



## Professional Development

Sessions are offered to:

- Provide information about the Water – LiLi program
- Update teachers on current water issues
- Provide ideas for classroom activities and units of work
- Allow teachers to network, and share knowledge

## Education Officers

Each water business has an education officer to assist schools in their area with working through the Water – LiLi milestones.



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## Contact Details

City West Water	131 691
South East Water	131 694
Yarra Valley Water	131 721
Melbourne Water	131 722

Program is available to all primary and secondary schools within Metropolitan Melbourne.

# Water – Learn it! Live it!



## Education program

for primary and  
secondary schools

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## Want to provide your school with a free water saving resource and high quality accreditation program?

Join Melbourne's free water education program, **Water – Learn it! Live it! (Water – LiLi)**

Benefits for your school include:

- Recognition as an accredited Water – Learn it! Live it! school
- Educational resources including an education kit and posters
- Free classroom presentations
- Free teacher professional development
- Media and publicity opportunities

### Water – Learn it! Live it! at a glance

Water – LiLi is a comprehensive water education program created by Melbourne's State Government owned water businesses (City West Water, South East Water, Yarra Valley Water and Melbourne Water).

### Water – Learn it! Live it! Accreditation Program

The Water – LiLi accreditation program provides schools with the opportunity to be recognised for their commitment to water conservation.

#### Does it cost anything to join?

The program is free. Funding is provided through the state government's Our Water Our Future program.

#### How does my school become accredited?

Your school must complete each of the milestones in the Water – LiLi program in the Bronze, Silver or Gold category.

After your school commits to the program, your Water – LiLi officer will document each milestone as you achieve it.

#### What are the milestones?

Criteria	Bronze	Silver	Gold
Commitment	Commitment letter from principal or school council	Commitment letter from principal or school council	Commitment letter from principal or school council
Curriculum focus	Enrich or create units of work that integrate water education/conservation as a topic in one year level	Enrich or create units of work that integrate water education/conservation as a topic in more than one year level	Enrich or create units of work that integrate water education/conservation as a topic in every year level
Communicate Learnings	Communicate learnings to the school community through the school newsletter or website	Students communicate learnings from one year level to another	Students communicate learnings from one school to another
National Water Week or World Water Day	Participate in National Water Week or World Water Day (At least one year level)	Participate in National Water Week or World Water Day (Whole school focus)	Students and/or teachers organise and host a National Water Week or World Water Day event
Professional Development Sessions	Minimum of one teacher attends one Water – LiLi professional development session each year	Minimum of one teacher presents at one Water – LiLi professional development session each year	School hosts a professional development session for teachers from other schools each year
Consumption	Knowledge of the Schools Water Efficiency Program	Monitor water consumption and begin to make changes	Submit a Water Management Action Plan with your local water retailer

#### How long do I need to commit for?

Commitment can vary from a two-week unit of work to a term-long focus on water depending on the needs of your school.

#### What happens once the school is accredited?

Following accreditation, you will receive Water – LiLi signage for your school. Your Water – LiLi officer will be available to present the accreditation at a school assembly. We will also invite media to the event to help raise the profile of your school.

### The Water – Learn it! Live it! Resource

Receive a free copy of the Water – LiLi resource by contacting your Water – LiLi officer.

The resource provides:

- Classroom activities covering water science, the natural and urban water cycles, water conservation, alternative water supplies and water and society
- Activities divided into primary and secondary sections, linked with VELS and mapped to Bloom's taxonomy and Gardner's multiple intelligences
- Comprehensive teacher literacy sections explaining water concepts and issues
- Example units of work to assist with curriculum planning
- Case studies detailing schools efforts to implement water conservation measures