

RATIONALE

The earth and all life are part of God's creation. We are called to respect this gift. We are responsible for taking care of the world we live in and for sharing all the wonders and resources the earth gives us.

Our changing environment prompts us to stop and think about how we live on our planet. We must re-engage with our environment, take responsibility for it, live sustainably and live so there are enough resources for everyone.

We are committed to ensuring that we are a litter free school and one that will **rethink** the products we purchase, **reduce** the amount of waste we create, **reuse** as much as possible and **recycle** whatever we can. We do this so we can minimise the amount of waste we take to landfill.

Salvado Catholic College is committed to a whole-school approach to environmental education, in which minimisation and litter reduction plays a vital role.

OUR COMMITMENT

It is the policy of Salvado Catholic College that:

- The strategies of **rethink, reduce, reuse, recycle** will be incorporated in its everyday activities
- Waste minimisation and litter reduction will be included in the relevant areas of the College curriculum, and
- Recycled products and others that help reduce waste will be purchased

Salvado Catholic College goals are to:

- Educate the students, staff and College community to develop positive environmental values.
- Provide students with the practiced skills of reducing their ecological footprint on society
- Become an Accredited Waste Wise College and continue to fulfil the Accreditation every year through our strategic planning
- Model responsible environmental behaviours through hands on learning experiences that are linked to the curriculum.
- To conduct a yearly waste audit to assess the successes and evaluate the projects
- Reduce the carbon footprint of every member of the College community
- Expand our College Sustainability Team to include students and parents

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