

# Community Waste Education & Workshops



North East Waste offer free, community waste education sessions and workshops on behalf of our member Council's - Byron Shire, Ballina Shire, Clarence Valley, Kyogle, Lismore City, Richmond Valley and Tweed Shire Council. Workshops are delivered at local community centres/spaces, libraries or at community events/markets, by our experienced Wipe Out Waste education team.

To book a workshop or find out more information, please contact us at [waste.ed@newaste.org.au](mailto:waste.ed@newaste.org.au).

## Beeswax wrapper making

Looking to reduce plastic packaging in your workplace or home life? Beeswax wrappers are a natural plastic-free alternative that also keep your food fresher for longer. Our Wipe Out Waste education team offer free community workshops to guide participants in making their own beeswax wrap, how to use it and how to care for it.

We will supply a free DIY beeswax making kit to each participant who has registered and attends the workshop.

**Age group:** Workshops tailored to all ages. Children under the age of 8 must be accompanied by a participating adult.

**Group size:** Minimum 10 / Maximum of 40

**Duration:** 1hr

**Requirements:** Indoor area with bench space & powerpoint, tables and chairs for participants to decorate wrappers. NEWaste provides all materials needed.

## Compost workshops

Join our North East Waste compost expert for a fun-filled practical morning learning all things compost. Using food waste wisely rather than sending it to landfill can create the best fertiliser and soil nourishment for your home or community garden. Learn how to get the most from your compost efforts, what can be composted, how to make your own compost containers, troubleshooting and how to use compost in the garden.

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**Group size:** Minimum 10 / Maximum of 40

**Duration:** 1hr

**Requirements:** seating for participants

## Worm farming workshops

Explore the wonderful world of worms and how to get the most from your worm farm. We can cater workshops to group needs covering topics such as how to set up and use a worm farm, what can and can't go in, how much to feed your worms, troubleshooting and how to use the valuable worm tea and castings in your garden.

Worm farm workshop can be combined with compost workshop. Add 30mins to compost workshop timing (overall compost/worm farm workshop 1.5hrs).

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## Talking Rubbish Session

Need a refresher on what's accepted in your recycling or green waste bin or simply want to find out more on how to reduce your waste footprint? Join our waste expert for an informative session about the 3-bin system.

Together we will uncover the answer to these frequently asked questions:

- What goes into which bin and why?
- What can't be recycled in our kerbside bins?
- Where can I take alternative recycling not accepted in my kerbside bin?
- What's accepted in my green lid bin and where does it go?

**Duration:** 30 - 45 minutes

**Requirements:** Table or bench space to set up display. Chairs for participants.

## Wipe Out Waste Education Marquee - Events

A visit from the mobile Wipe Out Waste education marquee and staff can be booked for events and festivals across our Northern NSW Council areas. Our knowledgeable education staff and entertaining performers will be on hand to answer questions, support your waste-wise event and inspire the community with simple tips on reducing, reusing, composting and recycling. Event goers will be entertained whilst learning how to actively reduce their waste and protect the environment. Games and sustainable prize give-aways are available.

**Requirements:** Flat space to fit 6m x 3m (double marquee). 3m x3m single marquee or table only can also be set up indoors or outdoors.

All programs & materials provided free to the Northern Rivers community, funded through your local council, North East Waste and NSW Government grants.