



PARLIAMENT OF NEW SOUTH WALES
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

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Community Recognition Statement

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CALLAN PETERSON

Ms SONIA HORNER (Wallsend) :

The apple hasn't fallen far from the tree when it comes to Mark and Jenny Peterson and their son Callan.

When Mark was in year 5 in 1987 at Belair Public School he received a high distinction after completing the Newcastle Permanent Primary Schools Mathematics Competition.

Jenny completed the competition in 1988, when she was also in year 5 at Plattsburg Public.

Last year, when Callan was in year 5 at New Lambton South Public he also completed the Newcastle Permanent Primary Schools Mathematics Competition, and received a high distinction and a district award. In August, Callan participated in the competition for the second time, along with almost 17, 500 other students from 294 primary schools.

This year the Newcastle Permanent Primary Schools Mathematics Competition celebrated its 40th year of giving year 5 and year 6 students the opportunity to test their numeracy and problem solving skills. When the competition began its first year in 1981, 2337 students from 70 different schools participated that year, and half a million students have participated since.

Well done Callan on following in your parents footsteps and taking such an interest in mathematics.