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Huonville Library is hosting a sculpture display, with works created by talented students from Huonville Primary School involved in the Hands on Learning (HOL) programme.

An initiative of Save the Children, this programme has operated in Australia for the last 20 years, and aims to give students who are in danger of disengaging from school a sense of connectedness and belonging.

Participants work on real projects and are provided with a chance to experience success and discover their individual talents. Huonville was the first primary school in Tasmania to take part

in the scheme.

Since joining the programme, students have created a huge school garden, joined an Aboriginal yarning circle, completed the renovation of a shed, and built a five and a half ton wall which has become an outdoor classroom, all through collaboration and with the support and encouragement of their teachers.

Drawn from Years 3 to 6, this enterprise gives students the opportunity to develop manual, organisational and social skills and encourages them to extend their literacy, numeracy and communi-

cations competency through collaboration, problem solving, communication, resilience, empathy and creativity.

"The students explore the freedom to imagine, explore, experiment and extend themselves within the flexible environment, whilst developing critical and lateral thinking," said Matt Yost, HOL coordinator, Huonville Primary School.

You can view the fruits of the dedication and support of the teachers and the creativity of these accomplished young artists at Huonville Library. Be inspired.



Some of the pieces created by Huonville Primary School's Hands on Learning students, currently on display at Huonville Library. (PS)