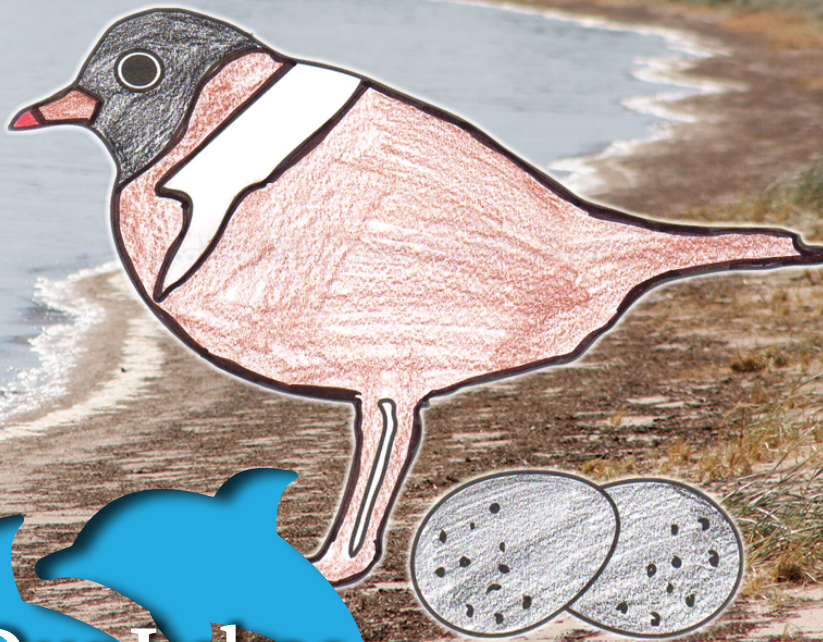


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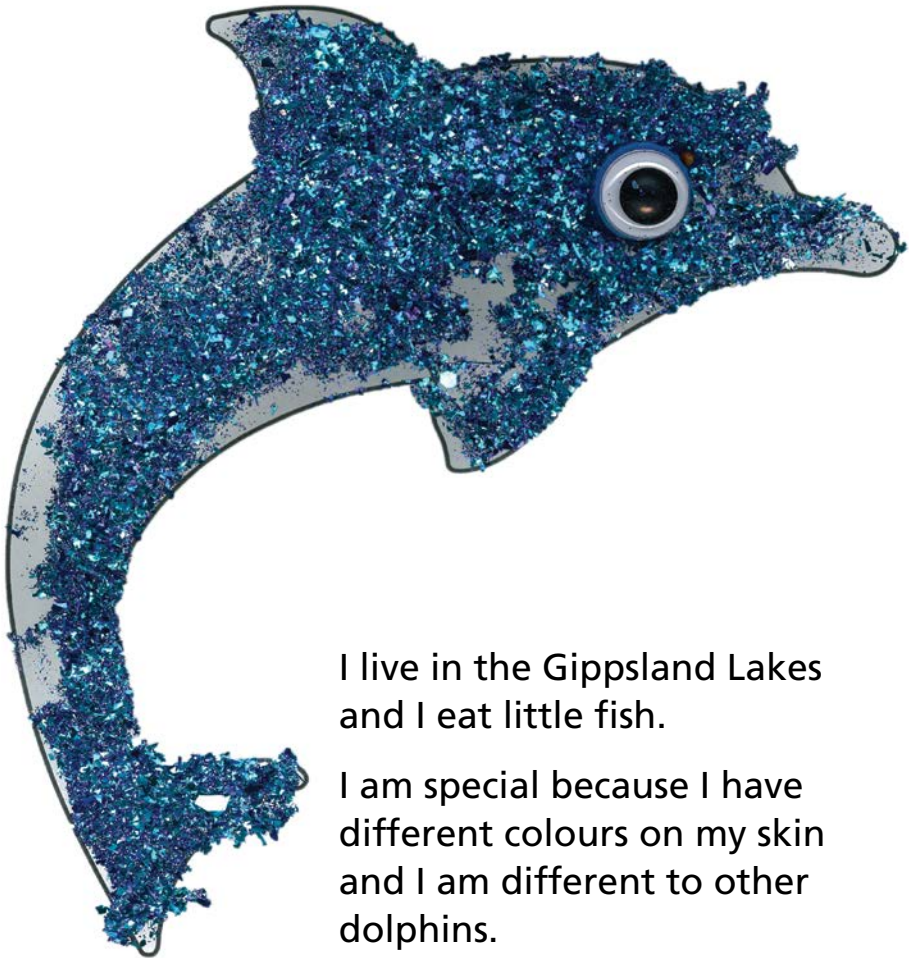
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# Burrunan Dolphin



