



Wipe Out Waste



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WOW PD, Feb 25th, 4-6pm

Wipe out Waste is holding an early years PD session at Bubble n Squeak – Gilles Plains, on Wednesday February 25th from 4 - 6pm.

Small grants of \$200 are currently available per site with staff attending.

For more information or to book, please visit www.wow.sa.gov.au/field-trips--pd.html
Please book ASAP.

We'd love to see someone from your site, especially if you have not been to one before.

Please feel free to forward to interested colleagues at other sites.

WOW PDs for 2015

We are not currently

WOW Term 1, 2015

Welcome to the start of 2015. WOW newsletters will continue to be released once a term to share important dates, events, and information about resource recovery.

Early Years Big Books

WOW has developed, 'The Journey of My Bins', for all preschools and childcare services in SA.

The books describe what happens to materials collected from home or your site.

Each book covers a bin – Waste / Landfill, Recycling, Green Organics and the Journey of My Bins. While your region may not have all of these services, we have included all services currently offered in SA.

Print your own copy by clicking the link below.

www.wow.sa.gov.au/big-books---the-journey-of-my-bins.html

An evaluation form for your feedback about this new resource is at www.wow.sa.gov.au/uploads/1/9/2/6/19269635/2014_early_years_big_books_evaluation_form.pdf

New WOW Case Studies and Proforma Page



running any PDs (other than in regional areas during trips to Upper South East, Mid North to Roxby, and Whyalla).

Check out the WOW PD webpage for more info on upcoming PDs www.wow.sa.gov.au/field-trips--pd.html

WOW Newsletter Sign Up

Do you have friends or colleagues that would enjoy WOW news? Get them to sign up to our WOW newsletter. Head to the WOW website to register and check out other resources available.

Early Years Webpage



With a focus on supporting the very enthusiastic Early Years sector and their communities, we have a new webpage, with early years specific case studies, resources and links.

www.wow.sa.gov.au/early-years.html

New WOW resources

Keep an eye on the WOW website as the team have been working on new resources over the holiday break. New resources include bin assessment lessons, audit extension discussions, and bulk buy packaging resources.

www.wow.sa.gov.au/

KESAB and Wrigleys Litter Less resource coming soon...

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Lady Gowrie Child Centre
Thebarton, 32 staff, ~300 children
Case Study

All Lady Gowrie Child Centre, there is no excuse when it comes to the environment according to Administration Officer Albie Holmes who is passionate about sustainability. Staff are working towards the goal of cutting their materials use to landfill to half by the end of 2014.

- nappies and face washers are reusable
- paper and cardboard are recycled
- food scraps are collected in the green organics bin
- child-safe hand straps in bathrooms keep paper towels to a minimum and
- plastic bags are not supplied, families can purchase or bring their own reusable laundry bag for soiled clothes.

Nappies

The centre has been using cloth nappies for over 10 years and although nappy changing can take longer with cloth nappies, staff enjoy this as bonding time with the children.

Cloth nappies and face washers are supplied by Stock Lines Services.

Used cloth nappies are put in a 240 litre bin and collected weekly.

New staff are trained in folding and changing cloth nappies, nappies and nappies them with their own.

Every week Stock Lines Services offer used nappies and nappies them with their own.

Nearly 80% of the parents of children attending the centre are happy to use the provided cloth nappies, while others supply their own single use (disposable) nappies.

Used cloth nappies are placed in a 240 litre bin supplied by Stock Lines. Staff collect the nappies once a week, and supply them nappies for the next week.

Staff encourage families to consider cloth nappies because of the environmental benefits and to help with nappy training as children can more easily feel when a cloth nappy is wet. A cool liner oil based barrier cream is used to prevent nappy rash.

Single use nappies are no longer provided at the centre stopped purchasing single use nappies in 2013. If a child's cover does not provide enough nappies for the day, the child will go home in a cloth nappy and the family is responsible for washing and returning it to the centre.

Parents must provide their own nappies if they prefer their child to wear single use nappies.

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gov.au/case-studies.html

WOW Evaluation Survey

WOW is seeking feedback on its services and resources over the last 8 years. Please complete a brief survey (10 questions) at www.surveymonkey.com/s/8ZJDJWS.

We greatly appreciate your input.

WOW is booked solid!

We are booked solid until July, so please don't call and be disappointed.

There are online DIY Audit kit and Bin Systems Assessment resources, with new teacher notes that will be uploaded in coming weeks. Please check the WOW web regularly for new resources, which are going up rapidly! www.wow.sa.gov.au

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DN Bin Materials Audit Kit

Site Material Streams Summary (volume)

Stream	Percentage
Compostables stream	29%
Recyclables stream	35%
Landfill Items stream	30%
Reusables stream	6%
Food and Drink Packaging	20%

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Wally and the WOW Wiz are on the road...

WOW's Wally and the Wipe Out Waste Wizard show may be coming to a regional site near you! If you haven't already registered your site for the show - email us quickly as we hope to finalise bookings and numbers in the next few weeks.

We'll be visiting the following areas:
Feb 18-19 - Copper Coast

This provides information about what sites are doing in relation to waste management, resource recovery and learning. Please send us your stories (from staff, students and families) and pictures (jpg format 300 dpi) through the Case Study Proforma, for inclusion on the website.

www.wow.sa.gov.au/case-study-proforma.html

Current case studies are from Lady Gowrie Child Centre, and Banksia Park Kindergarten www.wow.sa.gov.au/case-studies.html

A new Litter Less resource incorporating new curriculum is being developed, and will soon be available for purchase. More details in the next newsletter .

March 16-19 - **Bordertown, Naracoorte, Millicent, Kingston SE**
May 18- 21 - **Eudunda, Booleroo, Port Augusta, Roxby Downs**
June 17- 19 - **Whyalla**

Stuff! Making sustainable choices at home



Have you ever wondered what to do with stuff at home that you no longer want or need? Look at the 'Stuff! Making sustainable choices at home' educational CD resource. The resource assists students and families to make sustainable choices

with common items.

www.enviromethod.edu.au/

Resource Recovery around the world...

This interesting article featuring anthropomorphic Canadian spaghetti leftovers gives an insight into what's happening in other countries and may provide students with signage inspiration too! <http://www.citylab.com/cityfixer/2015/01/every-city-needs-vancouvers-ban-on-food-scrap/384391/>

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