

# Penny the Pig



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## Creative Catchment Kids

Creative Catchment Kids is an initiative of Wirraminna Environmental Education Centre. It aims to improve engagement between our funding partners and school students by providing opportunities for positive and authentic ventures that encourage students to develop creative solutions to agriculture and natural resource management issues.

**[www.wirraminna.org/creative-catchment-kids/](http://www.wirraminna.org/creative-catchment-kids/)**

## Wirraminna Environmental Education Centre

The Wirraminna Environmental Education Centre is located in Burrumbuttock, north of Albury in southern NSW. Since 1995, the centre, which is adjacent to Burrumbuttock Public School, has provided opportunities for discovery and learning about the natural environment, the ecology of the local woodlands and the beauty of native plants.

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## Enviro-Stories

Enviro-Stories is an innovative literacy education program that inspires learning about natural resource and catchment management issues. Developed by Peekdesigns, this program provides students with an opportunity to publish their own stories that have been written for other kids to support learning about their local area.

**[www.envirostories.com.au](http://www.envirostories.com.au)**

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## Local Land Heroes - Pests in Irrigation

In 2015, students involved in the Creative Catchment Kids program researched and wrote stories about their 'Local Land Heroes' who are involved in pest management in and around the Murrumbidgee Irrigation Area. These heroes are local individuals, couples, a business or industries that have made a difference in their local community by contributing to the management of pest animals and plants. The program was generously funded by Riverina Local Land Services.

Local Land Heroes is part of Enviro-Stories, a PeekDesigns education program.



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One day, a feral pig called Penny was with her parents. They saw some hunters who were trying to kill her and her family. They ran as fast as they could.

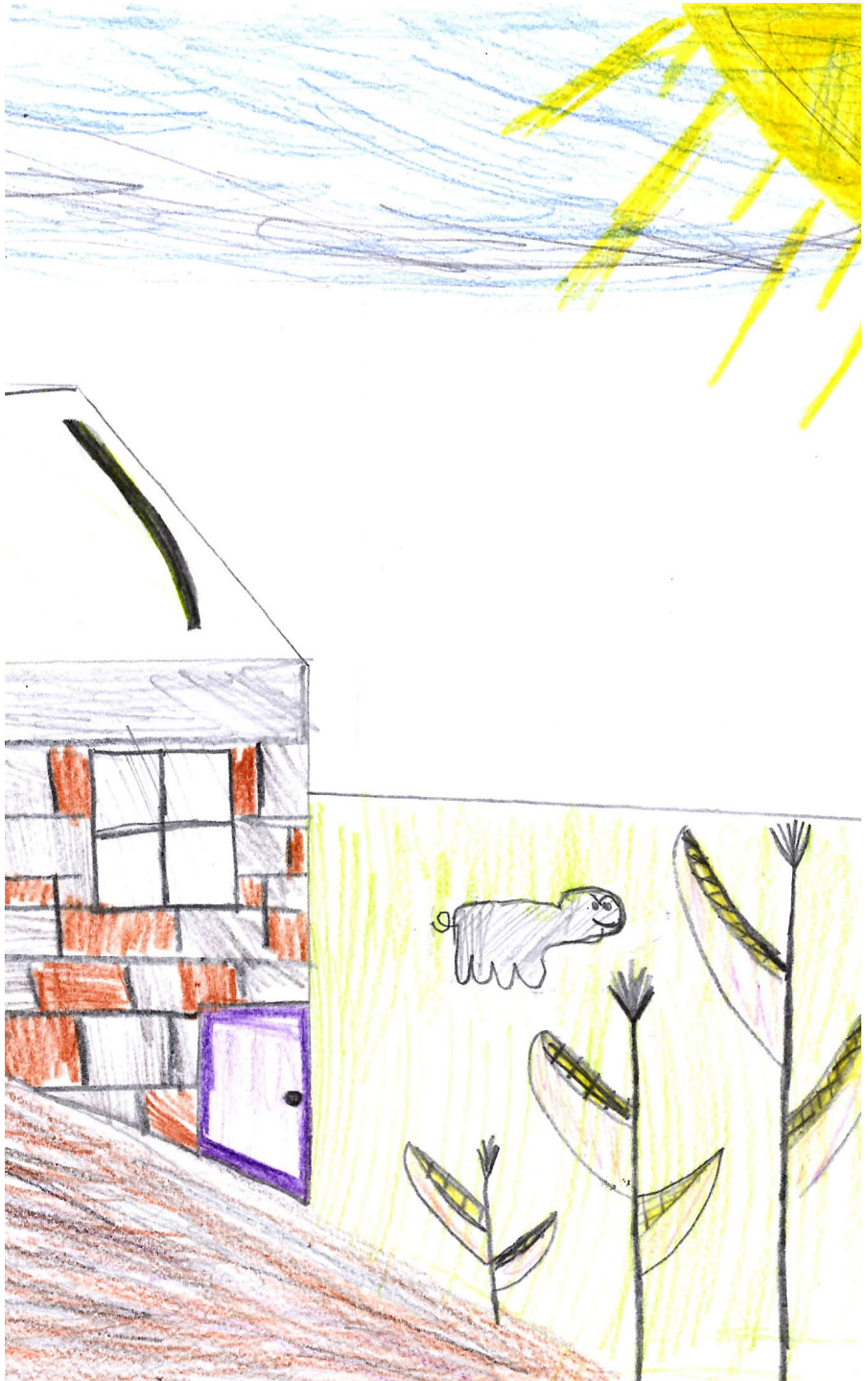
The hunters eventually captured Penny's parents and took them away. Penny was stranded on the farm in the paddocks.