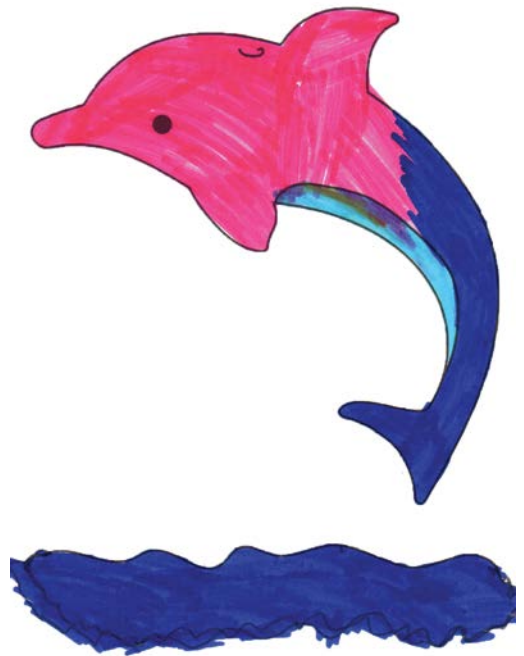
I live in the Gippsland Lakes  
and I eat little fish.

I am special because I have  
different colours on my skin  
and I am different to other  
dolphins.

I am classed as threatened  
because there is not many of  
my species left.



The Burrunan  
Dolphin can be hurt  
from jet skis, fishing  
line, boats and  
garbage.



