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### About landcare

Landcare is a community movement focussed on working together to tackle environmental issues in our cities and towns.

Landcare groups are working in Queensland, from the cape, to the outback, the reef and in our agricultural landscapes.

You can get involved by joining a landcare group; making a donation; or helping spread the word.

Other education resources  
are available at [www.landcare.org.au](http://www.landcare.org.au).

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# Web resources for landcare education



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## Primary Schools: Free Resources for Teachers

<http://www.primaryschool.com.au/> This website links to many organisations that provide free resources to teachers, in a number of subject areas, including Environmental Education. Topics currently covered include Energy and Climate Change, Land Use, Oceans, Water Quality Management, and Wildlife.

## Queensland Department of Natural Resources and Water

<http://www.nrm.qld.gov.au/education/teachers/index.html> Visit the Department website for a current listing of resources available for schools. The list includes topics such as Catchment Management, Water Cycles and Dung Beetles, and each topic is aimed at particular levels and subject areas.

## Environmental Protection Agency and Queensland Parks and Wildlife Services

[http://www.epa.qld.gov.au/nature\\_conservation/cyberangers/](http://www.epa.qld.gov.au/nature_conservation/cyberangers/) Go to this address to access Cyber Rangers, an interactive website for school students. From this page, students can also explore the information provided on the site, which includes an A-Z wildlife listing.

## Australian Department of Environment and Heritage

<http://www.deh.gov.au/biodiversity/threatened/ts-day/index.html> The Australian Department of Environment and Heritage produces a Teacher's Resource Kit every year aimed at 6 – 12 year olds, focused on Australia's threatened species.

## CSIRO

<http://www.csiro.au/csiro/channel/ichr.html> CSIRO school programs support primary and secondary science education. Students can visit CSIRO Science Education Centres or join the Double Helix Club to get more involved in science.

## Queensland Murray Darling Committee

[www.qmdc.org.au](http://www.qmdc.org.au) A package called "Learning Through Landcare" is suitable for all year levels and supports Science, SOSE, Geography and Agricultural Studies.

## Weeds CRC

<http://www.weedwarriors.net.au/> The Weeds CRC encourages the involvement of children in tackling weeds in Australia. The website is student-friendly and focuses on hands-on learning about invasive pest plants. Schools can also join up as "Weed Warriors".

## ABC TV

<http://www.abc.net.au/learn/learnabout/default.htm> This link will take you to the Education Resources site of ABC television. As well as offering many programs suitable for in-class learning, the ABC provides information on topics such as Australia's Fossil History and Salinity.

## Queensland Resources Council

[http://www.qrc.org.au/schools/01\\_cms/details.asp?ID=16](http://www.qrc.org.au/schools/01_cms/details.asp?ID=16) The Queensland Resources Council provides a suite of resources for students, including information on mining and minerals. The Envirosmart Program also includes activities through which students can develop a school-based Environmental Management Plan.

## Victorian Department of Primary Industries

<http://www.dpi.vic.gov.au/dpi/nrensr.nsf/childdocs/-af299d9126ead105ca256c6f0017d2c3?open> Other state agencies provide environmental education resources which can be used in Queensland. For example, the Victorian Department of Primary Industries Website provides a useful list of links for primary schools, secondary schools and teachers' resources.

## Waterwatch

<http://www.qld.waterwatch.org.au/resources/index.html> The Waterwatch Queensland website is aimed at school children and provides interesting ideas for water care activities. Waterwatch Queensland has also developed a program called River Journeys for upper primary and lower secondary students.

## Australian Government Department of Environment and Heritage – Sustainable Schools

<http://www.deh.gov.au/education/> There is an emerging focus on sustainability in schools and teachers can find information about what sustainability means, and the networks that exist, at this website. The website also includes information on international sustainability.

## United Nations Environment Programme

<http://www.unep.org/wed/2006/english/> The United Nations World Environment Day 2006 theme was "Deserts and Desertification". Download the "Deserts and Desertification" flash web animation off this site – it is a short film highly suitable for older school students which contains valuable information about deserts and the lives of desert dwellers.

## Landcare Australia Limited

<http://www.landcareonline.com/page.asp?pID=72> Visit the Landcare Australia website to read about practical ways that schools are involved in Landcare activities. The site also includes information about Junior Landcare Grants and links to state based resources.

## Australian Conservation Foundation

[http://www.acfonline.org.au/default.asp?section\\_id=4](http://www.acfonline.org.au/default.asp?section_id=4) Older students will benefit from a visit to the Australian Conservation Foundation's website. The Publications section contains current information on some of the most controversial environmental issues facing Australia today.

