

# Lithgow City Council Primary School Waste Education Program 2019

## Avoid disappointment! Book your **FREE** Program for 2019 **NOW!**

Lithgow City Council's Primary School Waste Education Program is an informative, activity-based and fun way to educate primary school students about the environment. The program offers the opportunity for students to learn lifelong skills and form positive attitudes that will contribute to a more sustainable way of living, now and into the future. Incursions are delivered by experienced environmental educators and range from 40-60 minutes, covering the following themes:



**The Science of Sorting:** You've seen it on 'War on Waste' and now Council brings you an engaging, highly practical new incursion topic which guides students and teachers through a science-based

approach to waste auditing, introducing the concepts of scientific investigation and data collection. The workshop is designed to identify opportunities for waste diversion in the general waste stream and inspire students to consider waste minimisation in their daily lives.

(Years 4, 5 & 6)

**The Wrap on Wrapping:** Packaging plays many important roles, such as keeping our food free from contamination and maintaining freshness throughout its journey 'from farm to fork'. However, over-packaging can lead to unnecessary resource use and an increase in waste to landfill. This presentation encourages students to consider the resources that are used in the creation of various forms of packaging and identify 'low waste' packaging choices. (Years 4, 5 & 6)



**Recycling Rules!** This interactive, hands-on presentation invites students to consider how and what we waste, where it ends up, and the problems associated with our 'throw away society'. The 'recycling right' message will be introduced to Stage

1, while Stage 2 will also be challenged to consider the entire waste hierarchy, in terms of what other waste minimisation options exist. (All years)

**Being Resourceful:** This presentation identifies the environmental benefits, specifically savings in natural resources, energy and greenhouse gas production, of recycling by examining the resources used in product creation. Students will participate in activities to identify natural resources saved during the recycling process. (Years 5 & 6)



**It's a Wormy World:** Worms are nature's best recyclers. During this presentation students are introduced to worm farming as an alternate method of waste disposal. Students will participate in hands-on activities and discover how worms feed, eat, move and live in a worm farm. (All years)

**Caught on Composting:** Students will learn about 'nature's recycling factory', how it works and the elements needed to make the best environment for composting. Students have the opportunity to build a mini compost by reusing a PET plastic bottle and learn how compost critters speed up the process to help keep the planet healthy. (All years)



**Food For Thought:** Students learn how much food we waste annually and the real cost to the environment and our economy. Age-appropriate and interactive activities are used to educate students on the journey of food from 'farm to fork'. Students will begin to understand the processes foods go through; the energy and resources that are used in their production; the reason food is wasted; and the impacts food waste has on the environment. (Years 4, 5 & 6)



**Don't Waste Biodiversity:** Children are often interested in learning about animals in their environment. That's why this presentation focuses on the effects that our lifestyles have on the animals and plants around us. This incursion teaches students about the links between biodiversity, our resource use and waste disposal. (Years 3, 4, 5 & 6)

**Litter, Litter Everywhere!** This incursion topic addresses the concept of litter and littering behaviours, and investigates where litter comes from, where it can end up and the possible environmental and social impacts of littering. Students are challenged to suggest practical solutions to the help reduce the presence of litter in our environment. (All years)



**Places are limited, so book in early to avoid disappointment! Booking form on reverse.**

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## Expression of Interest Form

The Primary School Waste Education Program will be delivered from the  
**28<sup>th</sup> - 31<sup>st</sup> May 2019**

### School Details:

School:

School address:

Contact person:

Phone:

Email:

### Class Details:

No. of classes participating from each year:

K:  1:  2:  3:  4:  5:  6:

Preferred date (28<sup>th</sup> - 31<sup>st</sup> May 2019):

Bell schedule (i.e. start of day, lunch, recess):

Presentations will be held in the:

☐ Classroom ☐ Hall ☐ Library

Does the facility have access to a smart board or projector?

☐ Yes ☐ No

Please indicate topic preference for each year:

<input type="checkbox"/> The Science of Sorting	Year/s _____
<input type="checkbox"/> The Wrap on Wrapping	Year/s _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Recycling Rules!	Year/s _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Being Resourceful	Year/s _____
<input type="checkbox"/> It's a Wormy World	Year/s _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Caught on Composting	Year/s _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Food For Thought	Year/s _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Don't Waste Biodiversity	Year/s _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Litter, Litter Everywhere!	Year/s _____

Please email or fax the completed form to Council's environmental education contractor,  
EnviroCom Australia, using the contact details below