



Premier's Debating Challenge for Years 5&6 HUNTER/CENTRAL COAST

Dear Debating Coordinator

Welcome to the 2009 Premier's Debating Challenge for Years 5&6. In this package you will find details of this year's competition, including school contact information, the draw for 2009 and general information on the competition.

Rules & Organisation

- The Premier's Debating Challenge for Years 5&6 is open to all NSW government primary and central schools.
- Different students can make up a team for different debates, but no student may appear for both Team A and Team B. Once a student has appeared for Team A, they may not appear for Team B at any stage of the competition, and vice versa.
- Teams consist of four students with one acting as the team's adviser in the preparation room and during the debate.
- Teams entering the competition have been organised into Zones, where they will debate each other in a round-robin format.
- Zone debates are organised by the schools involved. The home school will be listed on the draw, and that school will contact their opponent and an adjudicator to arrange a suitable time and date for the debate.
- Zone winners then proceed to a knock-out stage of the competition until a regional winner has been determined.
- The ten regional winners attend a three-day camp at Stanwell Tops Conference Centre, 8-11 November, and compete in a series of debates to decide the state champion. (Schools involved at this stage should be aware that they will incur travel and accommodation costs).
- The speaking time in the Years 5&6 competition is 4 minutes, with a warning bell at three minutes and a continuous bell at five minutes.
- Teams will have 60 minutes in which to prepare their case without a teacher.
- Teams may not take any notes or research into the preparation rooms. Pens, blank paper, palm cards and stopwatches are allowed.

Hosting a Debate

- The home school should contact the visiting school and the adjudicator as soon as possible to arrange the debate.
- Host schools should prepare their own debating kit which should include palm cards, blank paper, pens and a stopwatch for each team.
- Host schools should try to provide some refreshments for after the debate.
- Host schools accept responsibility for duty of care for visiting students.
- Schools should make every effort to complete their debates by the deadlines outlined below. Where this is not possible, adjustments can be made as needed through consultation with the Local Coordinator.
- If a host school has not contacted you to arrange a debate before the deadline closes, or if a visiting school continuously fails to return calls, please contact your Local Coordinator.
- A forfeit is a win to the other team.
- Please note that a forfeit disadvantages all the teams in the zone, so every effort should be made to complete your debates on time.

Dates and Topic Areas

Round	Topic area	To be completed by	
1	Education	Week 2	Term 2
2	The Media	Week 5	Term 2
3	Australian Society	Week 8	Term 2
4	Health & Fitness	Week 11	Term 2
5 (if needed)	General	Week 3	Term 3
Zone Winners To be finalised by Week 5 Term 3 (Friday 28 August)			
Regional Finals To be held in Weeks 8 – 10 Term 3			
State Finals Stanwell Tops Centre, Sun 8 to Wed 11 November			

Local Coordinators

- Each area of the Hunter/Central Coast Region has a local coordinator to assist with organisation. Their contact details are included at the front of the draw.
- If you have any problems organising your debates, please contact your Local Coordinator as soon as possible.

Topics & Coin Toss

- Topics in sealed envelopes are included in this package for any debate you are hosting. It is the host school's responsibility to keep these topics secret.
- The topic envelope should be opened in the presence of the two teams just before preparation time begins.
- Only the students involved in the debate may take part in topic selection. Coaches and other adults must not be involved.
- Teams will rank the topics from 1 to 3. Both 3rd choices will be eliminated, and the highest-rated topic chosen. Where two remaining topics are equally popular, a coin toss shall decide between them.
- The toss of a coin will determine affirmative/negative. The winner of the toss is the affirmative.

Results

- Included in this package is a combined Chairperson's Form/Results Fax.
- The top section of this form should be completed by the chairperson, and used during the debate.
- At the end of the debate, the winning coach is responsible for ensuring that all sections (top & bottom) of the form are completed, and that both coaches and the adjudicator have signed off on the result.
- The winning coach should fax the form to The Arts Unit as soon as possible.
- Alternatively, results can now be emailed to debating@det.nsw.edu.au. Be sure to include the round, schools involved, topic, adjudicator's name and winner.
- Should you be unable to secure signatures or remember some of these details, it's still important that you contact us with the result as soon as possible.