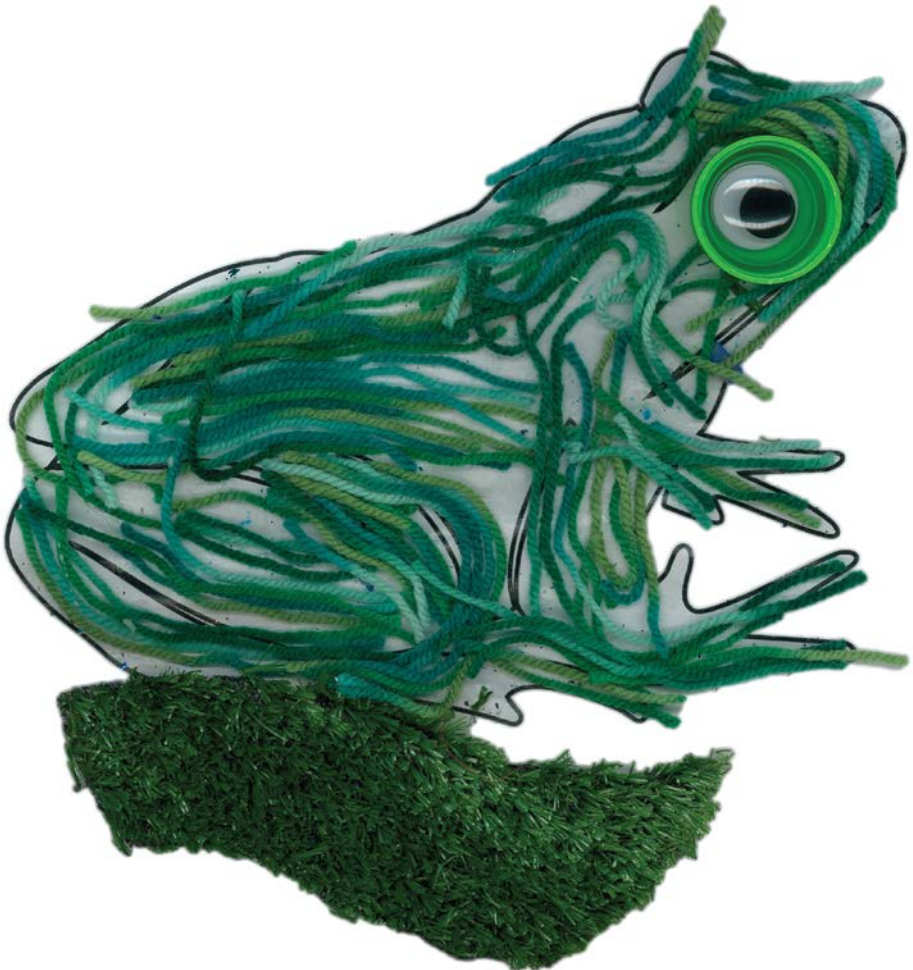


# Growling Grass Frog

I live in grassy wetlands.

I eat insects.

I am special because I am a really big frog.



The Growling Grass Frog can be hurt from the wild, feral pig.

Feral pigs stomp through wetlands, damaging habitat. Pigs also sniff out the Growling Grass Frogs hiding in the grass and eat them.

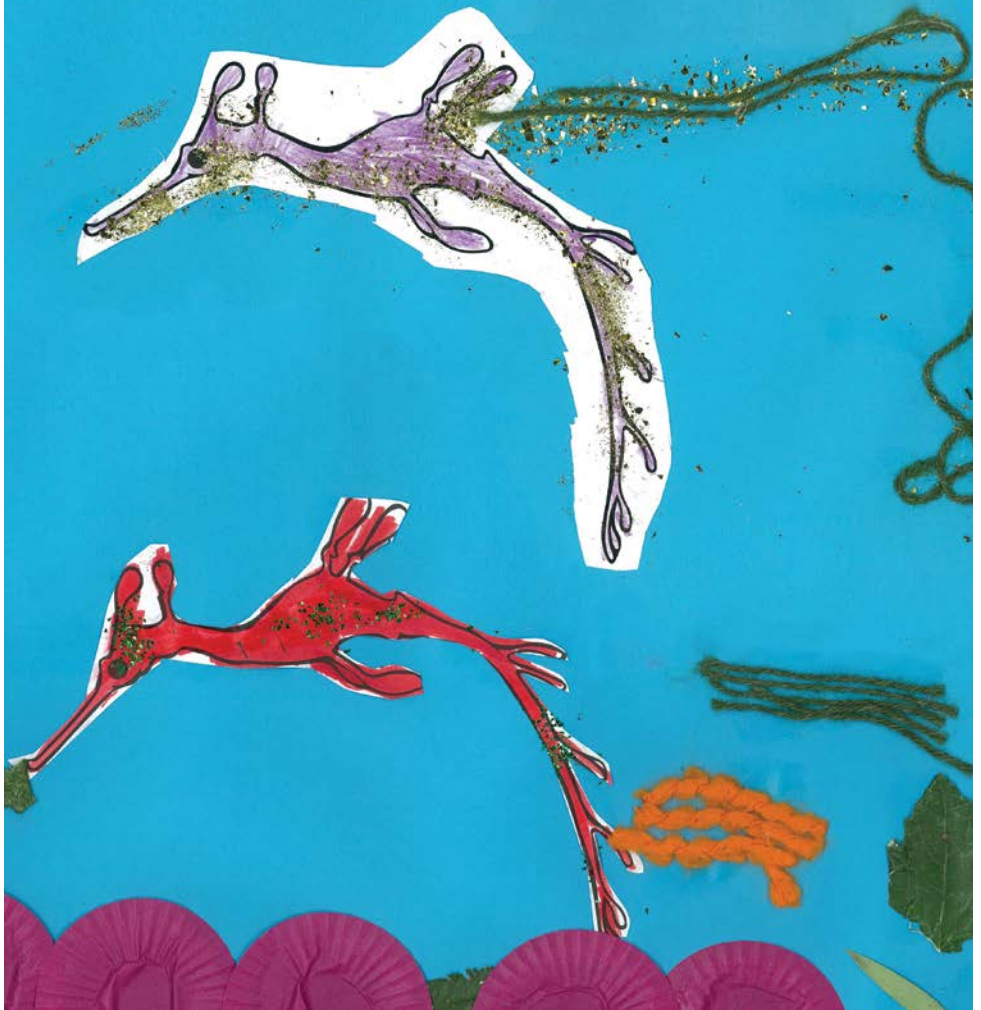


# Weedy Seadragon

I live in the Gippsland Lakes.

