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To: Principal

From: Matt Burke OAM, Secretary

Date: 12 March 2021

Subject: Invitation to participate in a design competition

Dear: participant

The Rotary Club of Wodonga West, on behalf of the combined 13 Rotary Clubs of Albury and Wodonga would like to kindly invite you and your school to participate in this exciting project.

The subject matter is the Rotary World Peace Bell and the design relates to the support structure requirement for this Japanese Peace Bell.

We see this as an opportunity for your students to participate in this highly visible regional Peace Project by **conceptually** designing this supporting structure.

The Rotary World Peace Bell is to be located at Sumsion Gardens/Belvoir Park in Wodonga

Thank you for your interest and please confirm your interest to participate via email by not later than EOB 19 March 2021 to the Secretary.

For further info on this project, please refer to : www.peacebellaw.com.au

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J.Weemaes

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Rotary World Peace Bell—Albury-Wodonga

A combined Rotary Clubs of Albury and Wodonga project

Background:

The idea of the World Peace Bell is to create a point of reflection for schools and the community to promote and celebrate Peace in the world, in the town, at the schools, on the street and at home. To eliminate bullying and aggression and to promote and celebrate acceptance and diversity

Every child is entitled to grow up in a peaceful environment and being offered the opportunity later in life to become Ambassadors for Peace.

The World Peace Bell Association is a Japanese organization which attempts to raise awareness of the World Peace movement by casting and installing Japanese temple bells in locations around the world.

Rotary Albury Wodonga is in the process to install a World Peace Bell at Belvoir park in Wodonga and candidly requests your support.

The World Peace Bell is to be rung on moments of reflection by schools, community or individuals.

A focal point will be created to assist in educating students and the community about the need for peace.

As an example: To celebrate **acceptance and diversity**

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| • Harmony Day | 21 March |
| • National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence | 28 March |
| • National "Sorry Day" | 26 May |
| • Celebrating International Day of Peace (UN) | 21 Sept |
| • White Ribbon Day (to end violence against woman and girls) | 23 Nov |

To celebrate **historic events and the impact on World Peace**

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| • Anzac day | 25 April |
| • End of WW2 Pacific Region | 2 Sept. |
| • End of WW1, Treaty of Versailles | 28 Jun |
| • Fall of Berlin Wall and German Reunification | 3 Oct. |
| • Remembrance day | 11 Nov |

It is expected that visits to the World Peace Bell are to be incorporated in school curriculum

Funded by local Rotary Clubs, The City of Wodonga, Albury City, business and private donations, sponsors, grants and school fund raising.

Design Competition

“A Place to Hang the Japanese Peace Bell....”



You are invited to present a conceptual design for the supporting structure for the :

Rotary World Peace Bell Albury-Wodonga

All Secondary Schools/High schools in Albury and Wodonga are invited to participate.

The Peace Bell needs to have a structure to hang the Bell and the external striker.

Design Criteria

Optional: to reflect its Japanese origin

The Bell to be visible from all directions to increase exposure to the cause of Peace.

The Bell weight is 365 Kg

The Bell height is 105 cm and diameter is 60 cm

Site Location: Wodonga, Belvoir Park / Sumsion Gardens, between Osburn Street and Huon Street

Advice from NECMA has indicated that the site would be subject to deep inundation

After your conceptual design has been received and declared the winning design, your design will be engineered and constructed by others to conform to the National Construction Code ABCB Standard 2012.3 Construction of Buildings in Flood Hazard areas.

1. Minimal earthworks will be made to marginally elevate the site to account for local drainage conditions.
2. Water resistant building materials that minimise the physical effects of flooding on the Bell Support structure will be used for foundations, footings and floor.
3. No walls to be erected.
4. No electricity is required.
5. The local nature environment will not be impacted by the construction of this Bell Support structure.

General design criteria:

1. A Floating Slab of 10 m. by 10 m. to be constructed according to engineering specifications
2. Optional : The World Peace Bell to be manually hoisted if so applicable to a level above 1% AEP
Hoisting mechanism to be safely and securely stored (if applicable) to avoid unauthorised access
3. All parts which form part of the exhibit to be constructed out of water resistant materials.

Design submissions close by EOB 8 April 2021. No submissions will be accepted after this date

Design to be hand delivered, emailed or posted to the Secretary . Winner to be selected by the Rotary World Peace Bell Albury-Wodonga management committee and notifications to all participants will go out by 12 April 2021

The winner or the winner's organization details will be engraved on a plaque cemented in/on the structure and will be published on local media.

All effort will be taken to ensure the winning conceptual design will be implemented during the detailed design phase

For details and submissions, please contact: the Secretary, Matt Burke OAM on mob: **0408 307 824**