

FAIRFIELD CITY COUNCIL'S FREE ENVIRONMENTAL WORKSHOPS

To book a free workshop, visit www.fairfieldcity.nsw.gov.au/events and go to the date the workshop is on or contact Fairfield City Council on 9725 0222. Booking for each event open one month before the scheduled date. Please note that with COVID restrictions workshop may be canceled.

Workshops	Date and time	Location	Description
Home grown food for the year	6 February 10am	Online	Have you ever wanted to grow your own fruit and vegetables and not known what to plant or when? This online course will introduce you to what food can be grown in your garden all year around.
Six keys to decluttering success	27 February 10am	Online	Learn the art of decluttering, where we share our method for decluttering and staying organised for life. Take a journey with us to look at the common hurdles faced and our tips and tricks for overcoming those hurdles.
Rethinking your wardrobe	6 March 10am	Online	Would you love to open your wardrobe and feel like it's super-organised, and full of the things you LOVE? Join our wardrobe decluttering challenge.
			The first step to creating a wardrobe you love is decluttering it of the stuff you don't!
Energy, Water and Waste audits	13 March 10am	Online	Learn the basics of how to tackle clutter, re-think habits, organise timetables, laundry, bathrooms and kitchens to make a real difference in water and energy consumption.
Bring back the cloth nappy	20 March 10am	Online	Are you thinking about using modern cloth nappies and don't know where to start? Join us online for our introduction to cloth nappy webinar. We've got a cloth nappy expert ready to answer your questions and help you get started. We will talk about:  • the different styles of cloth nappies available  • what you need to get started,  • how to wash cloth nappies  • troubleshooting leaks and issues  • environmental and financial benefits  • why cloth nappies are fun
Breakfast with the Birds	27 March 7.30am	Irelands Bridge Reserve	Join Andrew Patrick from Zest for Birds on a walk and talk as he highlights the variety of birdlife. Please wear comfortable shoes, sun smart clothing and bring water and binoculars. Brunch will be provided.
Propagation for Kids	10 April 9am	Fairfield Community Nursery at Nalawala	A terrific workshop focused on teaching kids how to propagate and grow plants for the bush and garden.
Plastic Free living and making bees wax wraps	01 May 9am	Nalawala	Have you ever wondered how much plastic we use in each household? Come and learn how to reduce the amount of plastic that we use. Learn to make bees wax wraps.
Fairfield's Hidden Nightlife – Spotlighting	Friday 7 May 8.30pm	ТВА	Have you ever wondered what creatures come out at night? Come for a night walk along one of Fairfield City's creeks and use all your senses to explore what Fairfield City has to offer. You will need to wear warm clothes, mosquito repellent and bring a spot light or torch.
Basic Cheese Making – Soft Cheeses	15 May 9am	Nalawala	If you love cheese and want to learn how to make it at home, then come to this course! Learn the basics of home cheese making with chef Gerry Barbara. You'll learn how to make ricotta, mascarpone, halloumi, quark and labneh, and the many uses for leftover whey.
Guided Walk and Photography	22 May 9 – 11am	Cutler Road	Learn about the features of the natural biodiversity along the river as well as the past management practices around creek lines of Fairfield City. Learn about the Aboriginal and European history of the river with Jennifer Farrer from Boronia Tours. The walk will start at the end of Cook Avenue, Canley Vale.
Natural home pest control	29 May 9am	Nalawala	Have you ever wondered what is in the products we purchase to use in the garden? Have you ever thought about what you could be using as an alternative? Come and learn how to make your own natural gardening products.
Fermenting Food	5 June 9am	Nalawala	Learn about:  a. Vegies: kimchee, sauerkraut, beets, radish.  b. Dairy: Hard Cheese, Soft cheese, Yoghurt.  c. Probiotic Drinks: Kefir, Kombucha, Ciders.  d. Beans: Tofu, Tempeh.
Guided Walk – Prospect Creek	12 June 9 – 11am	TBC	Come and be inspired with the features of natural biodiversity along the river as well as the past management practices around creek lines of Fairfield City. Learn about the Aboriginal and European history of the river with Jennifer Farrer from Boronia Tours.