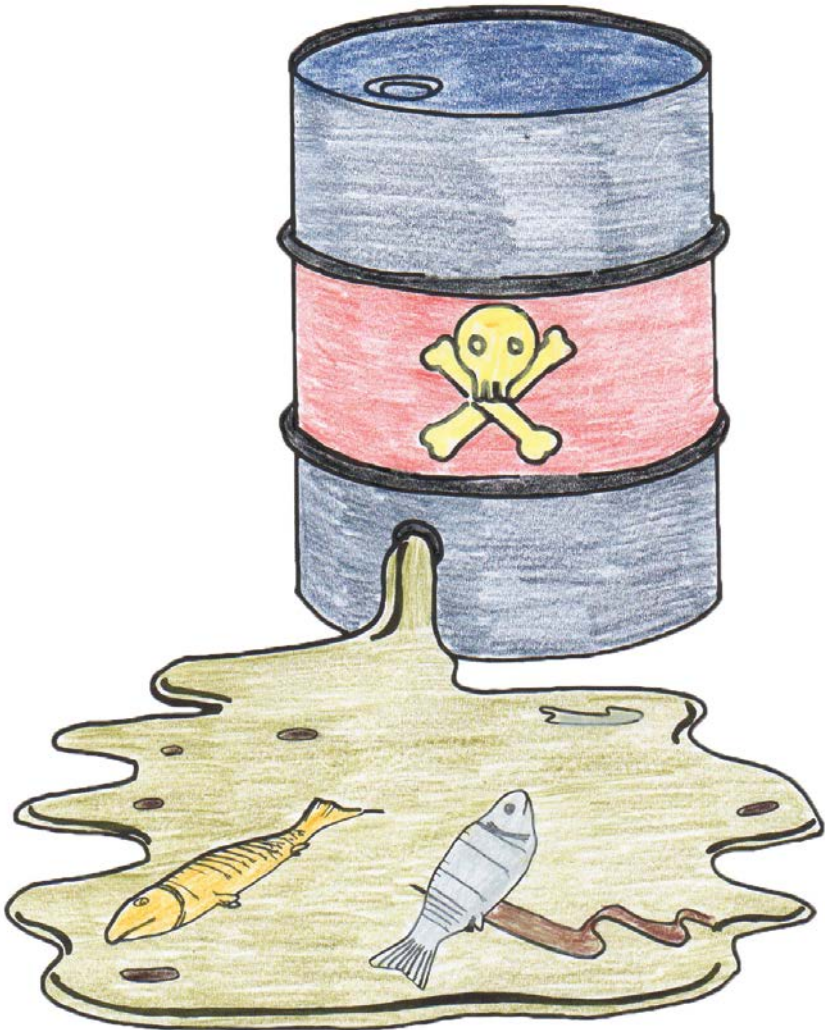
I eat tiny animals called plankton.

I am special because I look like seaweed.





The Weedy Seadragon can be hurt from nasty chemicals that get dumped into the water.



