



2024  
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NEWSLETTER

## Welcome to the Junior Landcarer Newsletter

This month's issue is jam-packed full of exciting information for Junior Landcarers. We're delighted to introduce the outstanding winners of the 2024 Woolworths Junior Landcare Awards for NSW, WA and ACT and their stories are gold! We're showcasing one of the DEECA grant recipients and it's definitely worth a quick read for inspiration!

Most importantly, It's currently NAIDOC Week! Celebrate and recognise First Nations Perspectives by exploring our Educator Hub. Embrace the season by checking our Winter Family fun pack! Even as school holidays end, these activities are perfect for keeping the fun going all winter long.

## Woolworths Junior Landcare Award Winners

*Congratulations to the winners of the Woolworths Junior Landcare Awards as part of the State and Territory Landcare Awards in WA, NSW and ACT.*

*Dive into their inspiring stories below and join us in celebrating their remarkable achievements!*



### **WA: South Coogee Primary School**

Since 2001, the coastal Perth school has taken a whole-school approach to sustainability, managing its carbon footprint and increasing students' understanding of waste reduction and resource conservation. They use sustainable practices to educate students about their role in protecting the ecosystem and preserve resources for future generations. Students, from Kindergarten to Year 6, lead or support sustainability initiatives aiming to become good global citizens following the United Nations Sustainability goals.



### **NSW: Wilsons Creek Public School**

This is a small, vibrant school of 20-25 students in rural northern NSW. The region's extraordinary biodiversity is threatened by habitat loss, invasive species, and climate change. Over the past four years, the area has faced drought, fire, and flooding. The principal, working with the Parents and Citizens Association, integrated projects that involved students in natural resource management, aligning with curriculum goals.

Achievements include improved Wilsons Creek habitat quality, reduced impact of invasive species, reduced greenhouse gas emissions, and enhanced sustainability.



## ACT: Venturer Scouts ACT

This Waterwatch team began in 2016, with Venturers (aged 14 to 18) from Southwell, Diamantina and Crowajingalong Scout groups undertaking bi-monthly water quality monitoring in remote areas of Namadgi National Park. This quickly evolved into an ACT-wide Scout activity.

The Waterwatch activity has created opportunities for 120 Venturer Scouts to learn the science behind testing, the values involved in environmental monitoring, and to practice their outdoor adventure skills in bushwalking and 4WD, all whilst providing a service to their community and the environment.



## Keep the Fire Burning! Blak, Loud & Proud

The 2024 NAIDOC WEEK's poster 'Urapun Muy' by artist Deb Belya



## Celebrate Landcare Week 2024 with Us!

Landcare Week is the perfect time to shine a spotlight on your youth group

means 'One Fire'. The artist explains "Culture is the fire that gives us knowledge, wisdom and purpose".

Check out our First Nations Perspectives in the Educator Hub. For First Nations peoples, Country is viewed entirely different to that of how non-indigenous peoples speak about Country.

NAIDOC Week is an opportunity for all Australians to learn about First Nations cultures and histories and participate in celebrations of the oldest, continuous living cultures on earth.

and projects, inspiring community involvement and volunteerism. Use the comprehensive resources on our website to promote your group across social media, newsletters, and your own website. These tools can help you attract financial and in-kind support from local organisations.

By leveraging our promotional materials, you can effectively share the amazing work your youth group is doing and motivate others to join your cause. Visit our website to access these resources and make the most of Landcare Week!

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## Landcare In Focus Magazine goes Digital

**Landcare in Focus** is a national biannual online magazine featuring case studies and science-based articles focusing on innovation in agricultural land management, excellence in sustainable farming, revegetation and habitat restoration, protection of waterways, community participation in landcare projects including conservation and sustainable land management. Landcare Australia warmly invites articles from educators and junior landcarers about how they engage with children and youth groups. To make sure you receive a digital copy subscribe [here](#).

**The deadline for content submissions is September 1.**

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## Planting for Pollinators

Science students at Seymour College become increasingly aware of the challenges pollinators face in their area due to habitat loss.

Over 100 students were engaged in planting 445 plants and installing tree guards. The students were assisted by Seymour Urban Landcare Group/Hughes Creek Catchment Collaborative.

[Read more](#)



## Family Fun in the School Holidays

This month we published a free guide showcasing awesome Junior Landcare activities perfect for winter. These **super cool activities** encourage kids to explore the outdoors, get their hands dirty and discover the wonders of nature.

You will discover a budget and complexity scale for each activity to assess the cost, time and effort required. Some activities don't even cost a cent! Each activity has step-by-step guides, videos and activity sheets.

The Junior Landcare Family Fun guide is **available** to share with friends and colleagues.

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