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Worm Farming Intermediate level	19 June 9am	Nalawala	In the Worm Farming Workshop you will learn how to create wonderful, rich compost - the basis of any great garden, worm farming and how to use "worm tea" and "worm castings" and create your own worm farm from "waste" products.
Backyard Habitat for kids	10 July 9am	Nalawala	A fantastic workshop designed to introduce kids to the local animals and bugs that live alongside us. Workshop includes animal presentation.
How to make kim chi and kombucha	17 July 9am	Nalawala	Come and learn step by step to make kim chi and kombucha.
Weed Identification and control	7 August 9am	Nalawala	Did you know our gardens are the greatest source of bushland weeds? Learn what plants in your garden can spread to our bushland reserves, how they spread and how we can prevent this from happening. Look at alternative plants that serve the same function as those classified as environmental weeds. You will also receive some free native plants for your garden.
Keeping chickens	14 August 9am	Nalawala	In this workshop we will look at the different types of chickens, yield for each breed, and impact on neighbours and the environment. We will also cover the topics of housing requirements and looking at the local Council requirements, feeding, watering, dusting, and predators. We will also explore using them for garden work and using their by-products.
Eat better and avoid food waste – cooking with leftovers	21 August 9am	Nalawala	Learn how to make sustainable food choices, to help save the planet and save you time and money. The distances our food travels to us is at an all-time high, and so is our level of food wastage. Learn about reducing food miles and food wastage.
Guided Walk – Western Sydney Parklands	28 August 9 – 11am	Plough and Harrow	Learn about the features of the natural biodiversity in Western Sydney Parklands as well as the past management practices. Learn about the Aboriginal and European history of the Fairfield City area with Jennifer Farrer from Boronia Tours. The walk will start at Plough and Harrow, eastern car park in Western Sydney Parklands.
Breakfast with the Birds	4 September 7.30am	Shearer Park, Lansvale	Join Andrew Patrick from Zest for Birds on a walk and talk as he highlights the variety of birdlife. Please wear comfortable shoes, sun smart clothing and bring water and binoculars. Brunch will be provided.
Frogs in Fairfield	Friday 10 September 7pm	ТВА	Come and listen to a talk on frogs in the local area and learn how frogs are the indicators of the health of the environment. The evening will conclude with a stroll through a wetlands to see what frogs we have in Fairfield City.
Enviro Bootcamp	21 September – 30 September		These workshops are held in the spring school holidays for primary school aged children. The focus is on experiencing the natural environment, and how to reduce our impacts on the environment through reducing and reusing waste.
Micro-plastic in our environment – What can we do?	9 October 9am	End of Cutler Road	Come and learn how micro-plastics are measured in the environment, learn the scientific methods used and how you can help reduce microplastics.
Nocturnal mini-beasts	Friday 15 October 8:30	Fairfield Park	Join us on a citizen science project. A guided adventure through Fairfield Park. We will investigate the mini-beasts within the park, through the use of a UV insect light trap. Learn how to record the information in Australia's fauna data bases.
Chemical Free Living – body products	23 October 9am	Nalawala	Have you ever wondered what is in the products we purchase to use on our skin and how they work? Have you ever thought about what you could be using as an alternative? Come and learn how to make your own natural skincare products.
Cooking with Australian Native Foods	6 November 9am	Nalawala	Come and join chef Gerry Barbara as we explore different recipes that you can use Australian native plants in.
Upcycling Fashion Tour	13 November 9am	Fairfield town centre	Come and join us in celebrating national recycling week. The fashion tour will visit op-shops within the Fairfield City area, looking at how we can repurpose cloths, and other items found in op-shops.
Cooking with leftovers – Christmas	4 December 9am	Nalawala	Have you ever wondered what to do with leftovers that multiply in the fridge? Don't throw them away, come and learn how to transform them into delicious looking and tasty meals.



