



De Mazenod Family
Education Network

De Mazenod Family Education Network - GoGreen Student Voice Sustainability Drive



Week 1 of our Sustainability Summit - Reducing Waste
(Monday August 18 to Friday August 22)

Schools are always looking at ways to reduce waste. Understanding the key principles of a Waste Audit, knowing your plastics and avoiding contamination of recycling bins is the focus for this year's drive.

Sustainability Teams are encouraged to communicate good practice with messaging and creative video clips.

Together, let's inspire change and make a positive impact on our environment.

WEEK 1 - REDUCING WASTE

Resources

Plastics Impacting Lord Howe Island Mutton Bird
[The birds on Lord Howe Island are now so full of plastic, they crunch - ABC News](#)

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Know Your Plastics and How to Recycle Them
[Link](#)

How do you manage FOGO recycling?
[FOGO Recycling](#)

ANGRY EARTH - 10 Tips To Reduce Plastic Waste [Link](#)

Sorting Waste Effectively
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0ZiD_Lb3Tm0

Jack the Super Prawn and Pollution Solution
[ANSTO and Jack the Super Prawn](#)

Welcome to Australia's Plastic Beach [Link](#)

Action

Use Homeroom, Assembly or Pastoral Care time to spread the message - Plastics in our waterways and oceans are creating ecological problems. Microplastics and nano plastics are impacting on our lives. Checkout the Lord Howe Island Mutton Bird problem in "Resources".

The Waste Audit has three principles.

1. Communication and clear messaging are essential.
2. Group bins so conscious decision-making occurs.
3. Synchronize Back of House/Front of House and processes for Waste Removal Providers.

Recording how bins are used as part of a Waste Audit can create awareness and change.

Brainstorm ways to

Avoid / Reduce / Re-Use / Recycle
E-Waste / Organic Waste / Construction Material / Container Deposit Scheme etc

Next week - Week 2 - Reducing Energy Consumption