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Yass Valley Council school waste audit week



Yass Valley Council schools

Five schools in the Yass Valley council LGA took part in a 'Working with Waste' program in Week 5 of Term 1 (pictured above and right). Binalong Public School, Yass Public School, Mt. Carmel Primary School, Berinba Public School and Sutton Public School are all taking on the waste challenge this year. Well done to all those schools. Yass Public School have been awarded a \$500 CBRJO waste education grant to help the school implement a whole school waste sorting program which they believe will reduce their landfill contribution by up to two-thirds! Mt Carmel School have been also awarded a \$500 grant to help set up a composting system at the school. Awesome work!

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Action plans from recent schools who have been awarded CBRJO \$500 grants



Queanbeyan East Public School *Queanbeyan Palerang Regional Council*
Students have commenced a paper recycling program in classrooms and office areas.

Hennessy Catholic College *Hilltops Council*
The school is organising a recycling program and a 'Return & Earn' station.

Yass Public School *Yass Valley Council*
The SRC is implementing a whole school waste sorting and removal program with the aim of reducing their waste to landfill by up to two-thirds.

Wollondilly Public School *Goulburn Mulwaree Council*
Students are collecting food scraps to be composted at the school, with the compost being used on the school vegetable garden.

Pambula Public School *Bega Valley Shire Council*
The SRC has begun a 'Trash Free Tuesday' where students and families are encouraged to pack a zero waste lunch box.

St Patricks Parish School *Snowy Monaro Regional Council*
Students have begun a program of both recycling and composting within the school. They are also looking to reduce waste by encouraging Nude Food days at school.

Mt Carmel School *Yass Valley Council*
The SRC are organising a compost system and a 'Return & Earn' program.

It is great to hear the reports back from different schools about the action they are taking to help reduce the amount of waste that their school is sending to landfill each week. It is excellent to have so many schools across the CBRJO area who are making positive change in their schools. If you would like to know more about the CBRJO waste education program and the \$500 grant money please contact Jules at Julie.Donne2@det.nsw.edu.au or take a look at more information from all schools that have worked on the program at <http://bourndaeec.nsw.edu.au/programs/learning-for-sustainability-programs/cbrjo/>



Hilltops Council 'Reducing Waste' presentations at schools



Hilltops council staff member Glen Harper has been working with schools across the Hilltops council area teaching students about waste reduction, recycling and landfill issues. Students have taken part in a waste audit of playground rubbish - in order for students to see what waste is being thrown away that could have been recycled, composted or avoided in the first place. Schools involved in the program include Young South Public School (pictured left), Boorowa Central School and Hennessy College. Hennessy College have been awarded a \$500 CBRJO waste education grant to help support their school to improve the amount of waste that is getting recycled through bins and the return and earn program. Well done Hennessy College and Hilltops Council!

Eaton Gorge Theatre Company have some fantastic performances that focus on reducing litter, encouraging the use of the Return and Earn Campaign, learning about recycling, reducing single use plastic use, or composting and mulching. Check them out at:

<https://www.egtc.com.au/>



Get your students to take this quick quiz to see what they know about waste and recycling!

Why not take up 'Plogging' as a school sport? Plogging is the answer for the those who are keen to keep fit at the same time as doing their bit for the environment!

[Check out this new fitness craze here.](#)

'Waste Not: Mash It Up!' is a Total Environment Centre program designed to inspire high school students across NSW to workshop an exciting new waste-free, sustainable way of living, by creating their own 'Mash Up Fashion label', and 'Mash Up Kitchen' YouTube cooking show. [Click here for more details.](#)

All teachers and council staff - please note:

If you are interested in running a waste audit, or would like support or assistance with any waste education programs at your schools, please get in contact.

Contact Julie.Donne2@det.nsw.edu.au

Access past Sin Bin issues and see our latest waste education news on the Bournda Environmental Education Centres website. [Click here to be taken to the BEEC website](#)

Have a great term everyone!