



PRESENTATIONS & ACTIVITIES FOR SCHOOLS

We have a varied program of engaging presentations, events and activities for all levels of schooling which can link with community groups, organisations and businesses.

It's important to engage students on an intellectual and emotional level giving them a strong sense of ownership and a "WHY" stimulating long-term behavioural change. Our presentations focus on engaging content, style and delivery allowing holistic understanding and spurring a call to action.

Our activities involve both inquiry based learning and project based learning and link with the following strands and domains on the Australian curriculum:

- * Sustainability
- * Geography
- * Human Behaviour & The Environment
- * Ethical Understanding
- * Critical & Creative Thinking
- * Design & Technologies

EQUIPMENT REQUIRED: Either projector/screen/PA **OR** IWB **OR** Large TV Screen with HDMI input (and microphone if more than 50 students).

**AWARENESS
EDUCATION
ACTION!**



INTRODUCTION TO PLASTIC POLLUTION

DURATION: 90 - 100 minutes (can be adjusted for special needs or schedules)

YEAR LEVELS: years 3 to 12

We educate students about plastic pollution, the scale, causes and its impact on our environment, wildlife and human health. We show students how simple actions both individually and collectively can make them part of the solution. We emphasise the importance of reducing our use of disposable plastic as well as litter control and intelligent waste management. Practical solutions are offered and schools are given access to a range of ongoing projects and initiatives. This session can include a Q & A discussion and a fun trivia quiz.



CITIZEN SCIENCE LITTER ACTIVITY

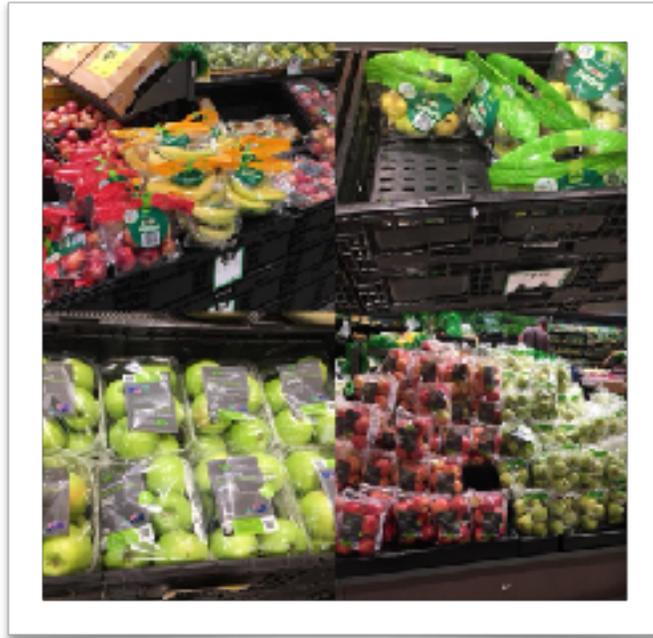
Duration: Approximately 2 hours

This will ideally be preceded by the aforementioned presentation.

A small group of students (max. 20) will conduct a litter sample at a local beach, park or the school grounds & surrounds. Students will then sort and count the collected litter and log it onto the national marine debris database (tangaroablue.org) contributing to national and global research on the issue.

During this session, we will:

- Analyse and discuss the litter and data
- Ascertain problem items
- Discuss ways to reduce problem items
- Discuss ways to reduce litter in general
- Discuss ways to reduce plastic packaging
- Optional: Initiate a PLASTIC PATROL project



OVER-PACKAGING & PLASTIC IN THE SUPPLY CHAIN

Duration: Approximately 1 hour

This presentation follows up on the previous two sessions and draws attention to unnecessary packaging, over-packaging, “invisible” packaging in the supply chain and planned obsolescence. We show students how they can reduce waste and plastic pollution through consumer awareness, daily choices in addition to creative projects and initiatives. This session concludes with a Q & A discussion.



FILM SCREENING + Q & A

Suitable for yr 6 and up - we recommend watching the trailer before choosing the film.

Duration: Up to two and a half hours depending on film length

Your class can host a screening of an award-winning, informative and entertaining Plastic Pollution film. Our selection of films are thought provoking and prompt lively discussion. This can be held either during school hours or in the evening with parents and community members invited along if so desired.

Recommended films include:

- * Blue (<https://bluethemovie.org/>)
- * Albatross (<https://www.albatrossthemovie.com/>)
- * A Plastic Ocean (<https://plasticoceans.org/about-film/>)
- * Bag It (<http://www.bagitmovie.com/>)
- * The Clean Bin Project (<http://www.cleanbinmovie.com/>)
- * Tapped (<http://tappedmovie.com/>)
- * Plastic Paradise (<http://plasticparadisemovie.com/>)



Plastic Pollution Solutions has carried out over 500 events in schools and communities in NSW, ACT, Qld, Victoria and abroad for over 5 years.

"Anthony's presentation for schools is ultra-informative and full of great insights into human behaviour and our effect on the ocean environment. His quest to inform students of the problem with plastic is well researched and supported by excellent photographs and stories about the environment. His interaction with students and great presentation skill really makes learning fun for all."

LeAnn Hanson, (BTeach, M Education)

"Having Anthony come and visit our beachside school to talk to students across K-6 was one of the most engaging and authentic learning activities I've been involved with as a Teacher Librarian. Anthony's relaxed style, highly relevant content, ability to differentiate activities, extensive scientific knowledge, and passion for the ocean all added up to a very successful and memorable experience for our students. I would recommend Plastic Pollution Solutions for any teacher or educator who wants to ignite a love of learning and inquiry in their school."

Lucy Robertson, Teacher - Librarian

"Anthony's presentations were interesting, thought provoking, age-appropriate and relevant to key learning areas of humanities, textiles, art and science...addresses the sustainability education priority of Ausvels...students were fully engaged, asked questions...were prompted by what they learned to undertake action in addition to class work..."

Ross Bramley, Principal

More references and full versions can be found [here on our website](#).

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