



WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING?



Well we hope you had a great Christmas holidays, and that you were able to catch up with us at some point.

We had another really fun day for our state-wide Christmas party in Launceston, and had some really great feedback about how awesome it was.

We also attended the putalina Festival again this year out at Oyster Cove/putalina, with so many great activities, crafts and food. There were even some young people who tried mutton bird.

We then headed up to the Northwest for a state-wide camp with around 15 young people. It was an amazing experience and our Young Consultants increased their skills in so many areas.



JOKE OF THE MONTH!



Q: Why isn't beef casserole a good enough password?

A: Because it isn't stroganoff.



EVENT: JANUARY CAMP

Massive shout out and huge congratulations to everyone who came along to our state-wide camp at Camp Clayton. It was amazing watching all of you grow even more as amazing Young Consultants. I'm excited to see all the incredible advocacy work you'll do with us in the future!

During camp we got to complete Speak Up Level 2 and 3, where we learnt about the different types of advocacy, build on our communication skills, and learnt how to effectively represent the voices of young people in care. We even got to do a super cool CREATE Your Future (Legit Wellbeing) workshop with Heather and Danni. As well as making some amazing friends and memories along the way.

We were all very impressed with everyone's positive energy and enthusiasm throughout camp and we cannot wait to see you all again.

STAFF UPDATE



Hey everyone,

It is just a few short months until I head off on Maternity leave to welcome baby number 2! So, I thought I would take the opportunity to say....have a fab time while I am gone. I look forward to hearing about all of your achievements and the exciting things you have been up to with CREATE when I return. Keep kicking goals and creating positive change within the care system, it's been amazing working alongside you all and I can't wait to continue our work together when I am back on board :)

I look forward to seeing a few of you at upcoming events and programs before I head off in April!



WATERSLIDE PARTY!

We are always looking forward to visiting awesome Ulverstone for the waterslide party. This year was a stunner! The barbeques were sizzling, the water was flowing down the slides and the park was buzzing with children and young people playing games. Such a great place to catch up with clubCREATE members and hear from you about what it's like living in the North West of our beautiful state!

As always, we really appreciate the chance to connect with children and young people and hear about what matters to you.

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YOU ROCK!

Spotlight on: Jubes!

Tell us a little about the amazing conference you recently attended?

Well, it was held in Melbourne in order for many people's voices to be heard, about the current state of the out of home care system in Australia.

What was the best part of the conference for you? Meeting all the carers, case workers and young people from around the country, and hearing their stories.

What messages from the conference do you want to share with ClubCREATE members? Young people's voices were REALLY heard - and it's amazing knowing something will be done about it!



UPCOMING EVENT



Happy Easter everyone!

Hope to see you at our amazing Easter Party also celebrating sibling day in Launceston!! The party will in the April school holidays and there will be heeeeeeaps of cool stuff there! The Easter bunny will be making a special appearance and just might be leaving tasty easter eggs hidden all around for you to find!! CREATE will be collaborating with Key Assets on this event, with a focus on sibling connection.

YOU SAID WE DID IT!

Over past few months at Youth Advisory Groups we have been collecting key messages for the kids of foster parents. We had feedback that it would be great for these kids to know, a bit more about what it's like for a kid or young person in care. So we are creating a poster or pamphlet as resource for the kids of foster parents, based on young people's key messages. COOL HEY?

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EVENTS CALENDAR *COMING SOON!*

<i>DATE</i>	<i>WHAT</i>	<i>WHERE</i>	<i>WHEN</i>	<i>CONTACT</i>
March	Youth Advisory Group	Hobart	Call us	Tenielle
March	Create Your Future	Hobart	Call us	Heather
April	Sibling Day / Easter party	Launceston	Call us	Skylah
April	Youth Advisory Group	Devonport	Call us	Tenielle
April	Create Your Future	Devonport	Call us	Heather
May	Youth Advisory Group	Hobart	Call us	Tenielle

SHOUT OUT!

A quick shout out to the awesome members of the Child Advocate's Youth Change Makers. As well as our meet ups in all three regions of Tassie, we're also getting together each holidays in Campbell Town to meet other young people over a BBQ and games. Thank you so much everyone who's directly helping improve the child safety system!

THE TEAM



GET IN CONTACT

If you would like to register for any of our events, find out the missing details or get information about CREATE head to our TAS page on www.create.org.au or contact us at **03 6281 9243** or tas@create.org.au



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