

STUDENT NEWS Term 4 Week 7 2014



Above : Week 6 merit award recipients.

Below : Certificates were awarded at Monday morning's assembly for the ICAS Writing Competition. Ruby Henley (centre) earned herself a Credit (well done!) with Tess Henley, Ella McRae, Georgia Wilson, Prue West and Breanna Roser (absent from photo) all receiving Participating certificates.





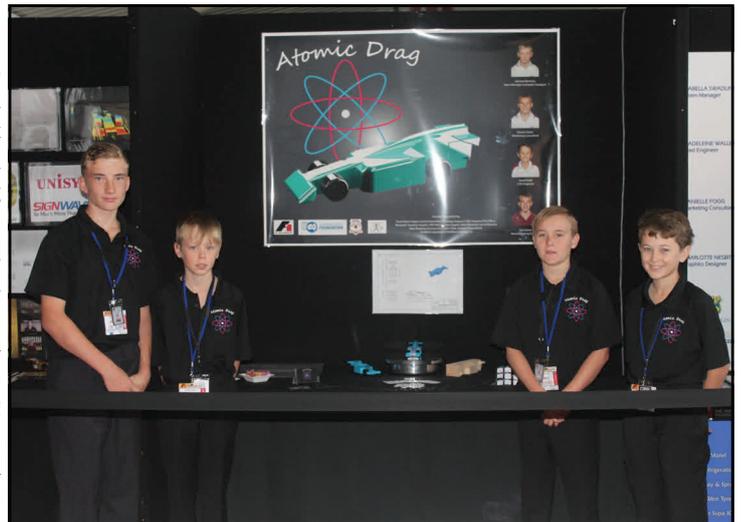
F1 IN SCHOOLS FINALS

During week 5 the Ungarie Central School F1 in schools team, Atomic Drag, travelled to the University of Western Sydney to compete in the state finals. The team left Ungarie at 7am on Wednesday and travelled to Condobolin to meet up with the other Lachlan Access teams competing at state. After arriving at the University late in the afternoon the team set up their pit display and submitted their race cars to the judges to be scrutineered. It was then off to the accommodation at Sydney Olympic Park. Everyone was practicing for their verbals, which meant a late night.

Thursday was a long, full day for all teams. Atomic Drag started their competition with their verbal presentation, followed by time trial racing, then engineering judging and lastly reaction time racing. The teams newly designed state

car raced faster than the original regionals car, and it was exciting to see an improvement in the speed. After leaving the university all the students headed off to Westfield, Parramatta for some retail therapy and tea. Heading back to the accommodation it was then an earlier night to bed.

Friday was another early morning, heading back out to UWS for the final day of competition. The day was a bit easier as it consisted of pit display judging and knock-out racing. It was up to Kai to have the fast reaction finger for the team. He was able to knock out the first team raced, moving Atomic Drag through to the next round. Unfortunately, the second round was not as successful and the team was knocked out. The end of the day comprised of the awards presentation where Atomic Drag received the encouragement award for the Development class – this means that although the team did not come first in any section the judges were extremely impressed



with their efforts and want them to keep trying. After the presentation it was back into the car for the long drive back to Ungarie.

“I had no experience with F1 cars before I started the program. Now I know heaps of things about drag, lift, downward force, friction, velocity and aerodynamics. I have also learnt how to work as a team and it boosted my confidence. Overall it was a good experience and I think we did well” – Jared Robb

“I liked it because we got to learn new things like how to use CREO parametric and Illustrator. I liked that I got to spend more time with my mates and meet heaps of new people.” – Daniel Potter

Congratulations to the members of Atomic Drag for their positive attitude and behaviour during their time away; they did themselves and the school very proud. Well Done!

Thank you to Michelle Potter for being the designated photographer and for driving the team to and from Sydney – it was greatly appreciated. Also, a massive thank you to all of the community organisations and businesses that sponsored the F1 in Schools program at Ungarie Central School, without your support competing at state level would not have been possible.

Top : Kai Davies, Daniel Potter, Jared Robb, Jackson Benness and Mrs Ward with their Encouragement Award.

Above : the Atomic Drag team at their pit display.

Left : the Ungarie, Condobolin and Lake Cargelligo teams

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ABOVE: Year 2/3/4 have been creating Christmas scenes in Drama. This week we worked on variations of Santa's sleigh. As you can see, it was a bumpy ride!

BELOW: F1 people look out! K/1 have been making vehicles in Science this week, and can't wait to test them out. Students are also asked to bring in materials to make their own original cars next week, to see if we can improve our designs!

Left: Mitchell Collins, Allora Vinecombe, Josh Batty and Alfred McCubbin. Below : Caitlin Rossiter, Lara Bryant, Zoe McRae and Hannah Wilson. Right: Lachie and Gavin Ward and Dylan Carroll.

