

# Sustainability Update – March 2025

As a 5-Star school, we must continue to maintain our rating through ResourceSmart Schools (RSS).

The Biodiversity and Waste modules are due for re-accreditation in September and December 2025 respectively. As such, we are continuing to develop and update work in these areas.

We have been asked by Brimbank council to host a sustainability network meeting at Albion PS and to talk about our journey to becoming a 5-Star sustainable school over the last five years. We would also answer any questions that schools may have. A date is yet to be determined.

We continue to remind and support students, so they know as to what goes into the different bins.

**Yellow** bin – paper, cardboard and hard plastic

**10c Yellow bin outside** – relevant 10c containers

**Blue** Murfee bottom – other recyclables such as bottle caps, bread tags, ring pulls, oral care, old pens, pencils, textas & glue sticks,

**Red** bin – land fill all other waste

**Green food scraps caddy** – all food scraps

**Food scraps buckets outside** – all food scraps

**‘WOW’ Wednesday** and **Fruity Friday** continue. House captains are responsible for giving out house points and collecting data on these days. The data goes up and down each week, although stays fairly consistent.

**Active Travel** – our first special day will coincide with National Ride2School day on Friday 21st of March. A note will go in the E-News and a check done for permission notes so students can participate.

**Environmental leaders** – Mark and Sonam are the appointed Environmental leaders this year. They have been collecting the food scraps each week from the yard and staff room and taking them to the compost bins, worm farms and chicken. They have also been guiding and supporting the classroom monitors to empty their classroom caddy in the correct compost bin. Mark and Sonam also collect the 10c containers from the relevant bins inside and outside and place in bags to be dropped off at the end of each term.

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