Events	Date and time	Location	Description
Community Rides	1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday each month	Fairfield Showground Moonlight Road Prairiewood	This event encourages residents who are new to riding to experience riding the local area. The rides start and finish at the WSCN Clubhouse located at Fairfield Showground off Moonlight Road. There is plenty of parking and excellent bicycle accessibility using the Orphan School Creek Cycleway. Sunday Community ride ends with a free sausage sizzle back at our club house.
Business Clean Up Australia Day	Tuesday 2 March	Various sites in Fairfield City	Be a part of the largest community based environmental initiative in the country by cleaning up your local area. Visit www.cleanupaustraliaday.org.au to find a site or register your own.
Schools Clean Up Australia Day	Friday 5 March		www.cleanupaustranauay.org.au to find a site of register your own.
Clean Up Australia Day	7 March All day		
Earth Hour	28 March 8.30 – 9.30pm	Your house	Join millions of people worldwide by turning off all lights and non-essential electrical appliances such as TVs, computers and phone chargers for one hour.
Asbestos Collection Week	February Registrations open	Your property	Register with Fairfield City Council to have asbestos removed from your property. The asbestos must be appropriately packaged.
Schools National Tree Day	Friday 30 July		National Tree Day is Australia's largest community tree planting event. By planting trees you will be joining thousands of individuals
National Tree Day	Sunday 1 August		in making a difference, connecting people with nature, beautifying neighbourhoods and inspiring positive environmental change. BBQ lunch will be provided.
Spring Clean Drop Off Day	TBC	Fairfield Showground	Bring along your unwanted bulky household items and garden waste to Council's free collection day. This event is for Fairfield City Council residents only.
Asbestos Collection Week	October Registrations open	Your property	Register with Fairfield City Council to have asbestos removed from your property. The asbestos must be appropriately packaged.
Chemical Clean-Out Drop Off Day	TBC	Fairfield Showground	Safely dispose of your hazardous and electronic materials at Council's free drop off day.

Community Groups	Date and time	Location/ Venue	Description
Fairfield Community Nursery	Every Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 8.30am - 12Noon	Nalawala Moonlight Road Prairiewood	Fairfield Community Nursery is a Council run, volunteer local provenance native plant production nursery and gardens project. Our Volunteers participate in every aspect of the day to day running of the nursery from seed collection to plant propagation to the maintenance of the nursery and gardens including our new Nalawala Community Educational Garden.
Fairfield Creeks and Wetland Group	Quarterly meeting on a Thursday night 6.30 - 8.30pm	Nalawala Moonlight Road Prairiewood	This group is committed to the restoration of Fairfield City's waterways. The group formed in 1996 and has worked in partnership with Council to conserve our creeks, wetlands and wildlife. The group holds meetings at Council every six weeks and holds working bees and/or tree planting days on a regular basis.
Indigenous Flora Park Bushcare Group	3 <sup>rd</sup> Saturday of each month 9am – noon	Christie Street, Prairiewood at the entrance to the Flora Park	The Flora Park Bushcare Group was the pioneer environmental community group in Fairfield City, established in 1991. The Flora Park Bushcare group are at a stage where native regeneration is greater than weed regeneration. They need your help to maintain this area and continue this regeneration. Tasks will include: hand weeding, track maintenance, seed collecting and monitoring.
Western Sydney Cycling Network	Recycling Shed: Every Wednesday 9am – 1pm Rides: Every Thursday and Saturday varied start times See our web page: https://www.western sydneycycling network.com.au/	Nalawala Moonlight Road Prairiewood	Western Sydney Cycling Network (WSCN) members enjoy riding bicycles, having a coffee, and recycling bikes so that others may do the same. WSCN are situated in Fairfield Showground, Moonlight Road Prairiewood. WSCN is a non-profit community based cycling group, affiliated with both Cycling NSW and also Bicycle NSW. All are invited to join WSCN.  WSCN aim to achieve:  The promotion of cycling  To provide a bicycle recycling service to the community  To provide education and a program of rides  To encourage a social and healthy lifestyle  Fairfield City Council supports the WSCN by providing the clubhouse and bicycle recycling facility. The shared goals of the WSCN and Council are health promotion, waste reduction and



# Black-shouldered Kite (Elanus axillaris) Lesser Wanderer Danaus chrysippus Australasian Grebe Tachybaptus novaehollandiae

# January 2021

Fri	1	New Year's Day
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Tue	26	Australia Day
Wed	27	Community Nursery reopens after Xmas closure School term 1 begins
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# February 2021

Registrations open for household asbestos removal program in Februar

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Sat	6	Home grown food for the year workshop
Sun	7	WSCN Community Rides
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Mon	15	Seniors Week
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Sat	20	Indigenous Flora Park Bushcare Group
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Sat	27	Six keys to decluttering success workshop
Sun	28	



# March 2021

Mon	1	
Tue	2	Business Clean Up Australia Day
Wed	3	World Wildlife Day
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Fri	5	Schools Clean Up Australia Day
Sat	6	Rethinking your wardrobe workshop
Sun	7	WSCN Community Rides Clean Up Australia Day
Mon	8	International Women's Day
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Sat	13	Energy, Water and Waste audits workshop
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Sat	20	Bring back the cloth nappy workshop Indigenous Flora Park Bushcare Group March Equinox
Sun	21	Harmony Day
Mon	22	World Water Day
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Sat	27	Breakfast with the birds walk
Sun	28	Earth Hour
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Wed	31	



