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Message from the Hon Gladys Berejiklian MP, Premier of NSW

I extend my congratulations to all students who have participated in the 2018 NSW Premier's Spelling Bee.

The Spelling Bee provides the opportunity for students across NSW to learn new words and to explore the English language in an interesting and challenging way.

Spelling is the cornerstone of literacy and the spelling bee is invaluable in promoting the development of skills necessary for clear communication. It encourages our students to embrace a love of spelling and, in turn, a love of reading which will stay with them for the rest of their lives.

I am delighted to support the Spelling Bee, and I am proud of the achievements of our students in NSW. I thank the students, teachers and families who ensure the success of this rewarding event each year. I also extend my gratitude to ABC Radio Sydney and Macquarie Dictionary who have supported the NSW Premier's Spelling Bee since its inception, and to Scrabble and Modern Teachings Aids for their involvement in 2018.

I wish all spellers participating in the 2018 Premier's Spelling Bee State Final a rewarding and enjoyable experience. Best of luck!

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