



## Post Visit Activities

Below are some suggestions for possible lessons following your excursion to Currumbin Wildlife Sanctuary. Many of these will suit a range of ages and abilities or can be modified to cater for your students' needs.

- If you haven't done so already, conduct a wildlife census of your local area as described in the pre-visit activities then see below.

If you did conduct a census, re-investigate your findings and complete the following:

As a result of the knowledge gained from your visit to Currumbin Wildlife Sanctuary and your previous learning about our environment, try some of these activities to assist the wildlife in your area.

- Plant a native garden in a quiet, protected area. Monitor over time then re-conduct your census. Has the amount of wildlife increased, decreased or stayed the same?
- Provide nest boxes around your school in quiet, protected areas. Observe them over time and across the seasons. Who is living in your nest box? Have they any young? Describe their behaviour.
- Organise a clean-up day with your class, year level or whole school. Clean up your school and even your local community. Don't forget to wear gloves and be very careful when you pick up the rubbish. The environment will thank you!
- Start a diary and/or set yourself goals to change become a more environment-friendly school. Look 'through' the information you've been given on your own, with friends, your class or your family. Choose one thing you're going to do to start with. Keep track of your goal. When that becomes easy, try one more!



- What was your favourite animal you saw at Currumbin Wildlife Sanctuary?

Try some of the following:

Write a report about your animal. Complete a project about your animal.

Write a poem describing the animal or your feelings about the animal.

Write about why it is your favourite.

Write a diary for that animal

Write a story about that animal

Draw a picture of that animal in its natural habitat.

Sketch that animal

Paint a picture of it

Make a model of your favourite animal.



- Organise a fund-raising project and donate the money to a wildlife organisation who work to protect native species. Currumbin Wildlife Sanctuary's Green Guardian Program, Land for Wildlife, Australian Koala Foundation, Save the Bilby Fund, RSPCA, WWF (World Wildlife Fund) are just a few.- There might even be research programs in your area you might choose to support.
- Write letters to your local newspapers and magazines. Tell them how you feel about the environment and native flora and fauna. Teach other people about why we must protect our environment.
- Write to your local council and state and federal governments explaining your point-of view about environmental issues and encourage them to use their position to support our native flora and fauna and look after the environment.

## TEACHERS

Here are some useful websites that will help you with any work you are looking to do with this topic:

Currumbin Wildlife Sanctuary - [www.cws.org.au](http://www.cws.org.au)

Flora for Fauna - [www.floraforfauna.com.au/schools](http://www.floraforfauna.com.au/schools)

The Wild Ones, the children's education program of Wildlife Trust - [www.thewildones.org](http://www.thewildones.org)

Australian Koala Foundation - [www.savethekoala.com](http://www.savethekoala.com)

World Wildlife Fund - [www.wwf.org.au](http://www.wwf.org.au)

Queensland Museum - [www.qm.qld.gov.au](http://www.qm.qld.gov.au)

Australian Museum - [www.amonline.net.au](http://www.amonline.net.au)

Landcare Australia - [www.landcare.gov.au](http://www.landcare.gov.au)