On behalf of the State Coordinator for Debating & Public Speaking, I commend your school for being involved in the Premier's Debating Challenge this year. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions about the competition.

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LOCAL COORDINATOR INFORMATION

If you run into any problems organising your debates, or have any questions about the Premier's Debating Challenge in your area, you should begin by contacting your Local Coordinator, whose details are listed below. They'll be able to help out, or pass on your query to the Regional Coordinator or to the State Coordinator. The name of your area is included next to the zone number below (please note that the Newcastle Schools draw is not included here, and has already been sent out to the teams involved).

Area	Name & School	School Phone	School Fax
Central Coast	Robyn Balcomb, Mannering Park PS	4359 1184	4359 1667
Lake Macquarie	Lee Saurins, Floraville PS	4945 4845	4947 7669
Newcastle	Pam Richardson, Kahibah PS	4943 4501	4942 2590
Maitland	Sally Halliday, Paterson PS	4938 5114	4938 5226
Upper Hunter	Kylie Stafford, Singleton Heights PS	6573 1363	6573 1414

ZONE 1 (Central Coast Schools)

1a	<u>Ettalong Public School</u>	v	Woy Woy South Public School
1b	<u>Avoca Beach Public School</u>	v	Copacabana Public School
1c	<u>Umina Public School</u>	v	Point Claire Public School
2a	<u>Ettalong Public School</u>	v	Avoca Beach Public School
2b	<u>Point Claire Public School</u>	v	Copacabana Public School
2c	<u>Woy Woy South Public School</u>	v	Umina Public School
3a	<u>Point Claire Public School</u>	v	Ettalong Public School
3b	<u>Copacabana Public School</u>	v	Umina Public School
3c	<u>Avoca Beach Public School</u>	v	Woy Woy South Public School
4a	<u>Copacabana Public School</u>	v	Ettalong Public School
4b	<u>Umina Public School</u>	v	Avoca Beach Public School
4c	<u>Woy Woy South Public School</u>	v	Point Claire Public School

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ZONE 2 (Central Coast Schools)			
1a	<u>Gosford Public School</u>	v	Holgate Public School
1b	<u>Erina Heights Public School</u>	v	Lisarow Public School
	Bateau Bay Public School	–	BYE
2a	<u>Bateau Bay Public School</u>	v	Lisarow Public School
2b	<u>Erina Heights Public School</u>	v	Gosford Public School
	Holgate Public School	–	BYE
3a	<u>Gosford Public School</u>	v	Bateau Bay Public School
3b	<u>Holgate Public School</u>	v	Erina Heights Public School
	Lisarow Public School	–	BYE
4a	<u>Holgate Public School</u>	v	Bateau Bay Public School
4b	<u>Lisarow Public School</u>	v	Gosford Public School
	Erina Heights Public School	–	BYE
5a	<u>Lisarow Public School</u>	v	Holgate Public School
5b	<u>Bateau Bay Public School</u>	v	Erina Heights Public School
	Gosford Public School	–	BYE
ZONE 3 (Central Coast Schools)			
1a	<u>Tuggerah Public School</u>	v	Gorokan Public School (A)
1b	<u>Wyong Public School</u>	v	Chertsey Public School
	Gorokan Public School (B)	–	BYE
2a	<u>Gorokan Public School (B)</u>	v	Chertsey Public School
2b	<u>Wyong Public School</u>	v	Tuggerah Public School
	Gorokan Public School (A)	–	BYE
3a	<u>Tuggerah Public School</u>	v	Gorokan Public School (B)
3b	<u>Gorokan Public School (A)</u>	v	Wyong Public School
	Chertsey Public School	–	BYE
4a	<u>Gorokan Public School (A)</u>	v	Gorokan Public School (B)
4b	<u>Chertsey Public School</u>	v	Tuggerah Public School
	Wyong Public School	–	BYE
5a	<u>Chertsey Public School</u>	v	Gorokan Public School (A)
5b	<u>Gorokan Public School (B)</u>	v	Wyong Public School
	Tuggerah Public School	–	BYE

