It's time to take on the challenge!

What can you do?

At school - inspire other people to participate in Plastic Free July and refuse to use single use plastic.

At the school canteen - work out how much single use plastic your school canteen goes through and choose some items that have an easy alternative (swap plastic spoons for metal ones or have everyone BYO spoon!).

At lunch time - encourage waste free lunches for students and teachers and introduce rewards for those who do the right thing.

In the classroom - have a brainstorming session on how waste can be reduced, think of ways to avoid plastic in craft activities by replacing it with something else, model the behaviour you would like to see your students use.

Join millions of other people reducing their plastic waste by - Choosing to Refuse single use plastics.

Inspiring stories about reducing waste from schools and our global community:

Click the links below:

- [Lane Cove Public School tackling the war on waste](#)
- [Sturt Public School introduces 'Rad Reece to the Rescue'](#)
- [The green team at Evatt Primary School show what it takes to tackle waste at their school](#)
- [Teenagers roll up their sleeves for the war on plastic](#)
- [Terara School's war on waste](#)
- [Vanuatu bans plastic](#)
- [Thailand supermarket ditches plastic packaging](#)
- [Making plastic from cactus!](#)
- [Norway recycles 97% of all plastic drink bottles](#)
- [Fishing for plastic](#)
Out and about in schools in Term 2

St. Peters Anglican College in Eurobodalla Shire Council completed a waste audit of playground rubbish in Week 7 of Term 2 during a ‘Working with Waste’ program.

Gundaroo Public School in Yass Valley Council participated in the ‘Working with Waste’ CRJO waste education program in Week 9, Term 2.

Schools in the Hilltops Council worked with Jules Donne (BEEC) and Glen Harper (Hilltops Council - pictured here) in Week 5, Term 2 on waste education programs. Pictured here are Young High School completing the 'Making Change at School' program and Wombat Public School and Young North Public School both completed the 'Working with Waste' program.

Sutton Public School in Yass Valley Council participated in the 'Making Change at School' program and tackled many of their waste challenges at school.
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NEW Resource package available

Teachers and waste educators can access teaching resource links and other useful information through the CRJO waste education program teacher resource package. Click on the image or follow this link https://sites.google.com/education.nsw.gov.au/crjo-teacher-resource/home

The Recycle Right campaign has been produced by the CRJO in collaboration with the regional councils and the ACT. The campaign will be officially launched on July 11th. The campaign has been supported by the NSW EPA Waste Less, Recycle More initiative funded from the waste levy.

The Recycle Right campaign material has been developed to highlight six Recycle Right messages for the community when using yellow recycling bins. The campaign is asking people to follow the six Recycle Right messages below for using yellow lidded recycling bins:

- **Keep it simple:** Only recycle paper and cardboard, steel and aluminium cans, glass bottles and jars, plastic bottles and containers.
- **Keep out soft plastics:** This includes all plastic bags, even if they have a recycling symbol, are degradable or compostable, and other soft plastics including cling wrap, chip packets and bread bags.
- **Keep out small items:** Any items smaller than a credit card. All plastic lids now need to be removed from bottles and those smaller than a credit card put in your landfill bin.
- **Keep it Safe:** Keep out strapping, hose, netting, wires, building materials and other hazardous materials.
- **Keep it Clean:** Wipe or rinse any excess food and drink from all bottles, containers and tins before placing them in your recycling bin. Keep out food scraps, nappies and soiled paper.
- **Keep it Loose:** Put each item into your yellow recycling bin separately, don’t bag, box or contain your recyclable items.

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

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