

Ecolinc celebrates Education Week!

Ecolinc celebrates Education Week this week with students from Bacchus Marsh College, Toolern Vale PS, Hartwell PS, Melton Christian College and Little River PS. Students will be immersed in a range of activities investigating aspects of 'Climate Change and the Environment'.



Ecolinc frequently receives requests for programs relating to 'sustainability'. As Ecolinc readily responds to such requests by developing activities to suit individual school needs and to complement existing programs, teachers are encouraged to discuss any specific theme requests with Ecolinc staff.

Congratulations to Mandama PS, winner of the **mecu** Ecolinc scholarship for Term 2 2007. A specially tailored program relating to 'sustainability' will be conducted.

Ecolinc recently hosted a very successful statewide Waterwatch Coordinators' Training Workshop (pictured). Ecolinc staff participated in on-line training relating to the identification of aquatic macro-invertebrates. New techniques will be incorporated into new and existing student and teacher PD programs.

Ecolinc was again recognized as a water saving finalist in the recent 2006/2007 savewater awards.



Ecolinc's award winning energy and water saving facilities, indigenous wetland and environmental programs will be on display to the public as part of World Environment Day on **Sunday 3 June 2007** between 10.00am and 4.30pm. A range of environmental presentations are planned.

Ecolinc recently hosted an informative VCAA/CEA VCE Chemistry workshop exploring the new 2008 Unit 3/4 Chemistry course. To further assist VCE teachers, Ecolinc will again conduct a VCE Science Professional Development Day on **Friday 7 December 2007** to cater for VCE Biology, Chemistry, Environmental Science and Physics.

All VCE Science study designs will be reviewed with hands on Ecolinc SAC tasks available for teachers to sample. Total cost including morning/afternoon tea and lunch is \$55 per teacher.

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SEMESTER 2 PROGRAMS CURRENTLY AVAILABLE

Ecolinc offers a range of VCE SAC programs. Some vacancies currently exist for the following VCE programs;

VCE Biology

Unit 2: Organisms and their environment

AoS 1 Adaptations of organisms

AoS 2 Dynamic ecosystems

Unit 4: Continuity and change

AoS 1—Heredity

VCE Chemistry

Unit 2: Environmental chemistry

AoS 1 Water

AoS 2 The atmosphere

VCE Environmental Science

Unit 2: Monitoring the environment

AoS 1 Environmental indicators

Unit 4: Ecological sustainability

AoS 1 Pollution and health

All VCE SAC programs can be completed at Ecolinc as complete SAC tasks. Assessment sheets designed to complement Ecolinc worksheets will be provided to teachers.

P-10 Programs

Half day and whole day P-10 programs are available in Semester 2. Contact Ecolinc for full details or consult our 'programs brochure'

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Thank you to the Department of Education for sponsoring Education Week activities at Ecolinc and to

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