

# Welcome to Uranquinty!



Year 2-3 Class

Uranquinty Public School



## **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.

**[www.wirraminna.org](http://www.wirraminna.org)**

## **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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This book has been published as part of the 2015 Creative Catchment Kids program and associated with Enviro-Stories, a Peekdesigns education program. For more information about sustainable energy use, head to the Wirraminna website for your copy of the Energy and Water Saving Education Kit for Schools.

## Energy and Water Saving Education Kit

The Energy and Water Saving Education Kit for schools is designed for Stage 2 and 3 students to help them understand how energy use and water used can impact on climate change. The kit contains teacher notes and lessons on sources of energy and energy saving, electricity consumption and saving water.

[www.wirraminna.org/sustainability-trailer/](http://www.wirraminna.org/sustainability-trailer/)



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We want to tell you all about our town. It's a great place to make new friends.

Uranquinty is on the Olympic Highway, located about halfway between Sydney and Melbourne. Our town is close to Wagga Wagga. The train goes right through the middle of Uranquinty.

In Uranquinty there are lots of nice people and it's a happy place to live.



This is our school, it is called Uranquinty Public School. It is here so kids in Uranquinty can go to a school where they know everyone. This school was built in 1900, it has been here for over 100 years. At this school we have a gardening club called *The Mud Monsters*, a science club, choir and lots of sport.



In Uranquinty we have a war memorial. We have an ANZAC Day March here every year.

They used to have an air force base in Uranquinty and that is why we have a war memorial at Uranquinty.

At the park people stop and they can play on the equipment and the swings. People can stop to have lunch or use the barbeque area.





The power plant is owned by Origin Energy. They make electricity. Our school went there for a visit. We had to wear hard hats with yellow vests and plastic glasses to keep us safe. We went to some noisy areas. We saw some pools of water; one had rain water, one had salt water, but the water had to stay in the right pool.



Our town is on a busy highway and people can stop to go to the toilet and have a rest and a stretch at the Rest Area. These big silos have a lot of use in harvest time in Uranquinty. The toilets were designed to match the silos right behind them.





At the Quinty Bakehouse there are lots of yummy treats like cookies, lamingtons, ice-creams, pies, chips and sourdough bread. It has a playground and toys for the kids. It is a good place to have a rest when you're travelling. It's very famous and they have won many awards. They even have cooking classes for kids in the holidays.





The Chemist is a place to get vitamins and medicine. The Chemist is the newest shop in Uranquinty. They built a chemist so people don't have to travel to Wagga to if they get sick.

Lots of families go to the Uranquinty Pub to have lunch and dinner and the food is very yummy. There is a kid's playground out the back.





At the Petrol Station, which we call the 'Servo', you can pull up, get some petrol and keep travelling to Wagga Wagga, Albury, Sydney or Melbourne. You can also get a newspaper, pie, sausage roll, ice cream or some sweets. There is a post office at the 'Servo' so you can also post a letter.





This is the new Community Hall. There is a big oval, equipment to play on and some tennis courts as well. People use the hall for special events like Christmas Carols.

In the Men's Shed they build things. They fix old things to make them useful again. The Men's Shed is a great place for men to make friends and build things.





The Uranquinty Preschool is a place for little ones to learn and have fun. It is a really great place because the people there are so nice. Also it gives the kids a good education for going to school in a couple of years. They have a really cool playground and lots of toys like trucks, a sandpit and bikes for two people.



The Uranquinty Fire Brigade is very important to keep our town safe. There are two fire engines, one with a ladder and one without a ladder. They take the trucks out each week to make sure everything is okay. The firefighters help farmers burn off. They also help in floods to pump the water and take it away from the houses.





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## CONGRATULATIONS

Wirraminna Environmental Education Centre and the Creative Catchment Kids Program won the 2015 NSW Junior Landcare Team Award and will be competing in the 2016 National Landcare Awards.



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