

Sustainability Update – September 2025

We continue to maintain our 5star Sustainability rating - **ResourceSmart School (RSS)**. We had notification on Friday 5th September that the RSS modules will now be accredited for 5 years rather than 4 years. We are seeking clarification on our Waste module, whether it will be December 2025 (4 years) or 2026 and the Core module as it due in March 2026 (3 years).

Water module – August 2028, Energy module – March 2029, Biodiversity module – August 2030.

Biodiversity module

We received notification on Friday 8th August that our Biodiversity module has been certified by Sustainability Victoria – see below;

Marita, Adrienne and team,

Congratulations we know how hard you've worked to deeply embed ResourceSmart at Albion Primary School. We continue to be impressed with your amazing work - so many creative approaches, and your student leadership is outstanding.

Congratulations on having this module certified and maintaining your 5-star status.

Waste Module

The Waste module will be submitted for re-accreditation in November 2025.

Students have commenced waste audits this term during their Sustainability lesson. We will continue to look at the classroom bins and the outside bins ensuring that waste is being put into the right bin.

Nine new 120L bins have been purchased from the \$1000 we received from Bendigo Bank for the yard. Three yellow, three red and three green bins. They have been placed in three areas of the designated eating area and students have been shown how these bins are to be used at the assembly on Friday 5th September. Yard duty teachers need to ensure all students with food are sitting in the designated eating area and not wandering around the school yard whilst eating.

‘WOW’ Wednesday and Fruity Friday

These days 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.

Sustainability Network Meeting

We have been asked to host a sustainability network meeting at Albion PS and this will take place on Monday 1st December 2025.

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