



Standing Tall in Hamilton Inc

School Based Mentoring



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TERM 4

We have reached the end of the year already. Term Four has been action packed with fun excursions, celebrations, training. We would like to thank every person who has contributed to making 2017 a successful year of mentoring. We look forward to some exciting new directions in 2018.

FAREWELL

We have reached the end of an era with Baimbridge College principal, Rob Vecchiet announcing his resignation at the end of this year. Rob has been instrumental in the building of Standing Tall since it's inception around 14 years ago. He has been a standing member on the Committee of Management and has driven many successful partnerships within our community. He has fought tirelessly to ensure that he leaves Standing Tall in a secure place for the future. We thank him for his dedication and wish him well for all that the future holds.



NEW TO STANDING TALL

We have welcomed five new mentors to our community, with training being held back in October. Each person has successfully completed the training session and brings unique and incredible skills and talents to our program.

We look forward to seeing new mentoring relationships grow in the new year.



Coordinator Jane Crowe (third from left) welcomes new Mentors (L-R): Doug Palmer, Michael Vaughan, Ryan Jones, Suzanne Wallace and Gerard Kelly

We are aiming to undertake further training in the new year, so if you or someone you know feels like they could contribute to Standing Tall as a Mentor, please contact the office for an Application Pack.

We wish to acknowledge the Sisters of Charity Foundation, who have generously sponsored this training intake.



*Standing Tall wishes you a
Merry Christmas
Safe Holidays and
A Happy New Year*



NATIONAL YOUTH MENTORING WEEK

23rd - 29th October

National Youth Mentoring Week is a week for celebrating all that is good about Youth Mentoring. This year we celebrated with a trip to Halls Gap.

A big thank you to the South West Street Rodder's Club for providing the transport for the day, and also to Terry Arnel, our very capable bus driver. Sincere thanks also goes to the Rotary Club of Hamilton North who supported the excursion financially.

A great day was had by all, and our children proved to be fantastic ambassadors for Standing Tall throughout the day, with business owners commenting on how wonderful they were.

We spent the morning exploring the Zoo, and then after lunch, we headed to the Halls Gap Adventure Park for a round of Mini-Golf.

Here are some highlights from our day...



Nyah's had food, so she was popular



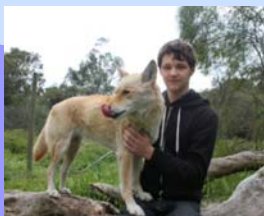
Justin and Ethan check out the Cheetahs



Wombat rides with Toby



Ben's friend the Mountain Goat



Harley's Dingo Experience



Bob, Ben, Glenda, Roger and Cody enjoy an adventure around the Zoo

BIRTHDAYS

October

- 1st - Harley Addinsall (Mentee)
- 3rd - Lynette Binney (Mentor)
- 4th - Ethan Gray (Mentee)
- 7th - Min Youngman (Mentor)
- 13th - Cody Mutch-Curr (Mentee)

November

- 10th - Alan McConachie (Mentor)
- 26th - Chantelle Chace (Mentee)
- 27th - Dylan Breban (Mentee)

December

- 16th - Robyn Dickie (Mentor)
- 21st - Nyah Vaughan (Mentee)



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



Darrell, Brent and Ben enjoy some golf



Nyah's putting is on point!



Ethan takes a shot with distractions by Justin and Toby



No trip to Halls Gap is complete without Ice-Cream!!!

CONGRATULATIONS

A special Congratulations to all our Volunteer Mentors and Committee Members, whose efforts were recognized by Dan Tehan MP at the Australian Government Volunteer Awards held in Beaufort in November.

This program would not be in existence if it weren't for the dedication of our Volunteers, so it is amazing to see them being recognized for this by their wider community. So we thank you for all you do! *THANK YOU!*



Rob Vecchiet (COM), Lynette Binney & Peter Elsworthy (Mentors) and Jane Crowe (Program Coordinator), represented Standing Tall Volunteers at the Beaufort Ceremony. Pictured here with the Hon Dan Tehan MP and George Kirsanovs

Standing Tall Keep Cups are now available to purchase at Hamilton Toyworld. All proceeds to Standing Tall. Thanks Toyworld!



CELEBRATING 2017

As the mentoring year draws to a close, we joined with the L2P Mentoring program to have a Christmas Break-up at Hamilton Institute of Rural Learning on November 30th.



A special thank you to the Hamilton Lions Club for cooking our BBQ for us despite some poor weather.



It gave us a special opportunity to farewell Rob Vecchiet. And Peer Mentor, Harley Addinsall named Ethan Gray as Junior Peer Mentor for 2018.

Thank you to all who braved the wild weather to join us.



Jane and Julie farewell Rob with a Memory Book of his Standing Tall journey



Peer Mentors for 2018: Ethan (Jnr) & Harley (Snr)

THANKS TO OUR Supporters...

The Standing Tall program in Hamilton is grateful for the generous financial support of our Patron Dr Geoff Handbury AO and the Geoff & Helen Handbury Foundation Strengthening our Community together...



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