# Green Events Guide

Allambie Heights Public School

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### For reference for all school and P&C events

- » All school events, and any events connected to the school, are required to consider this Green Events Guide and take all steps they practically can.
- » This includes all school fundraisers held on and off-site, fairs, end of year celebrations, working bees etc.
- » For each major event, an AHPS Sustainability & Environment committee representative will offer tips to help you follow this guide. Let us know what's coming up so we can assist.
- » We want to hear how you made your event greener! Post-event, let us know what worked best and what the key challenges were. Send us your checklist at the conclusion of your event.
- **Get in touch**: ahpssustainability@gmail.com



	Eco Ninja – level 1 Low waste event	Eco Warrior — level 2 Zero waste event	Checklist Tick if completed
Invitations/ promotional materials	Digital promotions and invitations	Digital promotions and invitations	
Water/ drinks	<ul> <li>Attendees encouraged to BYO water bottle.</li> <li>Water dispenser on site (bubbler etc).</li> <li>Attendees encouraged to BYO coffee cup.</li> </ul>	<ul><li>No bottled water available.</li><li>Water dispenser on site.</li><li>BYO reusable coffee cups only.</li></ul>	
Food	<ul> <li>Do not over order.</li> <li>Have a food waste plan.</li> <li>Consider sourcing local food.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Do not over order.</li> <li>Have a food waste plan.</li> <li>Source local food .</li> <li>Source healthier options.</li> </ul>	
Cups/ plates/ cutlery	<ul> <li>Finger food encouraged to reduce need for cutlery/ plates.</li> <li>Any plates/ cutlery/ cups to be compostable (no plastics).</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Finger food encouraged to reduce need for cutlery/ plates.</li> <li>Any plates/ cutlery/ cups to be compostable (no plastics)</li> </ul>	
Recycling	Consider well-sign posted recycling collection points (aluminium, paper, plastics).	<ul> <li>Ensure well-sign posted recycling collection points.</li> <li>Assign an event volunteer the task of ensuring attendees place waste in the correct bin.</li> </ul>	

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Decorations	<ul> <li>Consider alternatives to balloons.</li> <li>Minimal single use decorations.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>No balloons.</li> <li>No single use decorations or items such as single use plastic tablecloths.</li> </ul>	
Products for sale at your event	<ul> <li>Efforts made to source items that aren't single use.</li> <li>Consider eco-friendly, locally made, more natural products.</li> </ul>	Only eco-friendly products for sale.	
Travel to event	<ul> <li>Attendees encouraged to consider eco-friendly transport method to event: walking, bikes, scooter etc.</li> <li>Bike/ scooter parking area provided.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Attendees encouraged to consider an eco- friendly transport method: walking, bikes, scooter etc.</li> <li>Bike/ scooter parking area provided.</li> </ul>	
Evaluation post-event	Submit your Green Events Guide checklist to the Sustainability & Environment Subcommittee: ahpssustainability@gmail.com	<ul> <li>Submit your Green Events Guide checklist to the Sustainability &amp; Environment Subcommittee:         <u>ahpssustainability@gmail.com</u> </li> <li>Include feedback on what worked best at your event - and the challenges.</li> </ul>	

### Eco-friendly tips for your event

### Simple ideas to help you achieve your Eco Ninja or Eco Warrior green event status

# Creating eco-friendly decorations:

- » Consider: Fabric bunting, carboard signs, and upcycled craft as decorations.
- » As part of your event planning get students involved in creating the decorations.



# Sourcing eco-friendly cutlery, plates, cups:

- » There are some cost-effective and excellent options easily available.
- » Consider: Bamboo and paper options or investing in a set of reusable plates.

## Setting up a recycling station:

» Consider: A volunteer role for a recycling station supervisor. They can ensure items go in the correct bins and help spread the word about recycling.

# Making your stalls more eco friendly:

- » Consider: A reusable cup stall at your event where shoppers receive discounted coffee.
- » Showcase local, handmade produce. Support small scale.

# Utilising eco-friendly services at your event:

» Check the green credentials of any third party provider or business before hiring them for your event, eg: do they use a lot of plastic packaging?





