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> G'day everyone, my name is Sarge! I have been at Clifton Creek since dinosaurs roamed the Earth. Over time we have learnt how important it is to take care of the Gippsland Lakes area; so we decided to do our part. Clifton Creek Primary School has become an eco-friendly school.



As you read, you will find out a little bit about the changes that have happened. Interesting characters will tell stories of how we have improved our environmental awareness and sustainability practices. You may spot me popping up in the story too!



Hi, my name is Katy. I am a King parrot. I have two babies named Kathy and Ken. I help out Clifton Creek's environment by eating fruit and popping out the seeds.



I live in the fruit trees here. Some of my 'houses' include apple, plum, pear and lemon trees. It is a fantastic place to live.



Hi, my name is Kisses. I live in one of the nesting boxes at Clifton Creek. These boxes are good for laying my eggs in and they are a great hideout.



There are many birds here because of the nesting boxes. Most birds here are colourful. I sometimes come up to the kids and eat their food!



Solar the solar panel helps us charge our laptops and iPads, as well as saving us heaps on our electricity bill.



We have *Solar* the solar panel because it's better to use solar panels for electricity. Solar loves sitting on top of our classroom getting all the goodness from the sun.



One day Sarge saw Ali Walkins alone and thought... Let's get a peacock! Phoenix was introduced; he went through bags looking for lunch, slept in trees and even on the neighbour's roof.



Unfortunately, one day a ferocious dog named Dave got in the enclosure and killed Phoenix. The enclosure for our animals is now called the Phoenix enclosure.



Bob the snail was crawling towards Clifton Creek and he sniffed out the fantastic veggie garden! Bob decided to live there because it was awesome and he loved the produce.



There are tomatoes, onions, carrots and many other things for Bob to eat. Bob soon found Phoebe the snail; they lived happily ever after.

Every Thursday is called 'Kitchen Garden Thursday.' Bob and Phoebe get to munch on the scraps.



Hi, I'm Fifi the Fairy and I live in the Clifton Creek secret garden. In 1994, there was a primary school competition to create a garden inspired by the movie *"The Secret Garden."* Clifton Creek won!



All the kids love to play with me. The garden has some magnificent native trees and beautiful flowers for me to play in. The prize money went towards the Kitchen Garden program.



Hi, my name is Frank and I'm a frog. I have been living in the Clifton Creek 'Frog Bog' for 4 years. I love the shelter, the food and my friends - Tony the tortoise and Sam the tadpole. I love the Frog Bog because it gives me a place to hide. The Frog Bog helps the kids learn more about me. The Frog Bog was made possible through the ResourceSmart program.

Clifton Creek Primary is working hard to make our school a better place by helping to protect the local environment. Now it is your turn to think about all the things you can do to help in your community.



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