

# CHOOSE RESPECT

RESPECT IS TO TREAT WITH CARE AND CONSIDERATION

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## Choose Respect Event Succeeds Despite Blackout

Not even a power blackout could dampen the spirits of around 150 people who attended the Choose Respect Event last Wednesday at Carey Park Primary School.

The event, a celebration of the success of the Choose Respect Champions, drew a large crowd of existing supporters and those interested in finding out more about how they can make a difference in their community.

There were also many Carey Park Primary School children and parents who attended to help make the event a success.



**Students from Carey Park Primary School perform at the Choose Respect Event.**

"It was a great evening, despite the blackout, which occurred towards the end of the event when the formal part of the evening was drawing to a close" Sarah-Jane Smith, Choose Respect Project Facilitator said.

"The speakers were really inspiring and gave everyone a taste of what being a Champion of Choose Respect is all about."

"Champions are ordinary people in the community who help us spread the Choose Respect message simply by treating everyone around them with care and consideration. This night was all about how they have helped to make Choose Respect a success."

"The highlight of the night was probably the performances from students. They stole the show with their own interpretation of Kate Miller-Heidke's, 'Caught in the Crowd and their lively rendition of the Choose Respect song".

"The teachers and parents must be very proud of the way they have used Choose Respect to create a better school environment for everyone."

The evening included presentations from the Local Member for Bunbury John Castrilli, MLA who talked about how anyone in our community can be a champion and the ability we have to make a difference to the lives of others.

Brian Kennedy, recently announced WA Senior of the Year, talked about using Choose Respect to help mentor young people at the Bunbury Runners club and his battle to overcome cancer and organise South West Bike Week.

Cliff Reeve and Nay Pearce from Wake Up on Radiowest were able to inspire people with their stories about how respecting others prevent conflict. Nay talked about how important it is for children and adults to have a healthy level of self-respect.

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