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ZONE 4 (Central Coast Schools)			
1a	<u>Mannering Park Public School</u>	v	Northlakes Public School (A)
1b	<u>Lake Munmorah Public School</u>	v	Blue Haven Public School
	Northlakes Public School (B)	–	BYE
2a	<u>Northlakes Public School (B)</u>	v	Blue Haven Public School
2b	<u>Lake Munmorah Public School</u>	v	Mannering Park Public School
	Northlakes Public School (A)	–	BYE
3a	<u>Mannering Park Public School</u>	v	Northlakes Public School (B)
3b	<u>Northlakes Public School (A)</u>	v	Lake Munmorah Public School
	Blue Haven Public School	–	BYE
4a	<u>Northlakes Public School (A)</u>	v	Northlakes Public School (B)
4b	<u>Blue Haven Public School</u>	v	Mannering Park Public School
	Lake Munmorah Public School	–	BYE
5a	<u>Blue Haven Public School</u>	v	Northlakes Public School (A)
5b	<u>Northlakes Public School (B)</u>	v	Lake Munmorah Public School
	Mannering Park Public School	–	BYE
ZONE 5 (Lake Macquarie Schools)			
1a	<u>Belmont Public School</u>	v	Booragul Public School (A)
1b	<u>Floraville Public School</u>	v	Jewells Public School
	Booragul Public School (B)	–	BYE
2a	<u>Booragul Public School (B)</u>	v	Jewells Public School
2b	<u>Floraville Public School</u>	v	Belmont Public School
	Booragul Public School (A)	–	BYE
3a	<u>Belmont Public School</u>	v	Booragul Public School (B)
3b	<u>Booragul Public School (A)</u>	v	Floraville Public School
	Jewells Public School	–	BYE
4a	<u>Booragul Public School (A)</u>	v	Booragul Public School (B)
4b	<u>Jewells Public School</u>	v	Belmont Public School
	Floraville Public School	–	BYE
5a	<u>Jewells Public School</u>	v	Booragul Public School (A)
5b	<u>Booragul Public School (B)</u>	v	Floraville Public School
	Belmont Public School	–	BYE

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ZONE 6 (Lake Macquarie Schools)			
1a	<u>Blackalls Park Public School</u>	v	Rathmines Public School (B)
1b	<u>Rathmines Public School (A)</u>	v	Elernmore Vale Public School
2a	<u>Blackalls Park Public School</u>	v	Rathmines Public School (A)
2b	<u>Rathmines Public School (B)</u>	v	Elernmore Vale Public School
3a	<u>Elernmore Vale Public School</u>	v	Blackalls Park Public School
3b	<u>Rathmines Public School (A)</u>	v	Rathmines Public School (B)
4a	<u>Blackalls Park Public School</u>	v	Rathmines Public School (B)
4b	<u>Rathmines Public School (A)</u>	v	Elernmore Vale Public School
ZONE 7 (Maitland Schools)			
1a	<u>Ashtonfield Public School (A)</u>	v	Ashtonfield Public School (B)
1b	<u>Iona Public School</u>	v	Maitland East Public School (A)
1c	<u>Thornton Public School</u>	v	Maitland East Public School (B)
2a	<u>Maitland East Public School (B)</u>	v	Maitland East Public School (A)
2b	<u>Iona Public School</u>	v	Ashtonfield Public School (A)
2c	<u>Ashtonfield Public School (B)</u>	v	Thornton Public School
3a	<u>Ashtonfield Public School (A)</u>	v	Maitland East Public School (B)
3b	<u>Maitland East Public School (A)</u>	v	Thornton Public School
3c	<u>Ashtonfield Public School (B)</u>	v	Iona Public School
4a	<u>Thornton Public School</u>	v	Iona Public School
4b	<u>Maitland East Public School (A)</u>	v	Ashtonfield Public School (A)
4c	<u>Maitland East Public School (B)</u>	v	Ashtonfield Public School (B)

