

Play Your Part Awards and National Child Protection Week art competition – copy for distribution

Get ready for National Child Protection Week (2-8 September)

Mark your calendar now! National Child Protection Week is Sunday 2nd September (Fathers' Day) to Saturday 8th September - and now is a great time to start planning how you can support NAPCAN's theme of *Stronger Communities, Safer Children*.

1. Nominate for a Play Your Part Award! (link to awards: <http://napcan.org.au/ncpw/play-your-part-awards/>)

Do you know people who are doing inspiring work to build stronger communities, and support children and families? This type of work is really important in the primary prevention of child abuse and neglect, and NAPCAN would love to hear about it! Past winners have included a wide range of programs for families including home visits, mentoring, parenting support, social groups, and community hubs - anything that helps to strengthen families and keep children safe.

- State and National Awards provide high profile recognition of your work (including via events with dignitaries, and media coverage)
- NEW! Thanks to NAPCAN's sponsors 'Northhaven Private Wealth and the Lynes Family' there is now \$10,000 available to invest in a project or projects with high potential!
- Nominations close: 18 April 2018

2. Encourage children to enter NAPCAN's art competition

NAPCAN are asking children and young people to illustrate what they think is important in a strong, safe community. The winning artworks will be used as part of the campaign for National Child Protection Week including on posters and social media.

- Winners will receive \$200 and \$50 gift vouchers as well as recognition for their work!!
- Entries close: 18 April 2018
- Email entries to contact@napcan.org.au

3. Visit the website to find out more about how to get involved e.g. join NAPCAN's mailing list, plan an event, register for posters, or download resources.

<http://napcan.org.au/get-ready-for-national-child-protection-week/>

Short version

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- Play your part in protecting children and support NAPCAN's theme of Stronger Communities, Safer Children.
- **Nominate for a Play Your Part Award** for inspiring work in supporting children and families. Includes \$10,000 prize money. Entries close: 18 April 2018 (link to awards: <http://napcan.org.au/ncpw/play-your-part-awards/>)
- **Promote NAPCAN's art competition for children and young people.** Winners receive \$200 and \$50 gift vouchers as well as recognition for any artwork used in the National Child Protection Week campaign. Email entries to contact@napcan.org.au. Entries close: April 2018.

Visit www.napcan.org.au/ncpw/ for more info about how to get involved.