## **REEN Meeting Term 2 2019**

# Epping Boys High School

## Wednesday 15 May

## Attendees

Margaret Kelly	Community Member
lan Bulgin	Marsden High School
Kurt Woods	Marsden High School
Megan Jay	Marsden High School
Kerri Spence	Marsden I.E.C
Candice Mariz	MUSEC School
Ping Shu	MUSEC School
Anna Schneider	MUSEC School
Judy Taylor	Ermington Public School
Anita Jain	Epping Boys High School
Sylvia Lane	Epping Boys High School
Chris Yates	Ryde Secondary College
Michelle Brooks	Putney Public School
Meg Woods	Early Learning Macquarie University
Annalisa Roy	Kent Road Public School

## Item 1: Sustainable Waste 2 Art Prize

## Ben Eadie, October Sun and Paul Bates, Ryde Council

- Entries to SWAP are open 4 June
- Schools are encouraged to get their students involved
- Council are holding 2 workshops for 11 18yr olds in July for interested students
- Schools are also encouraged to host their own workshops. Council staff can provide the details of the workshop providers we recommend
- Details of the competition will be uploaded by the end of May to the <u>SWAP website</u> or teachers can contact <u>Ben@octobersun.com.au</u>

## Item 2: Love Food Hate Waste Schools Program

## Elizabeth Craggs, EPA

- EPA are piloting a food waste reduction project in Schools for years 1 to
  8
- Linked with the Australian curriculum and NSW syllabus
- THE EPA will provide participating schools with lesson plans, worksheets and homework sheets
- It includes a range of activities research, experiments and conversations
- Time period Terms 2, 3 and 4
- Post pilot evaluation required
- Participating schools are asked to test the resources provided with their classes and complete the online feedback
- Schools can receive up to \$500 to cover the cost of participation
- For more information email <u>info@lovefoodhatewaste.nsw.gov.au</u>

## Item 3: National Tree Day

## Bev Debrincat, The Habitat Nursery

- National Schools Tree Day is on Friday 26 July
- Bev can assist schools holing an event by providing some free plants from the Habitat or by providing advice on what species to pick
- Bev can also come out to the school to provide advice on how to plant for small bird habitat
- To contact Bev email <u>bev.debrincat@iewf.org</u>

## Item 4: Parramatta River Catchment Group – 1 million Turtles

## Jo Taranto, PRCG

- The 1 Million Turtles program has the aim of becoming Australia's largest, community-empowered, conservation program.
- The goal is to release more than 1 million extra turtles throughout south eastern Australia each year.
- Current partners in a pilot turtle breeding program are Pymble Ladies College and Oatlands Golf Club.
- There is a view to expand the program to other schools and organisations across the catchment.
- If your school would like to be involved contact <u>jtaranto@cityofparramatta.nsw.gov.au</u>