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ZONE 8 (Maitland Schools)			
1a	<u>Tenambit Public School (A)</u>	v	Tenambit Public School (B)
1b	<u>Maitland Public School</u>	v	Telarah Public School (A)
1c	<u>Bellbird Public School</u>	v	Telarah Public School (B)
2a	<u>Telarah Public School (B)</u>	v	Telarah Public School (A)
2b	<u>Maitland Public School</u>	v	Tenambit Public School (A)
2c	<u>Tenambit Public School (B)</u>	v	Bellbird Public School
3a	<u>Tenambit Public School (A)</u>	v	Telarah Public School (B)
3b	<u>Telarah Public School (A)</u>	v	Bellbird Public School
3c	<u>Tenambit Public School (B)</u>	v	Maitland Public School
4a	<u>Bellbird Public School</u>	v	Maitland Public School
4b	<u>Telarah Public School (A)</u>	v	Tenambit Public School (A)
4c	<u>Telarah Public School (B)</u>	v	Tenambit Public School (B)
ZONE 9 (Maitland Schools)			
1a	<u>Medowie Public School</u>	v	Soldiers Point Public School (A)
1b	<u>Soldiers Point Public School (B)</u>	v	Raymond Terrace Public School
1c	<u>Tanilba Bay Public School</u>	v	Tomaree Public School
1d	<u>Wirreanda Public School</u>	v	Clarence Town Public School
2a	<u>Medowie Public School</u>	v	Tanilba Bay Public School
2b	<u>Clarence Town Public School</u>	v	Raymond Terrace Public School
2c	<u>Soldiers Point Public School (A)</u>	v	Tomaree Public School
2d	<u>Wirreanda Public School</u>	v	Soldiers Point Public School (B)
3a	<u>Tomaree Public School</u>	v	Medowie Public School
3b	<u>Raymond Terrace Public School</u>	v	Wirreanda Public School
3c	<u>Tanilba Bay Public School</u>	v	Soldiers Point Public School (A)
3d	<u>Soldiers Point Public School (B)</u>	v	Clarence Town Public School
4a	<u>Raymond Terrace Public School</u>	v	Medowie Public School
4b	<u>Clarence Town Public School</u>	v	Tanilba Bay Public School
4c	<u>Tomaree Public School</u>	v	Wirreanda Public School
4d	<u>Soldiers Point Public School (A)</u>	v	Soldiers Point Public School (B)

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ZONE 10 (Upper Hunter Schools)			
1a	<u>Broke Public School</u>	v	Kirkton Public School (A)
1b	<u>Scone Public School (A)</u>	v	Scone Public School (B)
	Kirkton Public School (B)	–	BYE
2a	<u>Kirkton Public School (B)</u>	v	Scone Public School (B)
2b	<u>Scone Public School (A)</u>	v	Broke Public School
	Kirkton Public School (A)	–	BYE
3a	<u>Broke Public School</u>	v	Kirkton Public School (B)
3b	<u>Kirkton Public School (A)</u>	v	Scone Public School (A)
	Scone Public School (B)	–	BYE
4a	<u>Kirkton Public School (A)</u>	v	Kirkton Public School (B)
4b	<u>Scone Public School (B)</u>	v	Broke Public School
	Scone Public School (A)	–	BYE
5a	<u>Scone Public School (B)</u>	v	Kirkton Public School (A)
5b	<u>Kirkton Public School (B)</u>	v	Scone Public School (A)
	Broke Public School	–	BYE
ZONE 11 (Upper Hunter Schools)			
1a	<u>Mount Pleasant Public School</u>	v	King Street Public School (A)
1b	<u>Singleton Heights Public School (A)</u>	v	Singleton Heights Public School (B)
	King Street Public School (B)	–	BYE
2a	<u>King Street Public School (B)</u>	v	Singleton Heights Public School (B)
2b	<u>Singleton Heights Public School (A)</u>	v	Mount Pleasant Public School
	King Street Public School (A)	–	BYE
3a	<u>Mount Pleasant Public School</u>	v	King Street Public School (B)
3b	<u>King Street Public School (A)</u>	v	Singleton Heights Public School (A)
	Singleton Heights Public School (B)	–	BYE
4a	<u>King Street Public School (A)</u>	v	King Street Public School (B)
4b	<u>Singleton Heights Public School (B)</u>	v	Mount Pleasant Public School
	Singleton Heights Public School (A)	–	BYE
5a	<u>Singleton Heights Public School (B)</u>	v	King Street Public School (A)
5b	<u>King Street Public School (B)</u>	v	Singleton Heights Public School (A)
	Mount Pleasant Public School	–	BYE

