

Northcote Baptist Community Preschool Celebrates Edtech Success

Trans-Tasman Schools Battled it Out in Promethean Grant Competition

Northcote Baptist Community Preschool in Auckland has beat off competition from Trans-Tasman schools to become one of the 17 successful winners of the Promethean Grant 2018. With entries from both Australia and New Zealand, Northcote Baptist Community Preschool impressed the panel of judges and won a state-of-the-art education technology package worth \$6,000NZD.

To participate in the Promethean Grant, schools were encouraged to submit a video entry to explain why they would benefit from winning an ActivPanel. Judged on three criteria, pupils had to display creativity, explain their need for the technology and the impact that it would have on their school if they were successful. A total of 17 winners have been chosen out of over 60 entries.

Global education technology provider launched the Promethean Grant in Australia and New Zealand in 2017. Following the success of the 2017 Grant, Promethean recognised an opportunity to offer schools a chance to once again get their hands on the technology, despite facing increasing budgetary pressures.

In their video entry, Northcote Baptist Community Preschool's children explained how an ActivPanel's large screen would help them with their digital learning and coding; all through the concept of NITs - No Interactive Technology Screens!

Elizabeth Lupton, Lead Teacher at Northcote Baptist Community Preschool said: "We are really excited, this is such a great opportunity for our preschool - we are so pleased that our video was a success.

"We are doing some really amazing things by integrating coding and digital story book making

into our daily teaching. Whilst our tablets are a great resource, having a large screen will help the kids to share their work, speak up and outwards."



Alistair Hayward, Head of UKI and ANZ Markets at Promethean, commented: "Schools are facing increasing financial pressures and at the same time are expected to create and maintain successful learning environments. We are incredibly passionate about education and believe that all schools should be able to access the latest technology to enhance learning and teaching experiences. We saw an opportunity to help schools receive these Edtech packages whilst encouraging them to embrace their creativity."

Northcote Baptist Community Preschool's ActivPanel was installed in November. The ActivPanel acts as an immersive and collaborative learning centre, which will help teachers and pupils alike with their lessons. With the ability to connect with other learning devices, such as laptops and tablets, pupils will be able to share their work with the class and peer-assess, alongside being able to utilise the multi-touch functionality for small groups. Promethean is looking forward to developing a partnership with the winning school to help them get the most out of the technology.

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