



GREEN IMPACT INSIGHTS

May 2024



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➤➤➤ SUCCESSFUL GI GATHERING

Well done to everyone for your participation in our first ever Green Impact Gathering, held on the 23rd April! We had 43 participants join us to discuss all things Green Impact and had a few giggles along the way! If you missed the session, you can watch the replay, which is saved into our 2024 GI Gathering private group on Teams. Please let myself or Isabelle know if you don't have access to the group yet. **Our next Gathering will be held on Monday 20th May at 12pm.** Remember that these gatherings are for you and so please let us know what you would like included in the next session.

Got a question you want answered at our next gathering? [Submit it here!](#)

Congratulations to those teams who have achieved the following award levels:

WTB - Student Eco-nnect GC, Green Library, Renew-rebels, Clinically Green, DVCE Gweelas, Sustainable Medicine Society, OGC Green Impact Squad, Forest Faeries, Doff & Grow, Guiding Lights, GBS Research Greenies, Eco-TPH, GGRS, Green Gatekeepers, Individual MK, AEL Engagement

BRONZE - Ferning Futures



TEAM INTROS

FERNING FUTURES

MEET THE TEAM:

Kelly, Venessa, Rae, Rob, Zerinah and Karine make up the brand new Ferning Futures team. Based in the Learning Futures department across both Nathan and Logan campuses, they consider themselves to be “education aficionados and fervent about sustainability.”

WHY GREEN IMPACT?

Excitingly, Karine had previously participated in Green Impact at another institution (yey - welcome to Griffith) so she was keen to get a new team started. The team grew easily with a number of people from the Learning Futures team wanting to both get to know the wider team a little better and wanting to share ideas on how their own families can make more sustainable choices and be good role models!

PLANNING 2024:

The team established a ‘game-plan’ within their first official meeting, which was based on being multifaceted. Their data specialist has created a team spreadsheet for individual and group actions, as well as those that are time sensitive! All to keep the team on track throughout the year (and maintain their status on the leaderboard). The team have a shared group chat to brainstorm and track actions, starting with those that were easily completed at an individual level! This is definitely going to be a team to watch out for in 2024!

“Above all, we prioritised having fun together and building camaraderie with the goal of fostering a vibrant team culture which will ultimately, no doubt, propel us to the top of the leaderboard!”

2024

The Ferning Futures team are already showing their competitive nature by sitting on top of the leaderboard; our first team to reach Bronze!

GOALS

To achieve as many actions as possible, while growing personal awareness & promoting sustainability across the unit.



2024 MENTORING

MEET RUTH - OUR 2024 GI MENTOR...

If you were on our Gathering in April, or if you've participated in Green Impact over previous years, you will have met the wonderful Ruth. After continued amazing work supporting the Boronia and Tallowood team, she has kindly agreed to be our 2024 Green Impact Mentor! Welcome aboard Ruth!



➤➤ RUTH'S TOP 5 TIPS FOR G.I. SUCCESS:

1. Schedule time on your diary daily (10mins is enough to make a difference)!
2. Print out and refer to the 17 Sustainable goals wherever it is possible at work and at home.
3. Participate in conversations about sustainability wherever possible.
4. Organise a calendar of events after going through the toolkit.
5. Have fun and embed at home (but be warned...you may drive your partner crazy during this process 😊)

➤➤ HOW TO ACCESS SUPPORT FROM RUTH:

To begin with, Ruth is looking to support:

- new teams or individuals
- team leaders who need help engaging their team

To get support from Ruth (even to pick her amazing GI brain), you can contact her directly - r.simpkins@griffith.edu.au

RECONCILIATION WEEK:

There is so much happening and so many opportunities to be involved. Here is a list of what's happening:

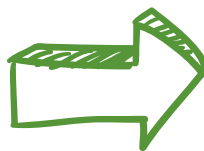
- Bush Tucker Walk & Talk (Logan - 29/5 - 9:50am). Meet at L03 entrance. Action S001
- Jabreen Walk & Talk (GC - 27/5 - 12pm). Meet at G10 main library doors. Action B028
- Embedding Practical Actions for Reconciliation Workshops (held across multiple locations). [Register here.](#)
- Book Club & Discussion (GC - 28/5 - 12pm), (Logan - 29/5 - 11:30am), (Nathan - 20/5 - 12pm), (SB - 31/5 - 12pm). [More info here.](#)
- Lunchtime Concert at the Conservatorium - 28/5 - 12pm. Free event. [More info here.](#)

AS RECONCILIATION IS A SHARED PROCESS, WHY NOT ORGANISE YOUR OWN MEANINGFUL EVENT WITHIN YOUR OWN CONTEXTS AND ALIGN TO THIS YEAR'S THEME—NOW MORE THAN EVER. IF YOU'VE GOT AN EVENT TO SHARE, TELL US IN THE 2024 GI GATHERINGS TEAMS CHAT!

UPCOMING EVENTS:

EVENT	DETAILS	RELATED ACTION/S
Griffith Pride Week & LGBTQIA+ Discrimination Day	13th - 17th May 17th May	S015, S016, G006
ACTS Speed Meet	Thurs 16th May (12pm). Register here .	G018
Green Impact Gathering	Mon 20th May (12pm)	B005
ACTS Carbon Literacy Training	Tues 21st May & Tues 28th May	This could be a wildcard action!
Australia's Biggest Morning Tea	Sat 25th May	S037
Logan Fun Run	Sun 26th May	G015
National Reconciliation Week	27 May - 3 June (see previous page for events held at Griffith). More details here .	B022, B023, B028 S001, S018, S021, S036, G011
Logan Eco Action Festival (LEAF)	Sunday 2 June (9am - 3pm)	B041, S006, G002
World Environment Day	Wed 5th June	Wild Card
World Day Against Child Labour	Wed 12th June	S029

Check out how Kysira from the Green Library team organises her upcoming events so that she never misses an opportunity!



NEW! We are now on Instagram! Be sure to follow us!



[griffithsustainability](https://www.instagram.com/griffithsustainability)

- May
- LGBTQ+ Awareness online training May 8 Register [HERE](#).
- ACTS #actsofconnection event [Member Roundtable: Green Lab](#)
- Griffith Pride Week 13th-17th May
- IDAHOBIT Day 17th May
- Green Impact meeting Monday, 20th May - 12:00pm; Register [HERE](#)
- Biggest Morning Tea May 23rd
- National Sorry Day 26th May
- National Reconciliation Week 27th May - 3rd June
- Anniversary of the 1967 Referendum 27th May
- **Now More Than Ever: Understanding and Embedding Practical Action** [workshop](#) May 27th-31st across campuses
- Logan Campus Yarning Circle Tour 29th May 10am

