

CREATE4 ADELAIDE

WELCOME TO CREATE4ADELAIDE!

DO YOU WANT TO HELP SAVE THE PLANET?

Create4Adelaide will take you on an adventure all throughout the year, where you will be able to learn about climate change and its impacts in Australia. In March, 2,000 of your classmates voted on the top three climate change priorities for South Australia. Now, it is your turn to play your part!

HOW MUCH DO YOU KNOW ABOUT CLIMATE CHANGE?

This learning pack will help you discover everything there is to know about climate change, to then create powerful artworks.

LET'S CREATE!

Your artwork should suggest how South Australia can address your chosen priority - a drawing, a painting or a campaign idea... So many ways to make your voice heard!

Your participation can change the world and help to build a cleaner planet for your friends, your families, and all the people of Adelaide.

> THIS PACK GIVES YOU:

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WHATIS CLIMATE CHANGE?

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Human and industrial activities have increased over the last 150 years.

This has led to devastating consequences for our planet, mainly because of:

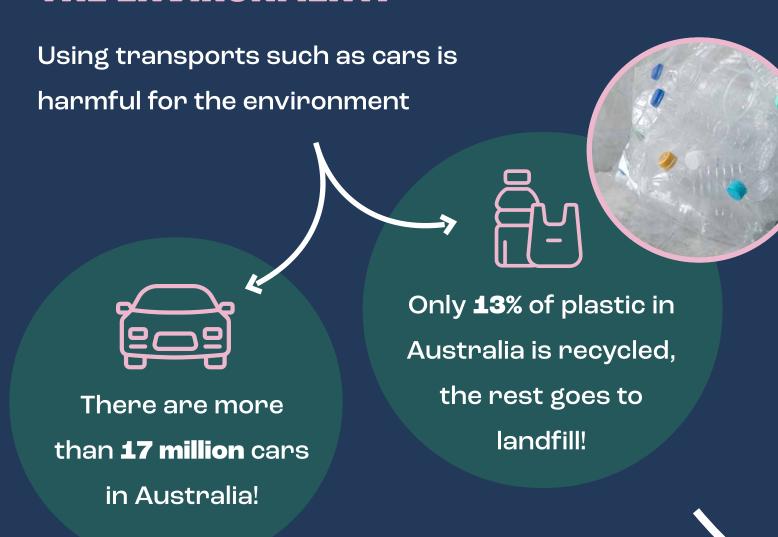


• PRODUCING AND CONSUMING TOO MUCH:



Food is produced in mass quantities, yet **33**% of it is wasted every year!

• MAKING CHOICES THAT ARE DISRESPECTFUL TOWARDS THE ENVIRONMENT:



THESE HUMAN ACTIVITIES ALL GENERATE LARGE **AMOUNTS OF** GREENHOUSE GASES. THESE GASES TRAP THE ATMOSPHERE'S HEAT, LEADING TO INCREASED **TEMPERATURES ON** EARTH.

THIS IS WHY WE TALK
ABOUT GLOBAL WARMING
AND CLIMATE CHANGE.

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PRIORITIES

#1 EXTINCTION OF ANIMALS AND PLANTS

Animals and plants are threatened by Earth's growing population. Humans need more space, consume more and generate more waste. We are currently experiencing the sixth mass extinction of animals and plants.

WHAT IS EXTINCTION?

Extinction occurs when species of animals or plants disappear.

EXTINCT IN THE WILD:

South China Tiger



ENDANGERED:

Blue Whale



NEAR THREATENED:



Zebra



EXTINCT:

Pinta Giant Tortoise

The last individual, named Lonesome George, died in 2012



CRITICALLY ENDANGERED:

Orangutan



VULNERABLE:

Hippopotamus

In Australia, **533 animal** and **1,385 plant species** are currently listed as Endangered or Critically Endangered. Most endangered animals in Australia:



Numbat

Mountain

pygmy-

possum



Gouldian finch



Orangebellied parrot



Koala (especially vulnerable after the 2019-20 bushfires)



The use of pesticides pollutes the air, and deforestation destroys animals' and plants' homes.

Plants that suffered the most from Black Summer bushfires:



Eucalypt plants



Orchids



Rainforest trees

Extreme weather events:

WHAT ARE THE CAUSES?

Harmful farming activities:



The "Black Summer" bushfires killed or displaced 3 billion animals: 60 000 of them were koalas. This is more than the population of Tasmania!

#1) EXTINCTION OF ANIMALS AND PLANTS



→ JOIN A LOCAL BRIGADE TO PARTICIPATE IN LISTING ENDANGERED ANIMALS.





→ Carla Grace is an Adelaide-based artist. She creates realistic wildlife paintings

INSPIRED!

