School Waste Education Program

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The Hornsby Shire Council Waste team is dedicated to offering all schools across the Shire free assistance in reducing waste in their schools and providing education to teachers and students.

Whats on offer?

The Waste Team can provide support in a variety of formats:

- Classroom visits
- School assembly presentation
- School group or staff meetings
- School site walk thru
- Pop up information stalls at fairs/fetes
- Staff development meetings/presentations

The following are all topics we can help deliver. If you have a specific request in relation to a topic, please let us know and we can discuss some options.

Recycling

This session will teach the basics of recycling and how to remember what is able to go in the yellow bin.

Compost/worm farming

Have you got a compost bin or worm farm, or looking to set one up? We can help you with the process and encourage inviting some students so they can help keep it running!

Where our waste goes

Learn about what goes into each bin and where it goes after being collected from Hornsby Shire residents. We will also talk about what the waste is turned into from each of the different streams.

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Avoiding waste

At the top of the waste hierarchy is avoidance. Let's create a conversation with the students about different ways we create waste that we could avoid- food, clothing, plastics, the list goes on!

Clothing swap

Clothing swaps are a great opportunity for students and parents to benefit from swapping clothes and learning about fast fashion. We will help you organise and inform the students about the importance of keeping clothing out of landfill.

Pop up information stall

If you are planning a school fair or similar, we can provide education and information about waste and recycling!

Other talks

We are also happy to attend classroom discussions, green team meet ups, SRC meet ups and any other student meet ups to help facilitate conversations about reducing waste and impact.

How will these be delivered?

Once you fill out our survey form we will be in touch about dates. We will determine how long the session will be based on the format you would like.

If you are starting a program in the school like composting, we can determine follow up dates to see how its tracking!

We love meeting school groups and seeing what passion projects they are keen to work on. We have lots of ideas to get them started and can provide plenty of support to help them (and you).

If you'd like to arrange a school walk thru or have any questions, give us a call on 02 9847 4888 and we can chat more! Please note that in order to ensure a visit to your school we will need at least **6 weeks' notice** to allow a staff member to get prepared.

If you're interested in booking a free session, please fill out this quick form and we can lock in a date!





