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DORROUGHBY EEC TERM 3 2022

Please distribute this newsletter to all teachers interested in Sustainability Education/Outdoor Classrooms.



Jingelah Bloggerman! Greeting Colleagues,

Term 3 for Dorroughby EEC has been very busy with student learning, incursions, excursions, and camps, and, after a rocky start to the year, it is great to see students and staff once again enjoying learning outdoors and connecting with Nature. Term 4 bookings are almost full so if you are considering using DEEC to support your students this year, please contact us asap.

DEEC has an updated COVID-19 Safety Plan and COVID-19 Risk Assessment to supply to visiting schools.

Program information is available from our website or call our centre

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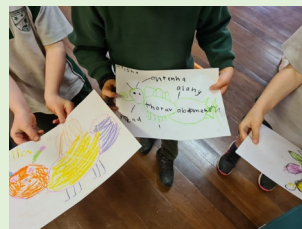
Xavier Christian College
conducting a microplastic
search along a transect at
Clarkes Beach



Bexhill PS learning about
Bees and their importance in
our ecosystem.



Fingal Head students learning about Soil and
the Rock Cycle



Lismore Hts PS K-2 enjoying the Native Plant, Animal and
Insect incursion.





Corndale PS learnt about Bush Tucker and posed proudly near the Nyambir (Small) Muruwi (Forest) they planted last May.



Dunoon PS K-2s learning about Coastal Management and Rocky Platforms at Angels Beach, Ballina. What fun was had!!



Lismore's Trinity Catholic College visited our Dorrroughby Environmental Education Centre's teacher, Fionn at his permaculture homestead in The Channon. The Stage 6 Earth and Environment students spent the day learning about permaculture and its practical applications in a lived-in example. Specific themes introduced were the permaculture principles, sustainable living practices, the soil food web and how we can best take care of it. All 18 students left with a spring in their step and a little wiser regarding their place on the earth and how best to go about beginning to repair it.



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Spring hits as our Nyambir (Small) Muruwi (Forest) continues to grow!



Pocket Forests are said to grow up to ten times faster than conventional reforestation projects; sequester more carbon; are far denser; and have a far larger range of biodiversity. Our big plan is to utilise our Big Scrub Nyambir Muruwi as an educational resource. *If you have an idea of how this resource might fit into your curriculum, or you are interested in creating a Pocket Forest in your grounds, give DEEC a call and we will collaborate on a program specific to your needs.*

TWO K-6 PROGRAMS have been developed so far are **Pocket Forest & Forest Dynamics Day ES1-S1** and **Pocket Forest & Forest Dynamics Day S2-S3**

Our insects are happy!

The native bee mural is FINISHED!



TWO NEW BEE PROGRAMS have emerged in order to support our school communities:

ES1-S1 Buzzy bees

Get busy with bees, with a focus on native Australian bees. Investigate bee activity and habitat outside; learn about the fabulous diversity of bees, their biology and connections with humans; look at bee products & create a pollinator patch or bee hotel.

S2-3 Bee Heroes

Dive into the fascinating world of bees by investigating bee habitat and activity outside. Explore bee biology and diversity with presentations and samples. Role play to learn about bee conservation. Build bee models and habitat for solitary native bees

Our programs can be viewed via our website.

<https://dorroughby-e.schools.nsw.gov.au/programs/primary-programs.html>

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Please don't hesitate to contact the DEEC them if you have an idea of how they can collaborate with

you to support Education Delivery, *Team Dorroughby*



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