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Hi <<First Name>>,

Over half way through Term 2. Hard to believe it's almost June already!

Redlands Senior School hosted the Term 2 Zero Emissions Schools Meeting on 24th May. The Environmental Captains at the school showcased their many initiatives including, "Measuring their Carbon Footprint", where they undertook a GHG Assessment with the assistance of Pangolin Associates. Categorising their Scope 1,2 and 3 emissions will hopefully allow them to identify clear emission reduction targets and develop strategy through 2025 and 2030. After their presentation, the group was given a tour of the beautiful rooftop gardens that they developed with the help of David Harrington.

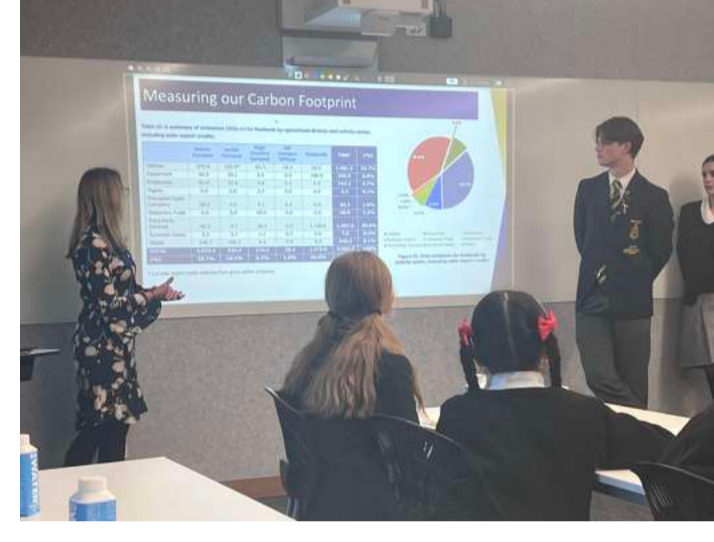
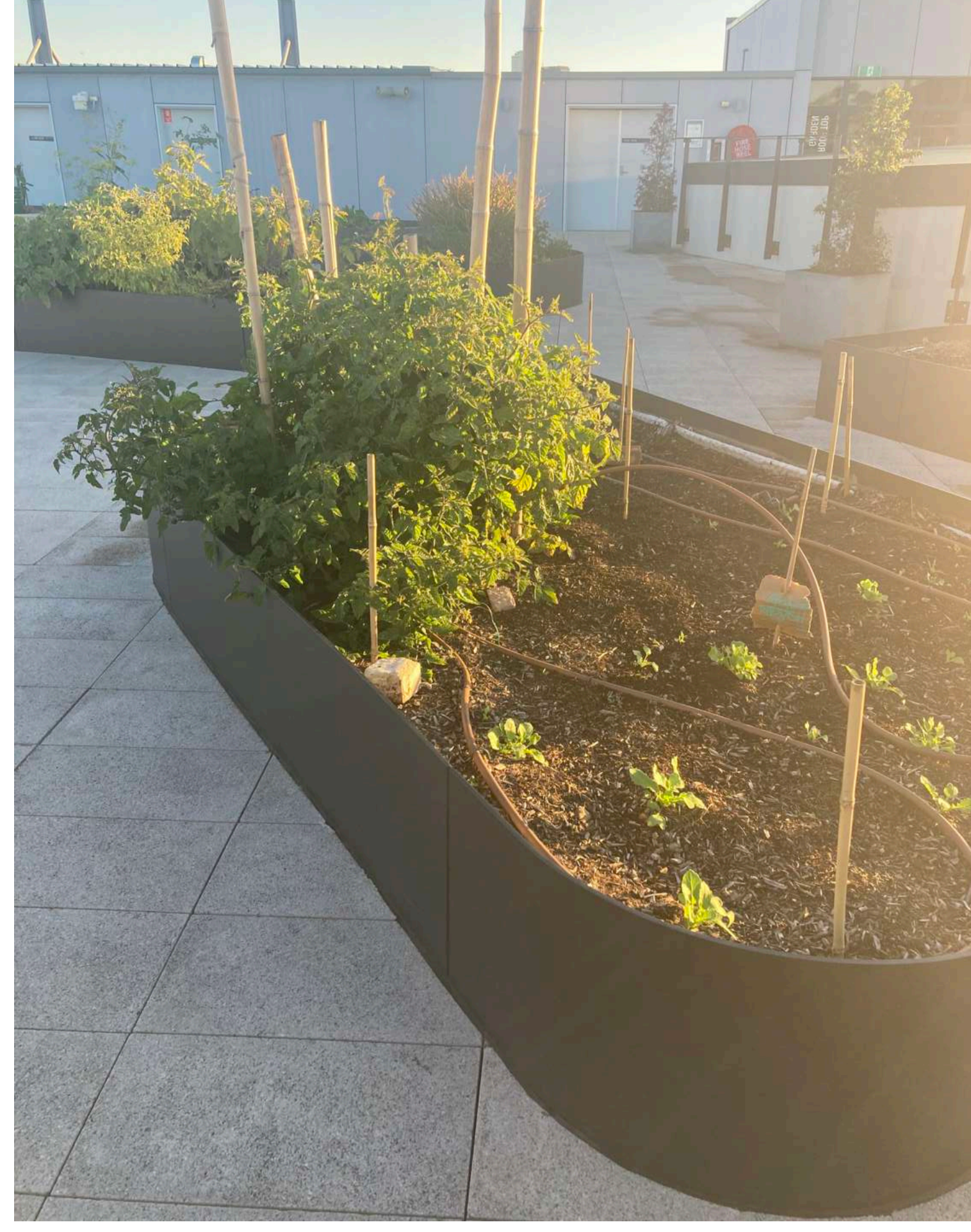
Our guest speakers this term were the "Quite" Team from Queenwood School for Girls. We learned about their 1975 Suzuki Carry that are refurbishing and transforming into an electric vehicle which will be powered by solar panels. The "Quite" will be used to transport things between the junior school and 3 senior campuses. Follow their journey here: [Quite Project](#).