# New Holland Mouse

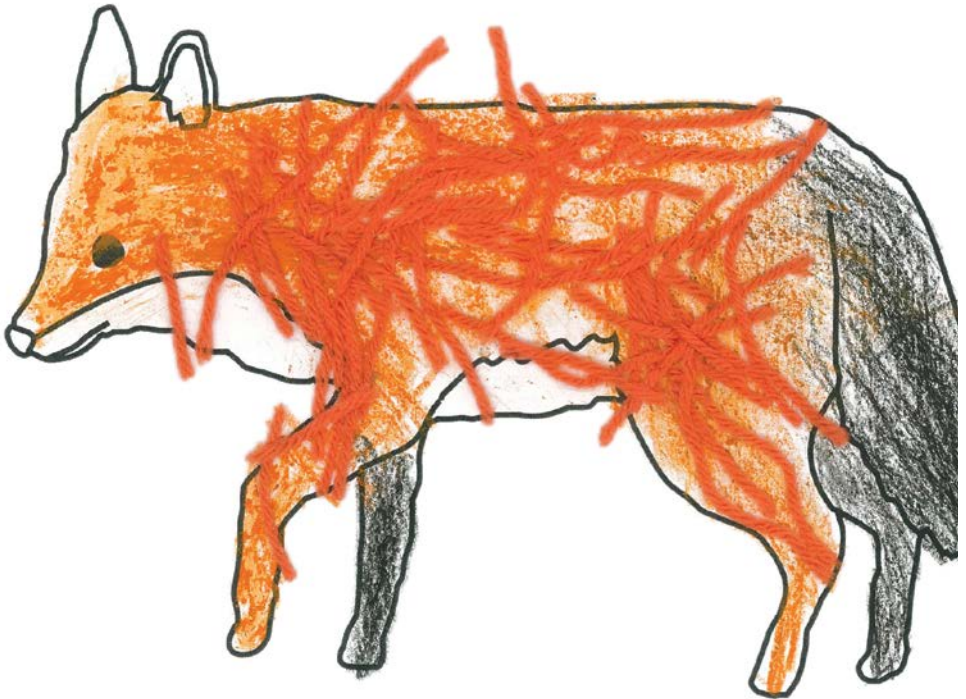
I live around the Gippsland Lakes area.

I eat seeds, leaves and fungi.

I am special because I have a really long tail.



The New Holland Mouse can be hurt because foxes like to hunt and eat them.



# Hooded Plover

I live on the sandy beaches in the wild.

I eat small insects that live on the beach.

I am special because I lay my eggs on the ground.





The Hooded Plover can be hurt by dogs. The dogs either eat the Hooded Plovers or chase them away from their nest and eat their eggs.

Hooded Plovers are an endangered animal as there are not many of them left.





# Little Tern

I live on sandy beaches.

I eat small fish.

I am special because I  
fly around Australia.



The Little Tern can be hurt from cats eating them or their chicks.