Penny got angry and did what feral pigs do! She started to eat some native plants and wrecked them.

She then started eating the farmer's crop and found the channel the farmer used to water his crops. She turned it into a mud bath!

The farmer was not happy.



The farmer tried to shoo Penny away.  
He chased her into his barn and  
locked her in.

All of a sudden she saw her mum and  
dad. Penny felt better and looked out  
the window to try to figure out how to  
escape.





Penny and her family thought that if they did try and escape, the farmer would catch them again.

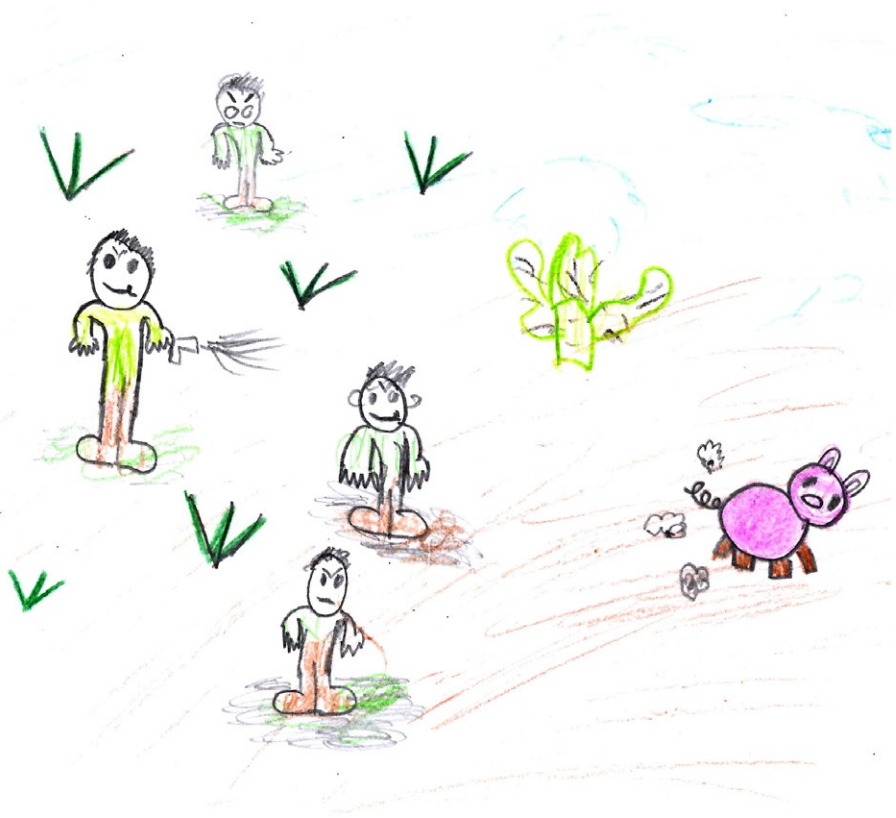
The farmer then put a Judas collar around Penny's neck. She did not like it one bit.



The next day, Penny heard a helicopter in the distance.

She wondered what the noise was all about.





Penny and her family managed to escape. Penny still had the collar on. They wondered if the collar would bring the hunters closer.

The hunters eventually tracked Penny and her family down and shot them. This was because of all the damage that feral pigs cause.





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Wirraminna Environmental Education Centre and  
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2015 NSW Junior Landcare Team Award and will be  
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