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Term 4 2026

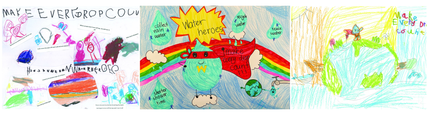
## Bringing learning to life: Our year in review

**As another school year comes to a close, we're taking a moment to reflect on the many meaningful connections we've made with students, educators, families, and communities across our region.**

**This year, we've been proud to partner with more than 60 early learning centres, kindergartens, and schools, delivering a wide range of educational programs, incursions and community engagement activities.**

**Together, we've explored the value of water, sustainability and environmental stewardship through hands-on, interactive learning experiences designed to inspire curiosity and encourage positive action.**

**Thank you for welcoming us into your learning communities. We look forward to creating even more opportunities to learn, connect and make a difference together in 2027**



## Congratulations to our winners

We were thrilled to receive a record number of entries from across the region for the 2026 National Water Week Poster Competition.

Through colourful artwork, creative ideas and thoughtful messages, students embraced this year's theme, Water Heroes – Make Every Drop Count, demonstrating a fantastic understanding of the important role we all play in protecting and conserving water.

**And the winners are**

| Category | Student/Groups | Schools |
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| ELC/Kindergarten (Collaborative) | Aspire ELC & Kindergarten | Aspire ELC & Kindergarten, White Hill |
| ELC/Kindergarten (Individual | Norah | Bug A Lugs, Kyneton |
| Prep | Milly | Our Lady of the Rosary Primary School, Kyneton |
| Grade 1 & 2 | Harper | Cohuna Consolidated School |
| Grade 3 & 4 | Remi | Cohuna Consolidated School |
| Grade 5 & 6 | Inez | Our Lady of the Rosary Primary School, Kyneton |

Each winning poster captured what it means to be a **Water Hero**, highlighting the small actions we can all take to use water wisely and making every drop count.

A big congratulations to our winners, and thank you to every student, teacher and school who participated and helped make this year's competition such a success.

**Congratulations Gunbower Primary School**

Congratulations to the Gunbower Primary School Community, you've won the $250 Educational Gift Pack for your outstanding participation and support of this year's National Water Week Poster Competition.

View the winning entries



## Free education sessions for your classroom

Did you know our education sessions can be tailored to support what your students are learning in the classroom?

Whether you're exploring the water cycle, weather and climate, water conservation, catchments, recycled water or water treatment, we can customise our sessions to align with your curriculum and learning goals.

Simply let us know your focus area when booking, and we'll work with you to create a relevant, engaging experience that brings learning to life through real-world water and environmental education.

Tell us what you're teaching, and we'll help make the learning flow.

Book a session



## Bookings for 2027 are now open

Planning ahead for 2027? Book your Water Heroes incursion now.

Designed for children aged 4 to 5 years, our Water Heroes program helps young learners understand the importance of drinking water and using it wisely.

Through fun, hands-on activities, children discover simple ways to save water at kindergarten and at home. The sessions support early learning outcomes while encouraging healthy habits and positive environmental behaviours that can be practised every day.

Book a session



## Fascinating fatbergs!

Did you know the world's largest recorded fatberg was found in a London sewer in 2017?

This rock-like mass of waste formed when fat, oil and grease combined with non-biodegradable items such as wet wipes. It weighed a staggering 130 tonnes and stretched 250 metres long.

Fatbergs can block sewer pipes, cause overflows, and lead to costly repairs.

**Remember: only flush the 3Ps - pee, poo and (toilet) paper.**

Help keep our sewer network flowing by putting wipes, tissues, fats, oils, and grease in the bin, not down the toilet or sink.

Learn more about the 3Ps

## Your feedback will help shape our prices.

We're planning for the future and we'd like your input.

As part of developing our **2028-2033 Price Submission**, we're inviting customers and community members to complete a short online survey and share what's important to them.

Your feedback will help us understand community priorities and expectations as we plan the services, infrastructure and investment needed to support our region in the years ahead.

The decisions made through this process will influence the services you rely on every day, the projects we invest in, and the prices customers pay.

Take a few minutes to have your say and help shape the future of water services in our region.

Take the survey




## See you there

Why not drop by and say hello, learn more about our services, and chat with our team during Term 4? You'll find us at:

- Emergency Services Expo, Echuca
- Inglewood Alive
- Kyneton Agricultural Show
- International Day of People with Disability event, Echuca

Find out where we'll be

## There is a lot to learn about water and how it gets to your tap

Visit our Education Hub and discover educational resources and opportunities for students, teachers, and your broader community. Head to connect.coliban.com.au/education-hub

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