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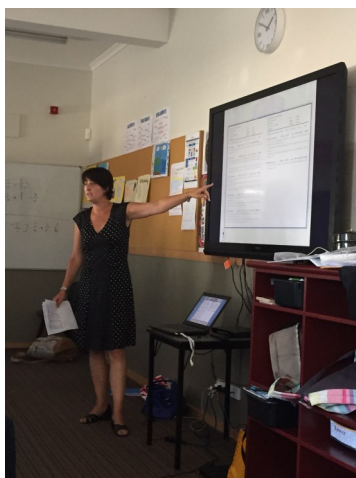
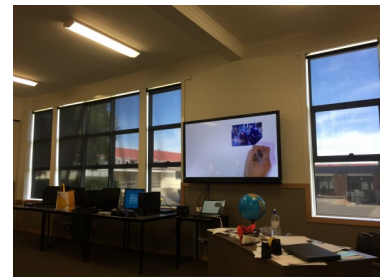
Welcome

to our first newsletter! 😊 Our aim is to show you what the Community Legal Education (CLE) team have been doing across Tasmania, to tell you about our future plans and to share with you some of our resources. We provide CLE free of charge to schools and community organisations across the state and we welcome the opportunity to speak to your group. Have a look inside for more information, hit us up on the web, find us on Facebook and watch us on Youtube. And we're always happy to talk about how we can help you.

Choose Your Own Adventure Sessions

This year the CLE Team developed a Legal Education Program for use in schools entitled 'Choose Your Own Adventure'. It sets out real life situations that young people find themselves in, spells out the consequences and encourages them to look at the impact their actions may have on others.

The chapters developed so far include: stealing, drinking and fighting. The sessions are presented by a solicitor, include a photo board of the story and a short video. There are activity sheets to engage the students in each chapter journey and at the final review session, a Youth Justice Court charge sheet that indicates potential charges faced by the student based on choices they made along the way.

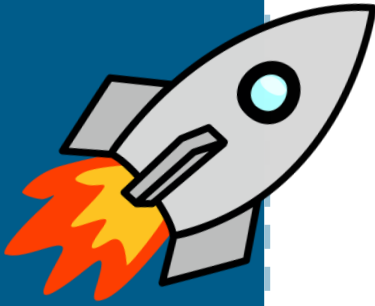


A big thank you to Deloraine High School Grade 7 students who road tested this program in November and December this year over four weeks. Both the students and the teachers found the sessions interesting, informative and they wanted more.

We are already taking bookings for 2016, and developing future chapters about age of consent for sex and bullying online. Give us a call on 1300 366 611 to find out more or email us at cle@legalaid.tas.gov.au to make a booking.

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LACT Launches New Website

On the 12th August 2015, the Legal Aid Commission of Tasmania launched a new look website. It has [Fact Sheets](#), [Self Help Kits](#) and [guides on representing yourself](#). All the sort of info you want to have at your fingertips when you have a question. These materials are being constantly added to so if you can't find what you are looking for, inbox us or call and speak to a lawyer direct on 1 300 366 611. There's even a section on the website dedicated to [Community Education](#), including a link on how to book a session. So, jump online to find out more: www.legalaid.tas.gov.au Helping you with your legal problem.

Did you know.....

...that the CLE team not only go out to schools, but also provide legal information sessions for large or small community groups and the general public? We can speak on a variety of legal topics and even tailor a session to suit your particular needs. The sessions are free of charge and bookings are easy. Call us on 1300 366 611 or

*“Thank you , the way you related to others was not intimidating and very engaging”
(comment from a CLE participant)*



In the months of August and September the Community Legal Education team has travelled around the state and talked about the following legal issues:

- o Online behaviour
- o Going it Alone, legal issues for young adults
- o Youth law, crime, age of consent, alcohol and drugs
- o Wills, power of attorney and end of life planning
- o Family law and family violence
- o Drugs and Alcohol
- o Legal Aid Services
- o So you want to be a lawyer
- o Top 5 tips to stay out of trouble
- o Child Care—duty of care, privacy, child protection
- o Guardianship and mental health





Facebook and Legal Aid Tasmania

Did you know that the Legal Aid Commission of Tasmania has a Facebook page?

The CLE team regularly updates the Legal Aid Facebook page with interesting legal facts and information. If there is a specific topic you would like to know more about, why not send us a private message.

Check out our page at: www.facebook.com/LegalAidTasmania

*I am not a
product of my
circumstances.
I am a product
of my
decisions.
(Stephen Covey)*

How are we funded?

The CLE program does not take funding away from lawyers acting for clients. We receive separate funding for the purposes of early intervention and prevention programs. We aim to inform and build individual and community resilience through legal education, information and referral but also to help people resolve their problem earlier on or before it gets worse.

“Better to have a fence at the top of the cliff than a fleet of ambulances at the bottom.” (Suzie Forell, *Is Early Intervention Timely?* Justice Issues Paper 20, Law and Justice Foundation NSW, August 2015)

Legal Aid on YouTube

Watch us on
YouTube

The Legal Aid Commission of Tasmania also has a YouTube channel where you can watch our videos on the following topics:

- o What is Legal Aid
- o Family law
- o The Police and you
- o Legal representation
- o Common neighbourhood issues—fences and dogs
- o Family violence
- o Powers of Attorney and Wills
- o Social media and youth
- o Privacy
- o Alcohol and partying
- o The law and you



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Apps/Websites of interest....



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provides
telephone and
online support
for men.

<https://www.mensline.org.au>



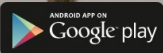

Daisy
connecting women

**VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN
IS UNACCEPTABLE.**

Nothing you do, say, drink or wear means you deserve unwanted sexual contact, violence or controlling behaviour.

Services are there to support you. Daisy is a free app that easily connects you to a wide range of services in your state and local area. 1800RESPECT.org.au/daisy

1800RESPECT Funded by the Australian Government Department of Social Services.



Daisy is a free app that connects women who are experiencing or have experienced sexual assault, domestic and family violence to services in their state and local area.