



Sid Sidebottom MP ... for a fair go in Braddon

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National Science Week: Devonport projects receive funding

A SCIENCE outreach project and a program for local primary school students have received grants from the Federal Government in the lead up to National Science Week 2010.

The Devonport City Council and the Tasmanian Academy, Don Campus, were both successful in their grant applications to promote the importance of science to the local region.

The Devonport City Council will receive \$5,902 for their "Conservation Crusaders" program which will operate as an outreach program from the Imaginarium Science Centre during National Science Week.

"The program will see Imaginarium presenters setting up a series of interactive displays in school halls on Flinders Island, Scottsdale, Bridport and Cape Barron Island," Mr Sidebottom said.

"The activities will focus on the importance of biodiversity, the problems facing Australian plants and animals and the importance of conservation biology."

The Tasmanian Academy, Don Campus, will receive \$4,000 for their "Celebration of Science" program.

"This project will see more than 2000 local primary school students attend the Academy to participate in a combination of competitions and classroom based activities."

"I must congratulate both the Devonport City Council and the Tasmanian Academy, Don Campus, for the originality of their respective projects.

All up, the Rudd Government has delivered \$500,000 in grants to National Science Week projects across Australia.

National Science Week will be held from August 14 – 22, 2010.

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