

THE SIN BIN



Can ideas like this change people's behaviour?

Do you have a problem with students not using bins for their rubbish? What if students could vote with their recycling or rubbish? Could posing a fun new question each week encourage them to do the right thing?

This idea has been adapted from a campaign by an organisation called Hubbub in the UK. With the aim of cleaning up London's streets, the #neatstreets campaign has loads of clever ideas that are engaging, humorous and reward positive behaviours. Check out the [website](#) for more inspiring ideas!!



SRC CREATING LEADERS CONFERENCE - MURRUMBATEMAN

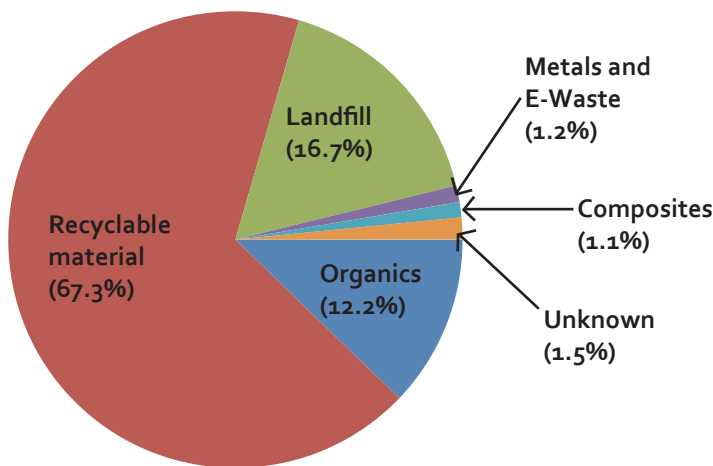
Outstanding high school student representatives from around the state descended on Murrumbateman for the annual five day SRC Creating Leaders Conference in week 8 of this term. Bournda EEC was invited back to the event for the third year, running workshops with students on waste education and sustainability. Doug Reckord from Bournda EEC took the opportunity to highlight the influence of technology, creativity and having fun on good leadership, getting participating students to work on short sketches about the issues they see with living sustainably and waste. Armed with imagination and iPads, the students worked very quickly to come up with a variety of thought provoking, humorous and musical videos demonstrating their take on waste...

[READ MORE AND WATCH THE VIDEO HERE!](#)

WASTE AUDIT AT MULWAREE HIGH SCHOOL

Mulwaree HS have joined the growing number of high schools across the SERRG region to undertake a waste audit as part of their participation in the SERRG In-School Waste program. The Student Representative Council and Agriculture Group undertook the audit on the 5th of August and discovered a surprising trend. Over 70% of waste created by the school was recyclable! This has spurred students towards beginning a recycling program at the school (read on!).

Waste Audit Results:



Need an activity to get your students thinking about waste in their school?

How about hosting an

Earth Friendly Lunch Day?



In the News...

[\(links to articles from across the world\)](#)

- Glastonbury leaves its mark
- Trash-Mapping expedition sheds light on 'Great Pacific Garbage Patch'
- Waste to wealth: the hidden potential of waste from fruit
- Cut-price 'ugly' supermarket food won't reduce waste - here's why
- Re-Use: From Vineyard Waste to Biofuel; Wineries Have Multiple Uses
- Poking around in fridges (UOW blog post)

Teaching Resources...

- EnviroWeek - teaching resources
- Cartoon on Plastic Bags by First Dog on the Moon

We are always looking for **good news stories or trash talk** to add to the next edition of the Sin Bin. If you have anything that you would like to share or are particularly proud of, get in touch with us here at Bournda EEC:

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Healthy Eating School Environments Network event

Canteen managers, Volunteers, P&C members, Teachers and any other school staff interested in building a healthy eating school environment are invited to this FREE event!

Tuesday 27th October 2015
Yass High School, Grampian Street, Yass
10.00 - 2.00

[Click here for more information](#)

TRASH TALK... CONVERSATIONS ACROSS THE REGION

Yass High School meeting - A very successful meeting has taken place via Video Conference between Brendan Roberts and Emma Ventrella (Yass High School), Ally Madden and Doug Reckord (Bournda EEC) discussing the schools entry into the In-School Waste program. Tony Stevens from Yass Valley Council assisted in instigating the conversation and has offered his support of the program. Doug Reckord will be visiting the school to work with students on a plan in Term 4 following his participation in the Healthy Eating School Environments Network event also being held at Yass High School (see previous page for more info on this event).

Queanbeyan City Council - The next Enviro Expo is being organised by Queanbeyan City Council. This year's schools' event will host approximately 500 primary school kids! The students will rotate through a variety of activities and also be entertained by the wonderful Eton Gorge Theatre Group's King and Queen of Green and Bournda EEC! The expo will be held on the 16th of October. A community day will be held on Saturday the 17th of October.

Recycling for Schools: Goulburn Mulwaree Council, through the great work of their Waste Education Officer, Teena Riley, have now provided new bins (general waste and recycling) to all the high schools with the council region. Goulburn High School have been actively recycling all year, Trinity Catholic College are on board and Mulwaree High School are preparing to follow in that direction by the end of this year or the beginning of 2016. Well done Goulburn Mulwaree Council for supporting such great school initiatives.

Two farewells: Geoff Pryor, SERRG Coordinator and Ally Madden, Bournda EEC - All good things must come to an end or at least change direction! It is with great fondness that we wish Geoff Pryor, our wonderfully animated leader the best of luck in his retirement and the new adventures it will bring! Geoff's enthusiasm and vision brought this education program to life and it has been a great pleasure working with him. We look forward to working with the new SERRG coordinator once they have been selected. Ally Madden is also taking time off on maternity leave. Ally's role will continue to be undertaken by Bournda EEC staff.

Photo highlights from this term:



Mulwaree High School Waste Audit Team:
Jannine Devery, Lauren Campbell, Annalise Denney, Stuart Delandre (Illawarra Environmental Education Centre), Sophie Davis, Daniel Humphries, Brendan James, Callie Heath and Ally Madden (Bournda EEC).



Wagga Wagga SRC Creating Leaders Conference:
Matthew Brown (Vincentia High School) David Rowe (General Manager of Yass Valley Shire), Hayley Phelps (Queanbeyan High School) and Douglas Reckord (Bournda EEC).