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SCHOOLS ENCOURAGED TO REGISTER FOR SCHOOLS CLEAN UP DAY 2023

Monday 14 November 2022: Clean Up Australia is listening to the next generation and providing a day for schools to get involved in helping to solve the environmental challenges facing the world. The annual Schools Clean Up Day will be held on Friday 3 March 2023 and registrations are now open.

“Over the past year we have seen Australian school children step up and tell us that they want a better world. Schools Clean Up Day is a great opportunity to work together and take practical action. All schools are encouraged to get involved and help to make a positive difference,” Pip Kiernan, Chair of Clean Up Australia said.

Schools Clean Up Day not only offers teachers and students a hands-on educational and team bonding experience but also gives schools the opportunity to stimulate further discussion around our environment.

“Our environment is facing pressure unlike ever before. As all Australians know, over the past two years, we’ve seen severe bushfires, cyclones and floods, and increased pressures on our biodiversity and an ever-growing volume of waste which leaks into our natural and marine environment. Australians have a heightened focus on the environment but often feel frustrated whether they can make an impact,” Pip continued

“The future of our environment lies in the hands of our next generation, and it would be a wasted opportunity not to involve them in creating solutions. Schools Clean Up Day is a stepping stone for students to play an active role in their community by spurring change, education and encouragement for better practices within their local environments,” Pip continued.

“Past participants have told us that participating in a Clean Up Australia event changes the way we think about our everyday habits and the practical changes each of us can make. They’ve said it’s so rewarding and has a lasting positive impact.” Pip said.

Choosing between cleaning-up their own school campuses or a local community location, the Preschool or Primary School Clean Up provides a great hands-on educational experience as well as building teamwork skills. The Secondary School Clean Up gives students a first-hand understanding of the impact of their litter, an education on sustainability while encouraging active involvement in their community.

Clean Up Australia has teamed with Cool Australia to create resources and curriculum-linked lesson plans to help teachers maximise the success of their School Clean Up. These bespoke lesson plans help to focus students’ attention on waste and sustainability topics by giving them practical things to do as they learn. They are available free of charge for pre, primary and secondary school educators.

To register or donate, please visit cleanup.org.au/schools
Schools Clean Up Day – Friday March 3, 2023
Clean Up Australia Day – Sunday 5 March, 2023

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Imagery is available [here](#)

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About Clean Up Australia

Founded by Ian Kiernan, AO, Clean Up Australia is one of the country's most recognised and trusted environmental organisations, inspiring and empowering communities to clean up, fix up and conserve our environment. Clean Up Australia Day is the nation's largest community-based environmental event and more than 20 million Australians have participated since its inception.

Clean Up Australia now works with community, governments and businesses to provide practical solutions to help all Australians live more sustainably every day of the year. Today the organisation's focus is as much on preventing rubbish entering our environment as it is removing what has already accumulated.

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