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August NEWSLETTER

Welcome to the Junior Landcarer Newsletter

This month, we are buzzing with excitement as we announce a special webinar 'Taking Learning Outdoors with First Nations Perspectives' in celebration of Biodiversity Month. Plus, get to know Tavish Bloom, the inspiring 13-year-old who recently won the Woolworths Junior Landcare Award at the Victorian Landcare Awards.

Learn more about fun activities perfect for National Science Week and get ready for the Fun with Costa video series on Junior Landcare socials.

The banner features the Junior Landcare logo in the top left corner. A central orange button with a play icon contains the text 'JUNIOR LANDCARE WEBINAR'. Below this, the title 'Taking learning outdoors using First Nations perspectives' is written in large, bold, orange letters. The date and time, 'Date: Monday, 16th September 2024 Time: 4PM AEST', are displayed in bold black text. Three circular profile pictures of speakers are shown: Sam Harrison, Adam Shipp, and Costa Georgiadis, with their names listed below each. The background is light blue with white clouds and a stylized illustration at the bottom showing people in a park-like setting, including a person holding a flag with the Aboriginal flag design.

Passionate About Taking Learning Outdoors Using First Nations Perspectives?

On **Monday 16th September 2024**, at 4pm (AEST) Junior Landcare is bringing together Wiradjuri man and First Nations Educator Adam Shipp and Environmental Educator Sam Harrison along with Costa Georgiadis, Junior Landcare Ambassador to deliver an inspiring **FREE webinar** during Biodiversity Month.

The webinar “**Taking learning outdoors using First Nations perspective**” will be jam-packed with advice and culturally respectful approaches covering everything from creating yarning circles, using the local habitats, and exploring First Nations weather knowledge.

Adam and Sam will guide educators through the essentials of taking learning outdoors with First Nations perspectives projects, along with **Junior Landcare ambassador Costa Georgiadis** who is also joining the session.

By hosting this webinar in September's Biodiversity month, Adam and Sam will bring a unique and invaluable perspectives that are sure to engage children of all ages.

This free webinar is available for all who register in advance. Educators who receive view the webinar will receive a Professional Development Certificate.

[Register now](#)



Victorian Woolworths Junior Landcare Award Winner

13-year-old Tavish Bloom is dedicated to protecting the Post Office Hill Reserve in Chewton, which has suffered from eco-vandalism and pollution.

Through meticulous data collection on wildlife, he is crucial in



Think Outside the Bunsen Burner!

Whether you are team Albert Einstein or Team Marie Curie, this is a great time to celebrate National Science Week.

The 2024 school theme is Species Survival – More than Just Sustainability. The theme aims to

safeguarding local fauna. He shares knowledge and skills with school mates in the Eco Club which he co-founded such as The Nest Box and Wetland Projects.

His resilience and dedication by leading cleanup efforts and addressing issues like waste dumping and habitat destruction, showcases his determination to improve the natural environment.

highlight the importance of science and innovation in ensuring the survival and thriving of different species in an ever-changing world.

Did you know our **Learning Centre** has some wonderful activities that can help reinforce learning about local ecosystems **'Understanding weeds'** or **"Investigating the soil food web"** to creating habitats for local plants and animals by planting local species **'Creating a wildlife habitat series'**.

[Read more](#)

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Costa's Quick & Cool Learning Videos for Kids

We are so excited to introduce **Fun with Costa**, a series of short, engaging, and educational videos designed to spark curiosity and creativity in young minds.

Coming soon to Junior Landcare social media platforms.

Whether it's a fascinating fact about worms, a fun project involving bee hotels, or new landcare skills to learn, each video is packed with fun learning opportunities!

These videos are short and super interactive. You can check out our [website](#) to get ready for everything you need and follow along.

Make sure to follow Junior Landcare on Facebook, Instagram and YouTube and stay tuned!



Young Explorers Embrace Biodiversity Excursions

It's never too early to learn about our impact on land, water and other natural resources – and what we can do to maintain, preserve and protect the natural environment. Which is exactly why Yarra Glen Preschool Association Inc. sought to set up regular nature kinder sessions for both their 3/4-year-old and 4/5-year-old groups to explore the topic of biodiversity within their preschool and local community.

As a starting point for their 'Nature Preschool Initiative', the preschool engaged Eco Explorers to provide fortnightly excursions for both groups to gain more knowledge of the natural world around them and encourage ways of connecting with the environment through open-ended free play. Using knowledge gained about local wildlife from their excursion sessions, the preschool will be setting up animal habitats and engaging children in planting at the preschool.

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