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ZONE 12 (Newcastle Schools)			
1a	<u>New Lambton Public School</u>	v	Adamstown Public School
1b	<u>Kotara South Public School</u>	v	Hillsborough Public School (A)
1c	<u>New Lambton South Public School</u>	v	Hillsborough Public School (B)
2a	<u>Adamstown Public School</u>	v	Hillsborough Public School (A)
2b	<u>New Lambton Public School</u>	v	New Lambton South Public School
2c	<u>Hillsborough Public School (B)</u>	v	Kotara South Public School
3a	<u>Hillsborough Public School (A)</u>	v	New Lambton South Public School
3b	<u>Kotara South Public School</u>	v	Adamstown Public School
3c	<u>Hillsborough Public School (B)</u>	v	New Lambton Public School
4a	<u>New Lambton South Public School</u>	v	Kotara South Public School
4b	<u>Hillsborough Public School (A)</u>	v	New Lambton Public School
4c	<u>Adamstown Public School</u>	v	Hillsborough Public School (B)
5a	<u>New Lambton Public School</u>	v	Kotara South Public School
5b	<u>New Lambton South Public School</u>	v	Adamstown Public School
5c	<u>Hillsborough Public School (B)</u>	v	Hillsborough Public School (A)
ZONE 13 (Newcastle Schools)			
1a	<u>Kahibah Public School</u>	v	Dudley Public School
1b	<u>Charlestown Public School</u>	v	Charlestown South Public School
1c	<u>Charlestown East Public School</u>	v	Belair Public School
2a	<u>Dudley Public School</u>	v	Charlestown South Public School
2b	<u>Kahibah Public School</u>	v	Charlestown East Public School
2c	<u>Belair Public School</u>	v	Charlestown Public School
3a	<u>Charlestown South Public School</u>	v	Charlestown East Public School
3b	<u>Charlestown Public School</u>	v	Dudley Public School
3c	<u>Belair Public School</u>	v	Kahibah Public School
4a	<u>Charlestown East Public School</u>	v	Charlestown Public School
4b	<u>Charlestown South Public School</u>	v	Kahibah Public School
4c	<u>Dudley Public School</u>	v	Belair Public School
5a	<u>Kahibah Public School</u>	v	Charlestown Public School
5b	<u>Charlestown East Public School</u>	v	Dudley Public School
5c	<u>Belair Public School</u>	v	Charlestown South Public School

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ZONE 14 (Newcastle Schools)			
1a	<u>Plattsburg Public School</u>	v	West Wallsend Public School
1b	<u>Glendore Public School</u>	v	Heaton Public School
1c	<u>Wallsend South Public School</u>	v	Cardiff North Public School
2a	<u>West Wallsend Public School</u>	v	Heaton Public School
2b	<u>Plattsburg Public School</u>	v	Wallsend South Public School
2c	<u>Cardiff North Public School</u>	v	Glendore Public School
3a	<u>Heaton Public School</u>	v	Wallsend South Public School
3b	<u>Glendore Public School</u>	v	West Wallsend Public School
3c	<u>Cardiff North Public School</u>	v	Plattsburg Public School
4a	<u>Wallsend South Public School</u>	v	Glendore Public School
4b	<u>Heaton Public School</u>	v	Plattsburg Public School
4c	<u>West Wallsend Public School</u>	v	Cardiff North Public School
5a	<u>Plattsburg Public School</u>	v	Glendore Public School
5b	<u>Wallsend South Public School</u>	v	West Wallsend Public School
5c	<u>Cardiff North Public School</u>	v	Heaton Public School

