Dairy Australia has given a special mention to Pemberton District High School students for their entry into the latest Picasso Cow program.

The program brings the processes of the dairy industry to life in the classroom, by teaching students about dairy production.

Students are then asked to paint the process of milk production onto fibreglass cows, to show what they have learnt.

The school was one of eight recognised on the Dairy Australia website out of all entries across the country and one of five in the special mentions category.

Teachers Paul Griffiths and Jamie-Louise Guery organised the school’s entry and had primary students from each year group paint different segments of the cow.

“Year 1 and 2 painted the hooves, legs and face, Year 3 and 4 painted one side and Year 5 and 6 painted the other,” Ms Guery said.

“Each student came up with a concept and then they all worked together to create a final vision they were happy with.”

Mr Griffiths said the project had been great for students to learn about the dairy industry and how products ended up in stores. “Most students knew where milk came from, but very few knew the process of getting it ready for sale and were quite surprised to learn there was such a process to it,” he said. “This program was great for our students to do and it is amazing we were one of the top entries in the country, the students should be proud.”

Bella Dunnet, Arabella Omodei, Tatiana Thomas and Alexandra Otway stand with their entry in the Picasso Cow program.

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