

Date: Wednesday 16th May 2018

This week at preschool...



What's in our Playground?

We have all been excited that the Rainbow Lorikeets have been gathering around our trees and the bird feeder. We encourage them by putting our leftover apple and pear cores (their favourites!) in the bird feeder as well as sunflower seeds. This week we provided the binoculars and the lanyards to identify the types of birds we have in the trees in our playground. Conversations flowed as children matched the birds with those on the lanyards and observed and compared the different types. We supplied reference books and children were encouraged to draw the birds that they saw.

*This is an example of the EYLF Learning Outcome 2; **Children are Connected with and Contribute to their world**, especially, "Children become socially responsible and show respect for the environment."*



SUSTAINABILITY



Following on with our work on Sustainability this week, we read the book 'In the Bin' and started our own 'landfill' to see what happens to rubbish when it goes to the dump. We plan to dig it up each week to observe the changes that occur over this time – especially the differences between the plastics and the paper products.

We also looked at some videos about where rubbish goes when we put it in the bin - in which coloured bin? The rubbish is then sorted and goes to recycling or landfill.

We are reinforcing the concepts of 'reduce, reuse, and recycle' at preschool by providing box construction and reusing art works and paper that can be recycled. We would value your contribution of any recycled materials for our art projects.

*This is an example of the EYLF Learning Outcome 4; **Children are confident and involved Learners**, especially, "Children transfer and adapt what they have learned from one context to another."*

