

Subject:	REEN Term 3 - Virtual
Venue:	Online Via MS Teams
Date:	Tuesday, 8 August 2022
Time:	4.00pm – 5.00pm
Chair:	Emma Tang and Bonnie Mackenney

REEN Minutes

1.0	<p>Guest Speaker 1 – Michael Balk and Cate McQuillen – Get Grubby</p> <p>The City of Ryde has signed up to the 'get grubby' program, an online sustainability curriculum for everyone in our City wanting to learn about Waste, Recycling and Sustainability.</p> <p>It usually requires a paid subscription for access, but the exciting news is that it is now free for anyone living or working in the City of Ryde with a valid City of Ryde residential or business address. As part of our commitment to sustainability education, we have covered all the costs for you to participate.</p> <p>The program contains 10 sustainability units, covering topics such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • recycling • composting • worm farming • saving water • growing food • getting grubby! <p>Each unit contains special videos from dirtgirl, scrapboy, and Costa the Garden Gnome, great songs to sing and dance to, heaps of activities, fun games and loads of hands on ideas for you and your community of children and have been matched to the National Quality Standards and the Belonging, Being & Becoming Early Years Learning Framework, and packed them with heaps of dirtgirlworld fun!</p> <p>To register go to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • https://www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/Environment-and-Waste/Waste-and-Recycling/Education-Programs/Get-Grubby-Program • Email Robyn Kelly on robyn@dirtgirlworld.com for your access code
2.0	<p>Guest Speaker 2 – Hailey Durham – Eco Schools</p> <p>Eco-Schools makes working on sustainability practical and fun and is motivational for students and teachers all around the globe. Become part of the movement in Australia today.</p> <p>For more information contact Hailey hdurham@kabnsw.org.au or visit https://www.eco-schools.org.au/</p>
3.0	<p>Anti-litter School Art Competition</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Competition opens Monday 15th August 2022 • Closing date Sunday 4th September 2022 • Open to all aged between 5 – 12 years old who live, work or play in Ryde LGA

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Theme – Help fight litter / how does litter impact our environment <p>Winning artworks will be showcased at Ryde Library</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3 categories; 6 prizes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Aged 5 – 7: \$200 winner, \$100 runner up ○ Aged 8 – 10: \$200 winner, \$100 runner up ○ Aged 11 – 12: \$200 winner, \$100 runner up <p>Further information and submissions online via www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/schoolartcomp</p>
4.0	<p>SWAP 2022</p> <p>City of Ryde’s annual art competition which encourages people to express their creativity through repurposing rubbish and reclaimed materials to highlight environmental issues</p> <p>Exhibition open Friday 2 September to Thursday 15 September from 11am-4pm on Tuesdays to Saturdays at See Street Gallery, Meadowbank TAFE.</p> <p>Digital exhibition open on Council’s website Friday 2 September to Friday 30 September www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/swap</p> <p>This year will have 20 Junior, 15 Youth and 40 Open Artworks on Exhibition.</p> <p>Encourage your students to visit the exhibition for some inspiration for next year’s competition and vote for their favourite artwork to be coincided for the ‘People’s choice’ prize</p>
5.0	<p>Spring Garden Comp 2022</p> <p>Entries open 1 July 2022</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Children’s seed growing competition*: Children can enter in the following age brackets: 3 – 7 years and 8 - 12 years. The seeds to be grown are Dwarf Sunflowers. Free seeds, pot and growing instructions will be available for collection from Eden Gardens (date TBC). Note: We encourage entries in the Children’s Seed Growing category to be made before 31 August to allow for maximum seed growing time. • Local school gardens: gardens within local primary schools, high schools and pre-schools where students and teachers have worked together.
6.0	<p>Edible Gardens Project</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fight food waste and reduce food scraps • Learn about organic recycling • Expression of interest (EOI) now open to all schools in Ryde LGA www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/Environment-and-Waste/Resources-for-Schools/Edible-Gardens-in-Schools • Last term Ryde Secondary College completed the pilot project
7.0	<p>Love Food Hate Waste</p> <p>Free workshops for Primary Schools provided by Cleanaway and NSW EPA</p> <p>Contact Charlotte Landini – kNOw Waste Education Program Coordinator Education.nsw@cleanaway.com.au</p>
8.0	<p>Programs Available for Term 2, 3 and 4</p> <p>Please remember we have some excellent programs available for you to take advantage of;</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Oz Harvest FEAST - Ryde FEAST webpage – this is opened to primary schools 2. ClimateClever Schools Platform – student-led platform enables schools to reduce their carbon footprint, save money on their bills and slots right into the curriculum - sign up for free today on the City of Ryde platform https://www.climateclever.org/school?partner=cityofryde
9.0	<p>General Business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Term 3 REEN Meeting – Tuesday 8 November 2022 – Location TBA
<p>Close meeting</p>	