and Quinn near **#Harare** **#Zimbabwe** - part of the P-12 Schools team "Home & Distance Ed Schoolers" **QuestaSchools**

<https://bee.questagame.com/#/sightings/336100>

Earned a 4000 discovery bonus. Well done!... See more



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Alisdair is in [#Cairns](#) as the 2020 champion of the Pest Invaders BioQuest, a [Queensland Agriculture](#) program that gets kids learning about plant health & biosecurity. See [PestInvaders.org](#). Alisdair also took first place in the P-12 Schools Champion (April), for both spotting and identifying species.

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**Kerrie Rubie**  
Great photos of Alisdair enjoying his awesome prize so far! Thanks for showing him around JCU and the QuestaGame headquarters today and for organising a meet and greet with the Mayor! I hope he enjoys the rest of the trip including a day out at the Ec... See more

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**QuestaSchools**  
June 8 · 🌐

The P-12 Schools [#BioQuest](#) continues from 1-30 August (incl [#NationalScienceWeek](#)). Meanwhile, still 3 weeks remaining in <https://PestInvaders.org> - a P-12 BioQuest run by the [Queensland Agriculture and Fisheries Queensland](#). Not too late to get your students participating in the competition! [Queensland Science](#)



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June 8 · 🌐

VERY RARE SIGHTING from QG players Sean and Quinn near [#Harare](#) [#Zimbabwe](#) - part of the P-12 Schools team "Home & Distance Ed Schoolers" [QuestaSchools](#)

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**QuestaSchools**  
May 13 · 🌐

Great work Eskil and Merri Creek Primary School!



**QuestaGame**  
May 13 · 🌐

EXTRAORDINARY FIND! This Chrysops sp. of deer fly, found by [#QuestaGame](#) player Eskil of Merri Creek Primary School in the [@cityofmelbourne](#), is the first photog... See more

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April 20 · 🌐

The [#PestInvaders](#) P-12 Schools competition is heating up - with plenty of time remaining for your school team to climb the leaderboard. [#QuestaGame](#)

CURRENT LEADERS:

1. The Study Anywhere Team - score: 27,834
2. The Hornets - score: 4,961
3. Merri Creek - score: 3,893
4. John Forrest Secondary College Bush Ranger Cadets - score: 1,789
5. Bundanoon Public School - score 1,470

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**QuestaSchools**  
April 19 · 🌐

Well done to the current leaders of the April #BioQuest.  
**FIRST** - The Study Anywhere Team  
**SECOND** - Merri Creek Primary School - [Friends of Merri Creek](#)  
**THIRD** - Cairns State High School  
 Still plenty of time to contribute new sightings and IDs via [#QuestaGame](#)  
 Photo by Alisdair



**Top Spotters**

1. **Alisdair**  
(The Study Anywhere Team)  
score 4,422
2. **Eskit**  
(Merri Creek Primary School)  
score 1,218
3. **Marish**  
(Cairns State High School)  
score 764
4. **STEVENS FAMILY**  
(South Creek School and Distance Education)  
score 415
5. **TessieFrachon**  
(South Creek School and Distance Education)  
score 310
6. **librarymash**  
(Hervey Bay Public Library - Team 1)  
score 241
7. **Melissa**  
(GLCCO)  
score 214
8. **Redhead**  
(Hervey Bay Public Library - Team 2)  
score 193
9. **elymsh**  
(Cairns State High School)  
score 174
10. **Bethany**  
(Cairns State High School)  
score 61

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**QuestaSchools**  
March 31 · 🌐

Let the #BioQuest begin for P-12 Schools!

Students around the world are learning about, discovering and helping map biodiversity for research, food security (biosecurity), conservation and environmental policy.

Has your school or science class joined a competition?

- The P-12 Schools BioQuest - April and August
- QuestaSchools - All year
- Pest Invaders - Feb-June - see [PestInvaders.org](#)




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Kerrie Rubie shared a link.  
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Congrats to the awesome students from [Pilton State School](#) for winning loads of awards in this year's competition! 🏆👏  
 Great write up by the [Clifton Courier](#) too 🙌

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