It is great to see participation from all the area schools including: Queenwood School for Girls, Redlands, Mosman Prep, Beauty Point PS, Blessed Sacrament, Sacred Heart, Mosman PS, Mosman High and Middle Harbour PS!

Sharing, supporting, inspiring one another - we are creating more sustainable school communities!

Lots of good stuff in this term's newsletter. Have a read and send me an email if you have any questions.

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Housekeeping

Zero Emission Schools Network MEETING DATES for 2023:

Term 3 - Blessed Sacrament Tuesday, 15th August
Term 4 - Mosman High Tuesday, 14th November

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: Zero Emissions Schools Networks

If you are passionate about the environment and believe youth have the power to be change makers...why not sign up to volunteer with the Zero Emission Schools Program? We are looking for 1-2 people to help with research and offer administrative support. Perhaps an opportunity for students working on their Duke of Ed! Be inspired by students in your local area and help facilitate new ideas and enthusiasm around sustainability. Please contact: schools@zerosydneynorth.org if interested in learning more.

Eco Resources

Down to Earth with Zac Efron: Down Under (Season 2)

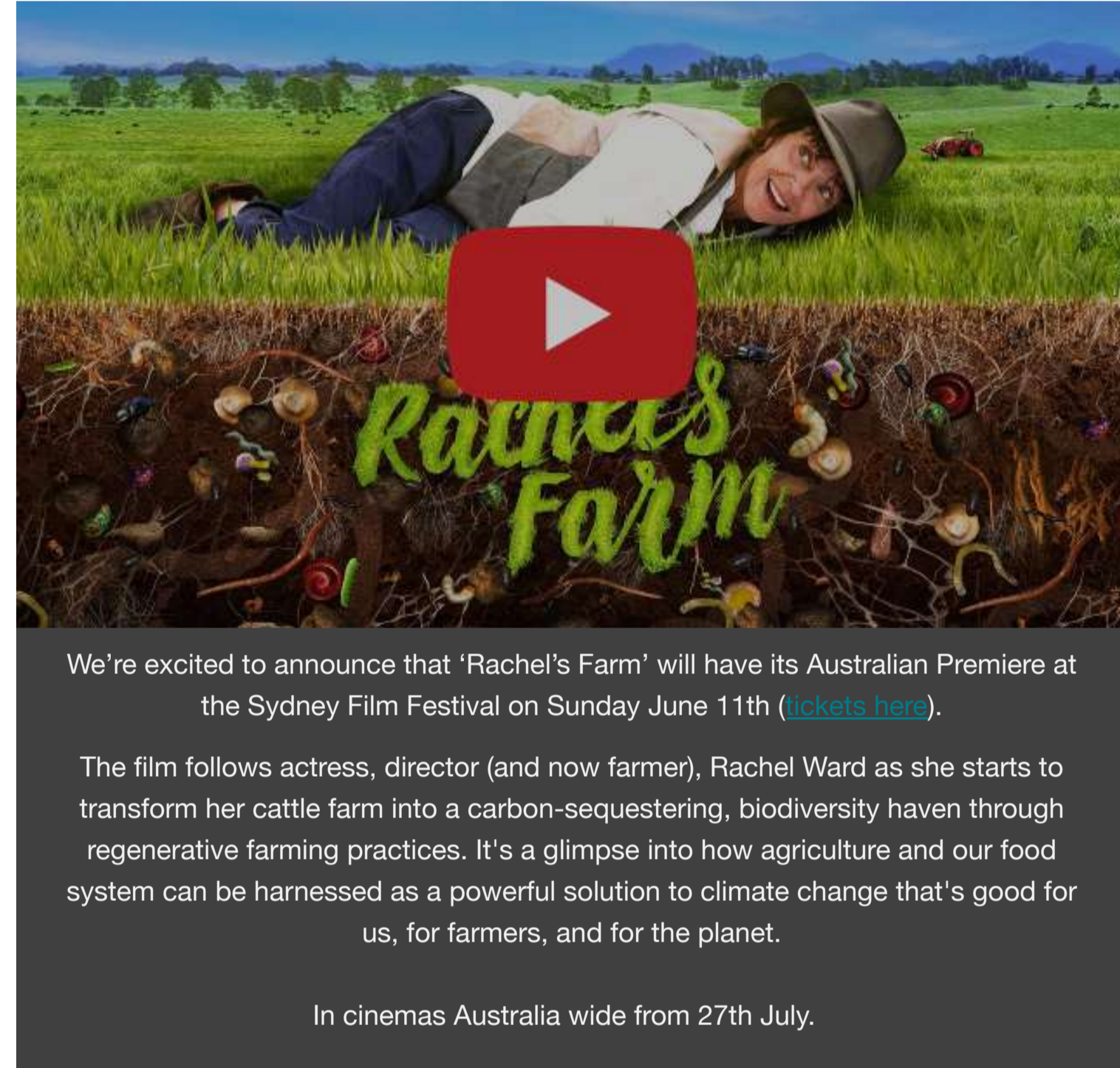


Take your students on an eye-opening adventure across Australia, delving into its rich biodiversity and culture and the efforts of Australians to protect both. Topics include regenerative agriculture, habitat conservation, Waste, Wildfire, Eco Innovators, Aboriginal Voices and the Barrier Reef.

[Let's Change the World](#) is a series of board books targeted at early stage learners to adults alike encouraging creative play while exploring pressing global issues (like Climate Change). Explore issues in the classroom around Zero Waste, Slow Fashion, Clean Energy and Community Spirit.



Rachel's Farm Australian Premiere



We're excited to announce that 'Rachel's Farm' will have its Australian Premiere at the Sydney Film Festival on Sunday June 11th ([tickets here](#)).

The film follows actress, director (and now farmer), Rachel Ward as she starts to transform her cattle farm into a carbon-sequestering, biodiversity haven through regenerative farming practices. It's a glimpse into how agriculture and our food system can be harnessed as a powerful solution to climate change that's good for us, for farmers, and for the planet.

