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PEER SUPPORT PC CHALLENGES

Over the course of the last three terms, Year 7 have participated in the Peer Support Program with Year 11 Leaders. Part of this Program is to build strong connections between peers as well as across cohorts. Year 11 have run a number of PC Challenges across the terms to create valuable experiences for Year 7 to engage with and foster friendships within their PC class.

One event was a Minute to Win it challenge, where PC groups competed against each other in competitions that the Year 11 students designed. The Peer Support Leaders also ran a PC trivia event and a scavenger hunt which students enthusiastically participated in. These are great opportunities for Year 7 to build House Spirit and some friendly competition between the cohort.

Below are some comments from the Year 11 Peer Support Leaders:

- It was so exciting to see each PC contribute with enthusiasm and participation. My activity involved building the tallest tower possible using 10 mini marshmallows and 10 toothpicks. It was really interesting to observe the different strategies students used to keep their creations standing, some aiming for height while others thought of secure bases. I loved seeing the teamwork and encouragement students gave one another, this was a great way to build confidence and resilience.

- Each PC was able to work with one another effectively and communicate well with one another in order to get the maximum amount of points. The support and the way the kids were able to work together created a good environment/atmosphere and fostered a sense

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of community among them.

- The PC challenge was very interactive, and all the kids were so happy and excited in my PC class. The interactions between all the PC classes and other peer support leaders were really good as the kids got an open experience of all to most of the peer support leaders.

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