

# MEDIA RELEASE



The Hon **David Hawker** MP  
Federal Member for Wannon



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## ARARAT PRIMARY SCHOOL PRODUCING WINNING MUSICAL TALENT

Ararat Primary School students have won third prize in the Grades 1 & 2 category of the Australian Children's Music Foundation (ACMF) National Songwriting Competition.

Federal Member for Wannon, David Hawker, today congratulated Lachlan Meehan, Kiara Madex, Lachlan Fiegert, Tahnee Sobey, Abbie Bligh, Lakita Preston, Joshua Boyd, Lily O'Fynn, Sam Drew, Cortney Smith and Emily Sheffield who have been rewarded for their winning musical ensemble with a certificate and \$300 in tuition or musical equipment for their school.

"The ACMF conducts this National Songwriting Competition for every Primary, Secondary and Specific Purpose School across Australia. Entry to the competition is free and a total of \$40,000 in prizes is distributed," Mr Hawker said.

"The ACMF also runs other music programs aimed at disadvantaged and indigenous children. The National Songwriting Competition is now in its seventh year and is a much loved competition by parents, teachers and students from all around Australia.

"I congratulate Ararat Primary School and its talented students on competing so successfully in this worthwhile competition," Mr Hawker said.

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