In cinemas Australia wide from 27th July.

The Gigaton
[The Gigaton](#) is a newsletter written by Stanford GSB MBA students who are just as concerned as you are about the climate crisis. Their vision is to have their newsletter inspire recent grads and seasoned professionals to make a difference in helping the world reverse climate change. Whether you have years of experience in the space, are pivoting and are lost, or just want to have a stronger sustainability mindset as you continue to other jobs, or a recent graduate, this newsletter is for you.

They identify the most promising climate solutions based on quantified carbon emission potential (hence "The Gigaton") by Project Drawdown and tell you what you need to know, where you can work, and who you should be listening to. Consider the newsletter your Spark Notes (or for the Gen Z'ers out there, your short Tik Toks) for getting up to speed – and they do the heavy lifting for you.

Eco-Uniforms

DOBSONS
As an Australian owned and operated business, Dobsons has identified an obvious gap in the Australian uniform market where an environmentally responsible uniform range was absent.

Combining over 100 years of uniform experience with our drive for a better way, we have hand-picked responsibly sourced materials that can be fashioned into both modern and classic designs. Our new sustainable range offers schools the opportunity to maintain iconic pieces of uniform without the costly repercussions on our planet or the family budget.

Dobsons' Eco-Uniforms™ solution encapsulates the entire uniform life cycle, not just sustainably sourced materials. Our tailored solution provides a clear way to reuse, recycle and re-purpose sustainably made used uniforms.



[Be The Future](#) is a social enterprise that's unleashing the power of families and educators to be part of rewriting our climate story. They create multi-sensory EDUtainment for young kids that bursts with hope, humour and playful action. Their first EDUtainment kit (book, game, activity book) empowers children 4 - 7 years to love and protect coral reefs. Great for Early Stage 1 students!