# April 2021

Thu	1	Last day school term 1
Fri	2	Good Friday
Sat	3	Easter Saturday
Sun	4	WSCN Community Rides  Easter Sunday  Daylight saving ends
Mon	5	Easter Monday
Tue	6	
Wed	7	
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Sat	10	Propagation for Kids workshop
Sun	11	Bring it on! Festival
Mon	12	
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Sat	17	Indigenous Flora Park Bushcare Group
Sun	18	World Heritage Day
Mon	19	School term 2 begins
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Sun	25	ANZAC Day
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# Sulphur-crested Cockatoo (Cacatua galerita) Laughing Kookaburra (Dacelo novaeguineae) Mistletoe Day Moth (Comocrus behri)

# May 2021

Sat	1	Plastic Free living and making bees wax wraps workshop
Sun	2	WSCN Community Rides
Mon	3	International Composting Awareness Week
Tue	4	
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Fri	7	Fairfield's Hidden Nightlife – Spotlighting walk
Sat	8	
Sun	9	Mother's Day
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Sat	15	Basic Cheese Making – Soft Cheeses workshop Indigenous Flora Park Bushcare Group
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Sat	22	Guided Walk and Photography workshop International Day for Biological Diversity
Sun	23	
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Wed	26	■ National Sorry Day
Thu	27	
Fri	28	
Sat	29	Natural home pest control workshop
Sun	30	
Mon	31	

# Zornia (Zornia dyctiocarpa) Yellow Monday (Cyclochila australasiae) Climbing Orchid (Erythrorchis cassythoides)

# June 2021

Tue	1	
Wed	2	
Thu	3	
Fri	4	
Sat	5	Fermenting Food workshop World Environment Day
Sun	6	WSCN Community Rides
Mon	7	
Tue	8	World Oceans Day
Wed	9	
Thu	10	
Fri	11	
Sat	12	Guided Walk – Prospect Creek
Sun	13	
Mon	14	Queen's Birthday
Tue	15	
Wed	16	
Thu	17	World Desertification and Drought Day
Fri	18	
Sat	19	Indigenous Flora Park Bushcare Group Worm Farming Intermediate level workshop
Sun	20	
Mon	21	June Solstice
Tue	22	
Wed	23	
Thu	24	
Fri	25	Last day school term 2
Sat	26	
Sun	27	
Mon	28	
Tue	29	
Wed	30	



# July 2021

Plastic Free July				
Thu	1			
Fri	2			
Sat	3			
Sun	4	WSCN Community Rides NAIDOC Week		
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Sat	10	Backyard Habitat for kids workshop		
Sun	11			
Mon	12	School term 3 begins		
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Sat	17	How to make Kim Chi and Kombucha workshop Indigenous Flora Park Bushcare Group		
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Fri	30	School National Tree Day		
Sat	31			



