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Hallidays Point Public School shines in Essential Energy safety poster competition

An eye-catching artwork design sharing a vital electrical safety message has launched Hallidays Point Public School to the top of the cosmos in Essential Energy's 'Be a Safety Star' school poster competition.

The stellar entry from the small school on the NSW Mid North Coast eclipsed more than 250 others to shine brightest in the competition to design an electrical safety-inspired poster as part of this year's Electricity Safety Week activities.

General Manager Safety, HR and Environment, David Nardi, said Essential Energy had been overwhelmed with the response to the inaugural 'Be a Safety Star' school poster competition.

"Students from kindergarten through to Year 6 have put their heads together, got creative and found some innovative ways to portray important electrical safety messages," David said.

"Their original designs captured the imagination, while also delivering a valuable lesson in keeping safe around electricity in the home, at school and in the wider community."

The winning entry was created by students Olivia Pearce and Chelsea Doyle and inspired by science teacher Jessica Watt. For their efforts, their school's P&C Association will receive \$1,000 to spend on a safety-related improvement.

Electricity Safety Week is presented by Essential Energy, in partnership with the NSW Department of Education, to educate students about electrical hazards and how to avoid them.

More than 95 per cent of NSW primary schools registered for this year's interactive classroom lessons, including 882 regional and rural schools across Essential Energy's footprint.

Essential Energy's 'Be a Safety Star' poster competition was designed to encourage students to think about core safety messages promoted during the Electricity Safety Week program, such as using electrical appliances safely and keeping clear of fallen powerlines.

All poster competition entries can be viewed at: essentialenergy.com.au/postercomp.

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