

SUSTAINABILITY PROGRAMS

Whitehorse Council supports schools, kinders and early learning centres on their sustainability journeys.

Sustainability

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Eastern Alliance for Sustainable Learning (EASL)

EASL offers council-funded professional development, networking and other educational sessions for educators and anyone who has an interest in sustainability education.

Schools Water Efficiency Program (SWEP)

Schools in the SWEP program are able to monitor their use of water. They are supplied with resources to integrate the data into the curriculum to provide real-life learning opportunities.

Victorian Pleasurable Food Education Package

This Stephanie Alexander Foundation program provides support and resources for schools to develop their kitchen garden programs.

Resource Smart Schools

This program, facilitated by CERES, helps schools embed sustainability across all learning areas. Schools save on utility bills, reduce resource use and greenhouse gas emissions, improve biodiversity and reduce landfill waste. Council-funded spots are available.

Parkswide Education Program

A free service run by Council officers and a team of volunteers that provides environmental and sustainability education.

Most visits are to Blackburn Lake Sanctuary and Yarran Dheran Bushland Reserve in Mitcham but other sites, including incursions, can be arranged.

Gardens 4 Wildlife

Gardens for Wildlife guides can visit your school and provide advice and a written report to help you bring more wildlife into your school grounds and strengthen nature connections. The reports are great for planning working bees or as supporting documents for grant applications. You can even access a donation of plants and mulch after the visit!

Waste and Recycling

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Composting/Worm Farms

Get an on-site visit for advice about how to start, reinvigorate or maintain an effective composting system or worm farm. A limited number of these visits are available.

Rebates: Schools can get a \$100 rebate when they spend \$100 or more on composting and worm farm products.

Recycling

Schools can access up to 5 x 240 litre recycling bins for kerbside collection each fortnight. Please note that they need to be kerbside the night prior to nominated collection dates

Waste Incursions

Book an incursion to give students the tools to get recycling right and understand the benefits of why we do it.



Active Transport

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Road Safety

Learn about road safety with a visit from a Community Laws Officer. Early years and early primary students will explore how to stay safe around our streets and use school crossings correctly.

Bike Education – Sustainable Transport

Council, in association with RoadSafe Eastern Metro, provide funding for teachers to gain accreditation through the Bike Ed training course.

A2B Term 4 – Sustainable and Safe Transport

Grade six students will have started to make plans about secondary school by Term 4. The Transit Program provides students with information, skills and confidence to use various transport options to travel to and from secondary school.