# August 2021

Sun	1	WSCN Community Rides National Tree Day
Mon	2	
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Wed	4	
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Fri	6	
Sat	7	Weed Identification and control workshop
Sun	8	
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Sat	14	Keeping Chickens workshop
Sun	15	
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Sat	21	Eat Better and avoid food waste – cooking with leftovers workshop Indigenous Flora Park Bushcare Group
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Sat	28	Guided Walk – Western Sydney Parklands
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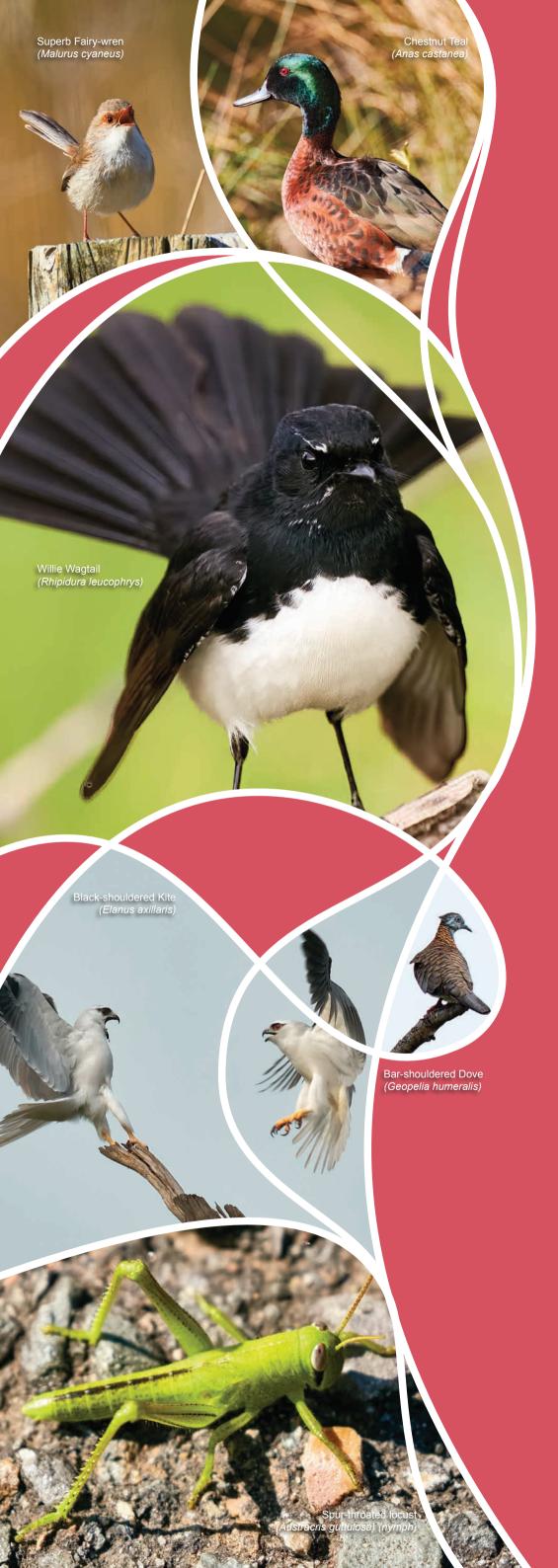
# September 2021

Wed	1	
Thu	2	
Fri	3	
Sat	4	Breakfast with the Birds walk
Sun	5	WSCN Community Rides Father's Day
Mon	6	
Tue	7	National Threatened Species Day
Wed	8	
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Fri	10	Frogs in Fairfield walk
Sat	11	
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Thu	16	
Fri	17	Last day school term 3
Sat	18	Indigenous Flora Park Bushcare Group
Sun	19	Moon Festival
Mon	20	
Tue	21	Enviro Bootcamp
Wed	22	Enviro Bootcamp
Thu	23	Enviro Bootcamp September Equinox
Fri	24	Enviro Bootcamp
Sat	25	
Sun	26	
Mon	27	Enviro Bootcamp
Tue	28	Enviro Bootcamp
Wed	29	Enviro Bootcamp
Thu	30	Enviro Bootcamp



# October 2021

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Fri	1	
Sat	2	
Sun	3	WSCN Community Rides Daylight saving starts
Mon	4	World Animal Day
Tue	5	School term 4 begins
Wed	6	
Thu	7	World Habitat Day
Fri	8	
Sat	9	Micro-plastic in our environment – What can we do? workshop
Sun	10	
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Fri	15	Nocturnal mini-beasts tour
Sat	16	Indigenous Flora Park Bushcare Group World Food Day
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Sat	23	Chemical Free Living – body products workshop
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# November 2021

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Sat	6	Cooking with Australian Native Foods workshop
Sun	7	WSCN Community Rides
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Wed	10	•
Thu	11	Remembrance Day
Fri	12	
Sat	13	Upcycling Fashion Tour
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Fri	19	
Sat	20	Indigenous Flora Park Bushcare Group
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Sat	27	Environmental Volunteers Christmas Party
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## December 2021

Wed	1	
Thu	2	
Fri	3	
Sat	4	Cooking with leftovers –Christmas workshop
Sun	5	WSCN Community Rides International Volunteer Day World Soil Day
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Fri	10	
Sat	11	
Sun	12	
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Thu	16	
Fri	17	Last day school term 4
Sat	18	Indigenous Flora Park Bushcare Group
Sun	19	
Mon	20	
Tue	21	•
Wed	22	Community Nursery Closes for Xmas holidays December Solstice
Thu	23	
Fri	24	Chrsitmas Eve
Sat	25	Christmas Day
Sun	26	Boxing Day
Mon	27	Boxing Day Holiday
Tue	28	
Wed	29	
Thu	30	
Fri	31	New Year's Eve

# COUNCIL WASTE SERVICES



## Below are the items ACCEPTED in Council's Waste Services













## Not sure which bin?

Scan to view an A to Z guide on recycling or call 02 9725 0222.





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