

Anjali tops National History Challenge

Meriden student, Anjali Popuri, has been named the Year 8 New South Wales State Winner of the 2022 National History Challenge.

This national competition invited students to submit a 1000-word research essay that addressed the theme of “Causes and Consequences”. Participants were encouraged to explore various topics in history and undertake deep research as part of a historical inquiry. Students were asked to utilise critical thinking skills and evaluate the usefulness of three sources utilised in their research.

Anjali wrote her essay on three core medical developments from modern history. She investigated the emergence of germ theory in the nineteenth century and its impact on public health initiatives in Industrial Britain. She also explored the development of X-ray technology at the turn of the century, leading to reduced casualties during the First World War. Finally, Anjali delved into the discovery of antibiotics and the role it played in the Allied victory in the Second World War.

Anjali has been invited to attend the presentation ceremony to be held next month at the Anzac Memorial in Hyde Park. She will be presented with her winner’s medallion alongside other state and national winners.

We congratulate Anjali on her prestigious award and success in this competition.

Ms Ashleigh Barrett
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Anjali Popuri, Year 8