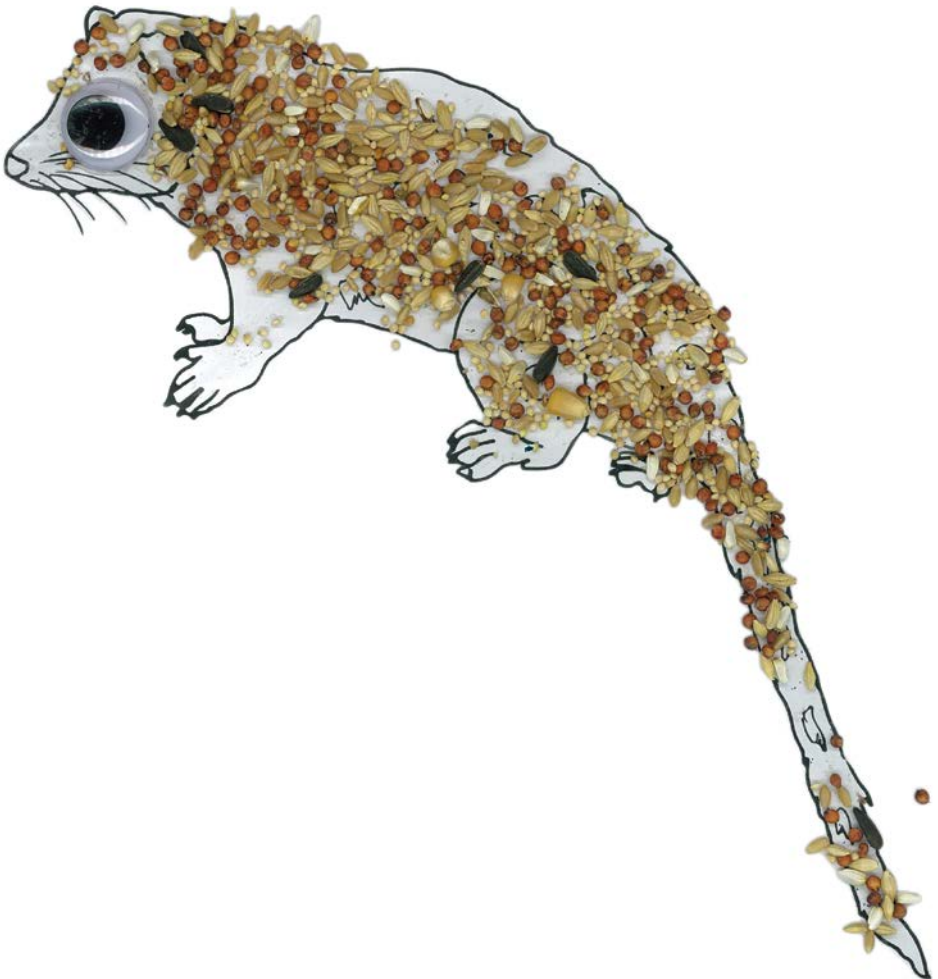


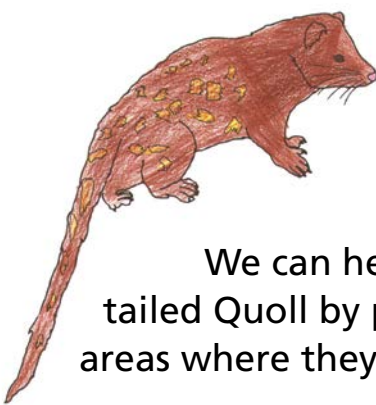
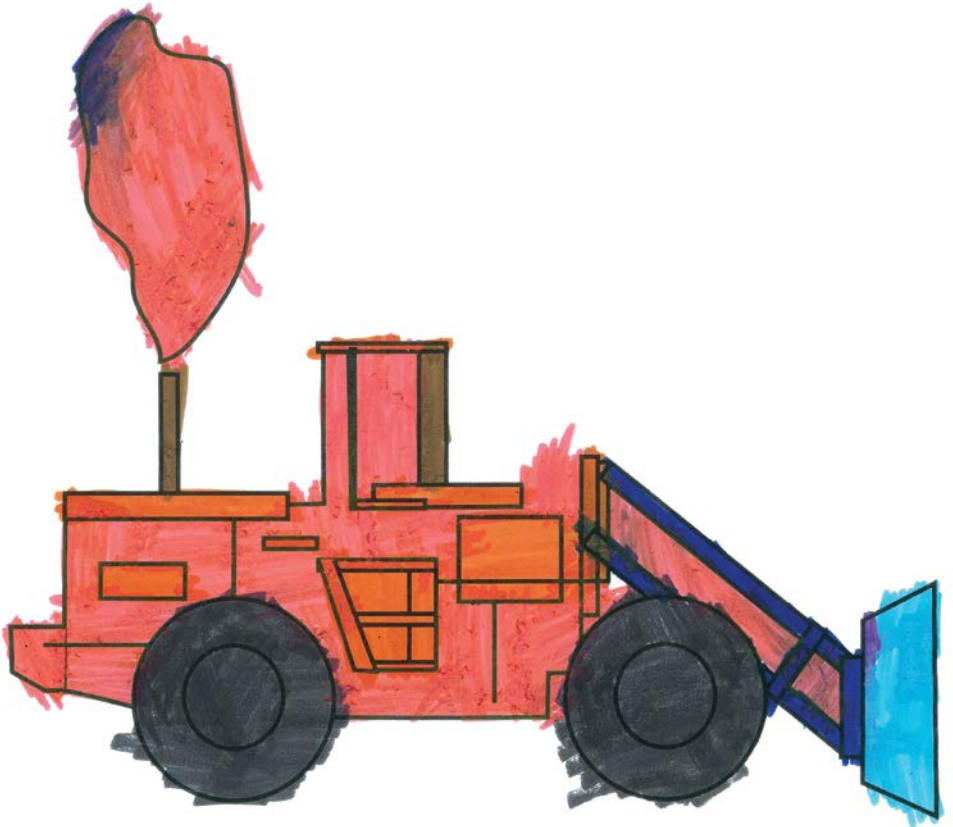
# Spotted-tailed Quoll

I live in the forests of the Gippsland Lakes area.

I eat small animals.

I am special because I can hunt for small animals on the ground and in the trees.





The Spotted-tailed Quoll can be hurt by clearing forests and destroying habitat.

We can help protect the Spotted-tailed Quoll by planting more trees in areas where they might live.









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