

Case Studies

Yard Project

Early Years
Primary Years
Middle Years

Woodcroft Primary School

Partners: Onkaparinga Catchment Water Management Board
Onkaparinga Council

The *Yard Project* involves students co-designing parks and recreational areas in the Woodcroft area with the Council. The project is part of a broader environmental program in the school.

“Our vision states that we will be a school with an environmental conscience. This is achievable if every class is involved in a project of some description advancing this cause”

“The school has recycling projects, worm farms, vegetable gardens and a number of other projects as well”

The success of the program is determined by

“We determine the success of the project by its visual impact, its effect on the community and changed student attitudes”

Links between classroom work and environmental project

“All classes are involved in moving the school towards achieving the vision”

Environmental Reporting Themes and Issues for this project

Theme:

Biodiversity



Issues:

- Threatened Species
- Native Vegetation

Inland Waters



- Water Quality
- Rivers, Streams and Wetlands

Related Learning Areas

- Art
- Science
- Society and Environment

Which elements of the Essential Learnings does this project develop

Futures

- Learners developing an understanding of patterns and connections within systems
- Learners building scenarios of preferred futures

Interdependence

- Learners coming to an understanding of what is needed for sustainable social and physical environments
- Learners cooperating to achieve agreed outcomes
- Learners acting to benefit their communities

Communication

- Learners having an understanding of how communication works
- Learners being able to effectively use communication in a range of modes