

OzGreen – MyRiveR Cooks

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Orica Botany funded an environmental education program called 'MyRiveR' run by a non-profit organisation, OzGREEN (Global Rivers Environmental Education Network Australia Inc).

OzGREEN has been involved in environmental education programs for the Cooks River Catchment since 1994 and has a focus on youth driven research and action. The Orica Botany site hosted the annual MYRiveR Cooks program, a two-day session of student congress and afternoon community forum in 2006 and 2007. Under this program, students had the opportunity to assess the health of the Cooks River, survey the local community, and develop their own vision for the future and action plans. The action plans were then presented to the community during the community forum held on the last day.

Local primary and high schools that participated were Banksmeadow Public School, Randwick Boys High School, JJ Cahill High School, and Malek Fahd Islamic School.

For further information please visit Oz GREEN and their MyRiveR Program:
<http://www.ozgreen.org.au/>



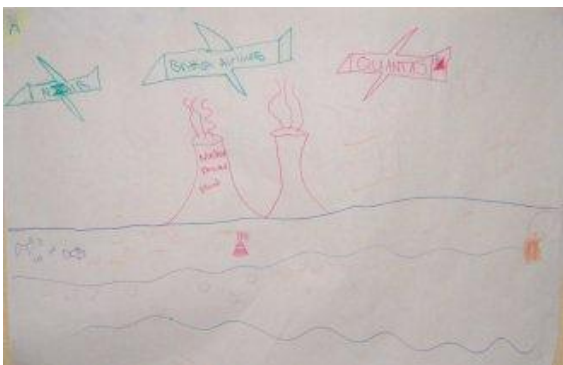
Sample images drawn by participating students in 2007 program:



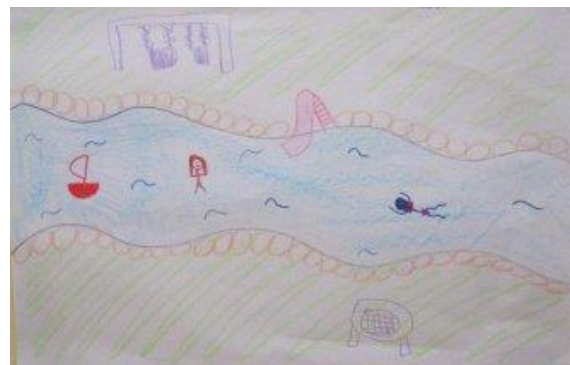
Student's image of Cooks River 50 years ago



Student's image of Cooks River in 50 years, if no action is taken



Student's image of Cooks River at present / near future



Student's image of Cooks River in 50 years, if action is taken