

Caversham Primary School Waterwise Policy 2016-2017

Declaration of Commitment:

At Caversham Primary School our school works together to educate, encourage and improve water usage in day-to-day operations and throughout our community in order to preserve water for future generations.

Goals:

- Promote an environmentally conscious school
- To become a positive role-model within the community
- Educate the whole school community (staff, gardeners, cleaners, students and parents/caregivers) that water is a precious natural resource and to use water wisely
- Reduce the water consumption within the school
- Encourage a 'water-wise turn off' policy

Implementation:

Our school will

- Use water as efficiently as possible
- Encourage community participation in our environmental projects
- Be a role model for waterwise and sustainability practices
- Assign students to monitor water usage and report wastage
- Plant trees and vegetation that require minimal watering
- Deliver curriculum incorporating elements of waterwise at all year levels
- Participate in whole school water related activities during National Water Week
- Provide the necessary support to implement these strategies on an ongoing basis

Teachers will

- Ensure that waterwise is incorporated into teaching
- Encourage children to become environmentally aware and involved in waterwise activities
- Model appropriate sustainable practices to the children at school

Parents will

- Support the objectives and strategies outlined in this policy
- Encourage children to become environmentally aware and involved in waterwise activities
- Model appropriate waterwise practices to the children at home

Students will

- Become actively involved in, or support the activities of the School Green Team
- Assist with water conservation through habitual practices
- Support and encourage their parents to adopt similar waterwise practices at home

Evaluation:

- The Waterwise Coordinator/principal will review this policy each December
- Staff and community feedback will be sought when reviewing the policy