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ZONE 15 (Newcastle Schools)			
1a	<u>Merewether Public School</u>	v	Hamilton North Public School
1b	<u>Tighes Hill Public School</u>	v	Hamilton Public School
1c	<u>Hamilton South Public School</u>	v	The Junction Public School
1d	Newcastle East Public School	–	BYE
2a	<u>Hamilton Public School</u>	v	Hamilton North Public School
2b	<u>The Junction Public School</u>	v	Merewether Public School
2c	<u>Newcastle East Public School</u>	v	Tighes Hill Public School
2d	<u>Hamilton South Public School</u>	–	BYE
3a	<u>Hamilton Public School</u>	v	The Junction Public School
3b	<u>Hamilton North Public School</u>	v	Newcastle East Public School
3c	<u>Hamilton South Public School</u>	v	Merewether Public School
3d	<u>Tighes Hill Public School</u>	–	BYE
4a	<u>The Junction Public School</u>	v	Newcastle East Public School
4b	<u>Hamilton Public School</u>	v	Hamilton South Public School
4c	<u>Hamilton North Public School</u>	v	Tighes Hill Public School
4d	<u>Merewether Public School</u>	–	BYE
5a	<u>Newcastle East Public School</u>	v	Hamilton South Public School
5b	<u>Tighes Hill Public School</u>	v	The Junction Public School
5c	<u>Merewether Public School</u>	v	Hamilton Public School
5d	Hamilton North Public School	–	BYE
6a	<u>Hamilton South Public School</u>	v	Tighes Hill Public School
6b	<u>Newcastle East Public School</u>	v	Merewether Public School
6c	<u>The Junction Public School</u>	v	Hamilton North Public School
6d	Hamilton Public School	–	BYE
7a	<u>Tighes Hill Public School</u>	v	Merewether Public School
7b	<u>Hamilton North Public School</u>	v	Hamilton South Public School
7c	<u>Newcastle East Public School</u>	v	Hamilton Public School
7d	The Junction Public School	–	BYE



CHAIRPERSON'S SCRIPT & RESULTS FAX

I welcome you to the _____ round of the Premier's Debating Challenge for Year(s) _____

This debate is between _____ (A / B) and _____ (A / B)

The Affirmative team, from:

The Negative team, from:

School is:

School is:

1st Speaker _____

1st Speaker _____

2nd Speaker _____

2nd Speaker _____

3rd Speaker _____

3rd Speaker _____

Team Adviser _____

Team Adviser _____

The Adjudicator for this debate is: _____

Each speaker may speak for _____ minutes. There will be a warning bell at _____ minutes with two bells at _____ minutes to indicate that the speaker's time has expired. A bell will be rung continuously if the speaker exceeds the maximum time by more than one minute. As a courtesy to the speakers, please ensure that all mobile phones are switched off.

The topic for this debate is: _____

Please welcome the 1st speaker of the Affirmative to open the debate. *(After each speaker, wait for a signal from the adjudicator and then introduce the next speaker).*

(After the debate) Please welcome the adjudicator to announce the result of this debate.

(After the adjudication) A speaker will now congratulate the winning team.

(After the congratulations) A speaker from the winning team will now respond.

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Winning Team Name: _____

Home Coach: _____
(Signature)

Away Coach: _____
(Signature)

Adjudicator: _____
(Signature)

Debate Date: _____ / _____ / _____

The home school should ensure that all of the top section is completed *(round number, age division, topic, team A or B & adjudicator's name)*. **The home school** should then collect the signatures needed and fax this entire page to the number above. Please note that results can also be emailed to debating@det.nsw.edu.au