

Sustainability Update – May 2026 – Marita Ryan

We continue to maintain our 5star Sustainability rating - **ResourceSmart School (RSS)**.

Accreditation to maintain our 5-star rating is as follows:

- Core module due in September 2026
- Waste module December 2026
- Water module – August 2028
- Energy module – March 2029
- Biodiversity module – August 2030.

‘WOW’ Wednesday and Fruity Friday continue to be run each week by the house captains.

House captains are responsible for giving out house points and collecting data on these days.

10c Container Deposit Scheme

We have taken two bags to the depot in term one. We received \$35. This money is used to purchase the brown paper bags for students to take their snacks out.

Active travel

We participated in Ride2School day on Friday 20th March. House Captains gave out stickers in the morning and did a Hands Up count for each class. The obstacles were put out on the oval at lunch time. We had 57 students take their scooter or bike onto the oval at lunch time, a new record. We had a total of 67 students ride or skate to school. This was also a new record.

Waste presentation

Principal included a waste presentation of the outside bin system during an assembly in March, asking student which items should go in each of the 3 bins – red, yellow and green.

We had a refresher on **classroom, staffroom and outside bins** on our return to school for term two during their PE lessons.

Yellow bin in classrooms and areas – paper and hard plastic

10c Yellow bin outside – anything with the 10c logo

Blue Murfee bin – other recyclables including bottle caps, bread tags, ring pulls, oral care, old pens, pencils, textas and glue sticks,

Red bin – land fill, all other waste

Green caddy – all food scraps

Food scraps buckets outside – all food scraps

The River Detectives

The equipment was picked up in March by Melbourne Water. Unfortunately, this program cannot run this year at Albion. However, it means another school will be able to run the program.

Brimbank Awards

As previous recipients, the school was invited to attend the *We are Brimbank awards 2026* however both Marita and Adrienne will be at school camp so an apology was sent.