→ The Wild At Art competition invites children to learn about Australia's threatened animals and plants whilst creating drawings





→ WHICH ENDANGERED **ANIMAL IS DEAREST TO YOU? DRAW A PICTURE OF IT!**



→GO TO THE **BOTANICAL GARDENS** AND GET CREATIVE **ABOUT ENDANGERED** PLANTS!



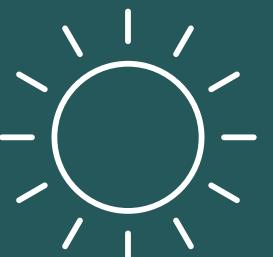
#2) EXTREME WEATHER EVENTS

(BUSHFIRES, FLOODS, DROUGHTS)

Although it is normal for the planet to experience changes in temperatures, human activities that are disrespectful towards the planet cause frequent and intense changes in the climate nowadays.

HOW DOES IT WORK?

How higher temperatures cause extreme rainfall





More heat from sun causes greater evaporation





More moisture forms clouds





Heavier rain

WHAT ARE EXTREME **WEATHER EVENTS?**





Droughts:

A drought is a period of dry weather, when an area gets less than its normal amount of rain. Because crops and other plants need water to grow and land animals need water to live, droughts can be very dangerous.



Floods:

A flood is an overflow of a large amount of water beyond its normal limit.

> The flood of the river Murray in December 2022: the size of the river went from 150m to 6 km in width. This is equivalent to 100 football pitches!



Bushfires:

A bushfire is a fire in nature that spreads rapidly.

In areas with a lot of vegetation, dried out trees become the perfect source of fuel for fires, making them extremely difficult to put out.





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HOW CAN YOU TAKE ACTION?

→ PARTICIPATE IN **REGREENING ACTIONS BY**

PLANTING OR GROWING A GARDEN

PROMOTE THE **CONSUMPTION OF**

LOCALLY-GROWN FOOD

ORGANISE EVENTS AT SCHOOL THAT PROMOTE

CLIMATE CHANGE AWARENESS

→ Australian artists are using charcoal left behind from the Black Summer bushfires in Australia to create empowering pieces of art.

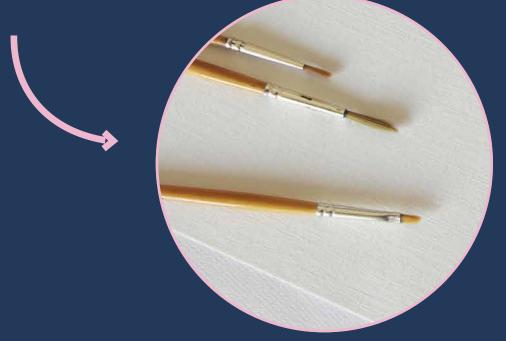


ightarrow This painting in particular is artist Jaimee Paul's Wounded Healer, and is dedicated to tree climber Kai Wild who has helped save more than 70 koalas from the bushfires.





→ WHAT WOULD YOUR **DREAM GARDEN LOOK LIKE?** LET YOUR IMAGINATION FLOW, AND CREATE AN **ARTWORK OF IT!**



#3 POLLUTION OF OUR — AIR AND WATERWAYS

WHAT IS POLLUTION?

Pollution is anything that makes the Earth dirty and unhealthy. It happens when the air and water are contaminated by substances that are harmful.





WHAT ARE THE CAUSES?



Air pollution:

When abnormal substances enter the air we breathe, through:

- Burning fossil fuels for industrial practices
- Using motor vehicles such as cars



Water pollution:

When dangerous foreign substances like pesticides, fertilisers and chemicals enter into water, through:

 Dumping plastic into water: plastic never fully decomposes and can be a choking hazard for many marine animals



Every 60 seconds, we dump the equivalent of one garbage truck straight into the ocean. If we carry on as usual, this could mean there will be more plastic than fish in the world's oceans in 2050. An estimated 1 000 turtles die each year due to plastic ingestion.

Use of pesticides for farming activities

#3) POLLUTION OF OUR AIR AND WATERWAYS



HOW CAN YOU TAKE ACTION?

→ PARTICIPATE IN BEACH CLEANUPS

→USE GREEN TRANSPORTS:

GET TO SCHOOL BY BIKE/ SCOOTER/SKATEBOARD, OR BY PUBLIC TRANSPORT

→PUT YOUR PLASTIC IN THE RECYCLING BIN



INSPIRED!

→ The Australian artist

Barefooted Welder creates

life-size metal sculptures of

creatures, using discarded

metal he picks up in

landfills.





→ CREATE AN ARTWORK
USING ITEMS PICKED UP
FROM THE BEACH CLEANUPS



→ CREATE A CAMPAIGN
ABOUT RIVER POLLUTION