

Tasmanian Liberal Government

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Jeremy Rockliff, Minister for Education and Training
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Congratulations to Hagley Farm School

The Government congratulates the Department of Education – Revitalising School Farms Initiative & the Hagley Farm School Visitor Centre for being named the joint winners of the Education Category in Round 2 of the 2020 Australian Biosecurity Awards.

The award was announced this morning during the plenary session of the 2020 National Biosecurity Forum.

Minister for Primary Industries and Water Guy Barnett said the national award was a fantastic achievement for the staff and students at Hagley Farm School & Visitor Centre.

“This is great news and worthy recognition of their commitment to making practical biosecurity education a key component of the agricultural curriculum at Hagley, and for the thousands of other Tasmanian students who visit the Field Study Centre each year,” Minister Barnett said.

“Good biosecurity is a shared responsibility and the receipt of this award highlights the important collaborative work being undertaken at the School and the broader Revitalising School Farms network, with the ongoing support of staff from Biosecurity Tasmania.

“Biosecurity and the education of our next generation of agricultural professionals is essential to Tasmania’s agriculture productivity, continued market access, our reputation for high quality primary products and the health of our natural environment.”

Minister for Education and Training Jeremy Rockliff said it was more evidence of the success of Tasmania’s school farms.

“I would like to congratulate all the staff and students at Hagley and those who are involved with the Revitalising School Farms program,” Minister Rockliff said.

“This is a nationally significant award and you should all be very proud of your achievement.

“The Tasmanian Government has invested strongly in our school farms as they are essential for providing students interested in a career in agriculture with hands on, practical experiences to help them reach their career goals.

“Today’s award is worthy recognition and more proof that our plan is working.”

The National Biosecurity Forum is a joint event between the Department of Agriculture, Water and Environment and the National Biosecurity Committee and is running until 12 November.