



BeachPatrol and Love Our Street Schools program

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Our educational program can support your school in achieving its environmental & sustainability education goals.

Activate, connect and engage your students in cleaning up our environment.

We offer an array of educational beach or street clean activities suitable for primary and secondary students, and in-classroom presentations.

Here are the details you need to plan a great learning activity:

Beach Clean or Inland Clean?

For a **beach clean** we walk along a section of beach from the top which may include car parks or nature strips, down to the water's edge to collect what has washed in by the recent tides. Then we walk to meet back at the start point.

In cooler and drier months (when people are not outside as much) there may not be much visible litter on the beaches. Rainstorms purge storm water drains of any rubbish, which can quickly end up on the beach.

For an **inland clean** we meet at a central location and choose a route to clean along. This could be along streets, in a park, creek or other open spaces (including school surrounds). It is more common to find littered items all year round. Depending on the suburb population density, some areas are more littered than others.

Location

We can facilitate clean up events at locations that suit your school and our volunteer leaders. Contact us to discuss a location.

Equipment

We will provide the following equipment for students to use at the event:

- Collection bags
- Limited grabbers
- First aid kit
- Sharps container

Students should dress appropriately for the weather, including jackets, sun hats, sunscreen and gloves (preferably reusable heavy 'gardening' gloves, not single use ones). If students wish to bring water bottles, we ask that reusable bottles are used.





Some of the schools we have worked with:

- Port Melbourne Primary
- Melbourne Grammar
- Sacre Coeur College
- Emerald Secondary College

And many more!



Time

Our activities last approximately **30min - 2 hours**. This includes the actual clean-up activity and then counting & logging the items collected.

Clean & Survey or Just Clean?

We encourage school groups to become citizen scientists by performing a survey of the plastic litter collected.

This has a much higher awareness and educational impact for the participants. We strive to help people understand the consequences of littering and the overuse of single use plastic items.

We will work with you to determine the most appropriate activity – this could include a simple clean up and count of some items, all the way through to a detailed survey.

After the clean-up and counting is completed, litter data is entered into our [LitterStopper](#) app. If mobile phones are permitted, we encourage students to work together in groups to enter the data.

Following the clean a certificate of achievement will be emailed to your school stating your participation and some of the statistics from the clean.

Cost

As a non-profit entity wholly run by volunteers, Beach Patrol Australia Inc depends on donations and grants to keep our organisation running.

We provide school groups with our time, clean up gear, expertise and safety equipment. Importantly we also have liability insurance which will cover the clean-up activities.

Please contact us to discuss logistics and cost considerations.

Learn more

To learn more about how we can support your school program, please contact us on admin@beachpatrol.com.au

[Check out our website](#) to see examples of our school clean up activities.

Thank you!

Growing community litter awareness and keeping our environment clean

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