



Issue 6

## What's on

### World Environment Day – 5 June



Our focus this week is reading books about our environment and how we can make it better as we celebrate the annual World Environment Day on June 5. So, join us in becoming an eco-warrior and read about how we can do our part in saving the environment.

We'd love to share your story on the website and social media so take a photo of you reading and email it through with a short review to [cmrc.doe@education.nt.gov.au](mailto:cmrc.doe@education.nt.gov.au).

### CMRC book tally

Thank you to all our young readers for your continued enthusiasm in participating in the 2024 Chief Minister's Reading Challenge!



To help us keep track of the number of books read, on Friday mornings scan the QR code to enter the number of books read each week.

## Hanging Bottle Garden Craft

If you are looking for a fun and creative way to celebrate World Environment Day, then we have got you covered. Create a hanging garden by reusing a plastic bottle and watch the seedlings grow.



What you need: Pencil, craft knife, length of string, seedlings, soil and a thoroughly washed plastic bottle.

### Steps:

First, grab the plastic bottle and the craft knife to slice a long line from 1 to 2 inches from the mouth of the bottle down toward the bottom. Cut out a rectangle. (A teacher or parent should do this.) Poke a hole at each end of the bottle. Push yarn through each hole with a pencil. Tie a few knots. Fill the bottle with soil and plant seeds.

You can also celebrate World Environment Day with any other environment friendly activity of your choice.

## Books of the Week

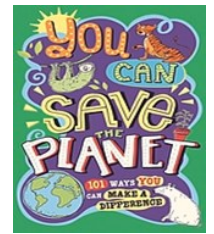
Here are a couple of environment-themed books you may like to read for this week's theme.

You can find these books and more at your local library.



For our younger readers, aged 4 and above we have 'Old Enough to Save the Planet' written by Loll Kirby and illustrated by Adelina Lirius. Be inspired by 12 real-life children taking action against climate change in this non-fiction picture book. Read their stories, and discover how they became campaigners for the future of our planet and found ways to save our environment.

'You Can Save The Planet: 101 Ways You Can Make a Difference' by Clive Gifford, Jacque Wines and Sarah Horne is for readers aged 9 to 11. This book is a call to action for children everywhere. It introduces and explains the massive global problems and is packed with 101 practical and fun ways kids can make our world more environmentally friendly.



Details of what you have done or a book review of your reading during the Chief Minister's Reading Challenge can be sent through to [cmrc.doe@education.nt.gov.au](mailto:cmrc.doe@education.nt.gov.au)

## Reading Star Book Review



Hassaan, a year 3 student at Nakara Primary School read 'Bower Birds' by Aura Parker which was the chosen book for the National Simultaneous Storytime 2024. He found it interesting and it grabbed his attention. Well done Hassaan!



## Calendar of Events

World Environment Day	5 June
World Oceans Day	8 June
International Bath Day	14 June