Earthcare Schools
The [Catholic Earthcare Schools](#) program is available to all Catholic schools in Australia. It involves a process of ecological dialogue and action, which inspires Catholic schools to respond to the call of [Laudato Si](#) to care for our common home. It is a process driven accreditation program that supports student led faith driven actions. [Find out more here](#)

Competitions

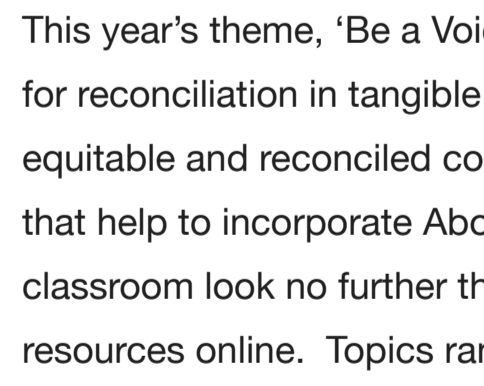
Healthy Soils Competition
"Wonderful Worms" is the topic for Primary School Students in the 2023 Soil Week Australia [Healthy Soils Competition](#). "Earthworms- What is the connection between worms, soil and climate" is the topic for secondary schools. Both are invited to enter this free competition, entries due 15 September 2023.

Future, What Future - Writing for the Environment
The 2023 national PD Walshe Writing for the Environment competition asks you to consider the future and write a piece of fiction that puts yourself in it. A piece of writing that personalises the future. The writing must, of course, consider elements related to the environment and broader sustainability concepts. Entries are due by 30 June. For more information visit the [Sutherland Shire Environment Centre](#).

How Cool is Your School? - Mapping Competition
[How Cool is Your School?](#) competition is a simple set of lessons where your students use satellite data to map the amount of green shade on your school grounds. Students will calculate the percentage of shade and create a map that meets cartographic (mapping) conventions. The maps the students create are then entered into the competition. Competition runs until 14th July.

Important Dates

National Reconciliation Week 27 May - 3rd June
This year's theme, 'Be a Voice for Generations', encourages all Australians to be a voice for reconciliation in tangible ways in our everyday lives to help create a more just, equitable and reconciled country for all. Teachers looking for inspiration and resources that help to incorporate Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander perspectives into the classroom look no further than Cool Australia's expansive collection of downloadable resources online. Topics range from [Exploring Your Connection to the Ocean](#) (years 4-6), [Cool Burning](#) (years 4-10) and [Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Perspective Resources](#) (year 12).



World Environment Day 2023 - 5th June
2023's theme is *Solutions to Plastic Pollution!* [World Environment Day](#) is a reminder that people's actions on plastic pollution matters. The steps governments and businesses are taking to tackle plastic pollution are the consequence of this action. It is time to accelerate this action and transition to a circular economy. Educate and inspire your students on 5th June!

World Ocean Day - 8th June
World Ocean Day is an exciting day, to celebrate and raise awareness about the importance of our oceans. This is an opportunity for all of us to reflect on our relationship with the oceans and to take action to protect them. Take some time on 8th June and ask the people around you, "How does the ocean play a role in your life?".

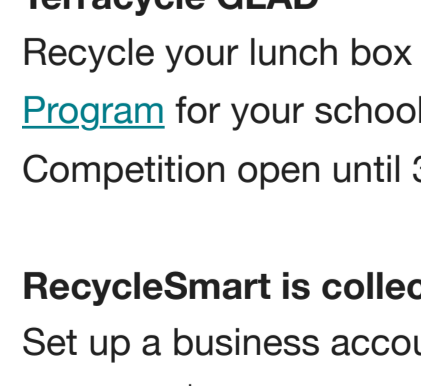
Plastic Free July
Plastic Free July is a movement that helps millions of people worldwide be part of the solution to plastic pollution – so we can have cleaner streets, oceans, and beautiful communities. Get involved as an individual, a class or a school, and access the many online [support resources available](#).

National Tree Day - 28th July
Schools Tree Day is a great opportunity to inspire and educate future generations on the many benefits of trees and connection with nature. Schools Tree Day is celebrated on Friday 28th July 2023 but you can register your event any time of year. Register a site here: [National Tree Day](#)

Recycling

Terracycle GLAD
Terracycle your lunch box soft plastics with the Terracycle GLAD [Food Care Free Recycling Program](#) for your school's chance to win a Subpod Grow Bundle and voucher! Competition open until 30 June 2023.

RecycleSmart is collecting school uniforms and backpacks!
Set up a business account through the [RecycleSmart](#) program and book your first power pick-up! \$5 per bag or \$35 for a 240L bin. RecycleSmart has partnered with [UpcycledBetter](#) to repurpose your school's old uniforms and backpacks.



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