

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have successfully completed 'Our Native Space'; our 2021 Woolworths Junior Landcare Grant. We have been able to create a quiet, fully accessible space with seating and native plants that students can enjoy, both as a learning and a sit-down space. We utilised our bee bonus to select a wide range of native flowering shrubs that have been planted along the G-block wall in large troughs, to attract both native and pollinator bees and native birds. With all the building works currently happening in our school, it is lovely to have been able to create a native habitat.

'Our Native Space' will also be used as an educational space to support units of work focusing on the importance of providing native habitats in urban areas for our native birds and bees, the role pollinating plants play in our eco system, understanding the needs of plants to grow, just to name a few.

Wilton Public School is one of 1,609 primary schools and early learning centres throughout Australia that received a Woolworths Junior Landcare grant in 2021 to help grow our next generation of environmental champions. I'd like to thank and acknowledge the following contributors to 'Our Native Space', as it would not have been made possible without them:

- Woolworths and Landcare for their financial contribution
- Thirlmere Nursery for their knowledge and assistance to select and supply the plants, soil and pots needed to stay within our budget
- Mrs Gray for assisting in the purchase of the table and chairs and the planter troughs to support our bee bonus component.

Please take the time to have a look when you next walk past the G-block area of our school.

Kind regards,

Christine Flew





