



CASE STUDY



Belconnen Early Childhood Centre



WASTE ASSESSMENT

REDUCED
waste to landfill
by **50%**

Belconnen Early Childhood Centre provides affordable childcare options. It offers both full and part-time care for children from birth to school age. It's an environmentally conscious childcare centre.

An assessor from the Actsmart Business team visited Belconnen Early Childhood Centre to conduct a site visit. The centre was already an active recycler but wondered if it could do more.

Actsmart provided a best practice guide, including an easy 10 step process to streamline waste management practices and minimise waste to landfill. The assessor identified ways the centre could become even more environmentally conscious by reducing its carbon footprint and saving money along the way.

Actsmart held education sessions with the centre on how to improve their recycling and reduce their waste to landfill. Staff were surprised to learn how much more they could do to improve their efforts. Actsmart provided free signs and continues to provide support and advice to Belconnen Early Childhood Centre.

Belconnen Early Childhood Centre became more aware of proper recycling, with even the children putting waste in the correct bins. The children now also repurpose products, including making planes and other toys out of paper.

"I'd highly recommend the Actsmart Business Recycling program to any business. The team was a super big help to us, even though we thought we were already doing well with sustainability. Some of the major benefits are that our children—the future generation—now understand more about recycling and so do their families."

Lauren Kapper, Director, Belconnen Early Childhood Centre



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RESULTS

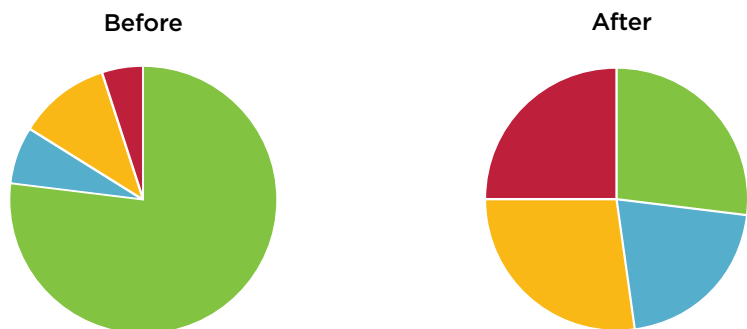
Key achievements included:

- reducing landfill by 50%—six tonnes of waste diverted
- increasing recycling by an additional 16%
- increasing organic waste by 20%
- implementing a worm farm to recycle food scraps.

DIVERTED

6 tonnes
from waste to landfill

RECYCLING RESULTS



■ Landfill 77%
■ Paper 7%
■ Recycle 11%
■ Organic 5%

■ Landfill 27%
■ Paper 21%
■ Recycle 27%
■ Organic 25%



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