

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

Mayor Paul Pisasale
City of Ipswich



October 2008

Dear Teacher,

National Recycling Week Competition 2008: *Turning Trash into Treasure!*

National Recycling Week is held from 10 – 16 November 2008 and aims to raise public awareness of the importance of recycling for a more sustainable future.

Councillor Trevor Nardi and I would like to announce that Ipswich Waste Services is holding a competition for all Ipswich school children to celebrate National Recycling Week 2008, and we encourage your school to participate.

To enter, students must simply design and make a Christmas decoration from rubbish and recyclable materials. The competition will encourage students to turn everyday items of rubbish into art in addition to promoting the benefits of reusing and recycling. We have enclosed a brochure detailing the competition and some helpful hints on how to make the decorations.

Students have the chance to win some fantastic prizes such as:

- Packets of "Smencils"
- Car tyre pencil case
- Wind up radio with torch
- Shoulder bags
- Wind up MP3 player

All entries will receive an IWS 'mini bin'. In addition, the prize for a school class entry is an all expenses paid trip to the Visy Material Recovery Facility (MRF) at Gibson Island, Brisbane. The prize, kindly donated by Visy Recycling, includes bus transfers from Ipswich, a guided tour of the recycling facility and lunch.

The competition closes on Friday 14 November 2008. The winning entries will be drawn on Monday 17 November 2008 and winners will be contacted to discuss arrangements for the presentation of prizes.

During National Recycling Week, Council is also holding a free art workshop in partnership with Reverse Garbage. The Junk Sculpture Workshop will be held in the Ipswich Mall on Saturday 15 November from 10:30am – 12:30pm. Numbers are limited to 40 participants and bookings are essential.

If you have any queries or require further information about the National Recycling Week competition or to book a place for the Reverse Garbage workshop, please contact Ipswich Waste Services on telephone (07) 3810 8100. Additional information, including conditions of entry and prizes, is available on our website: www.ipswich.qld.gov.au.

We look forward to receiving entries from your school and wish everyone the best of luck with the competition.

Kind regards



Mayor Paul Pisasale
City of Ipswich



Councillor Trevor Nardi
Chairperson, City Works Committee

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National Recycling Week 10 – 16 November 2008



Trash into Treasure!

COMPETITION AND FREE WORKSHOP

**A message from Mayor Paul Pisasale
and Councillors of the City of Ipswich**

Congratulations to Visy and Ecoasis for co-sponsoring this important event with Council. It is exciting to see people of all ages and walks of life getting involved with initiatives that promote recycling. With a small effort all of us can care for and protect our precious city and our planet's resources.

**Book into the
Reverse Garbage Workshop
or enter our
Christmas decoration
competition**

**Leading the Way in the 3 Rs!
Reduce, Reuse, Recycle**

www.ipswich.qld.gov.au

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Ipswich

National Recycling Week

Trash into Treasure! COMPETITION

HOW TO ENTER

Design and make a unique Christmas decoration from rubbish and recyclable material. The competition is open to all schools within Ipswich. Entries limited to one per child. Class entries are also accepted.

Closing Date: Friday 14 November 2008

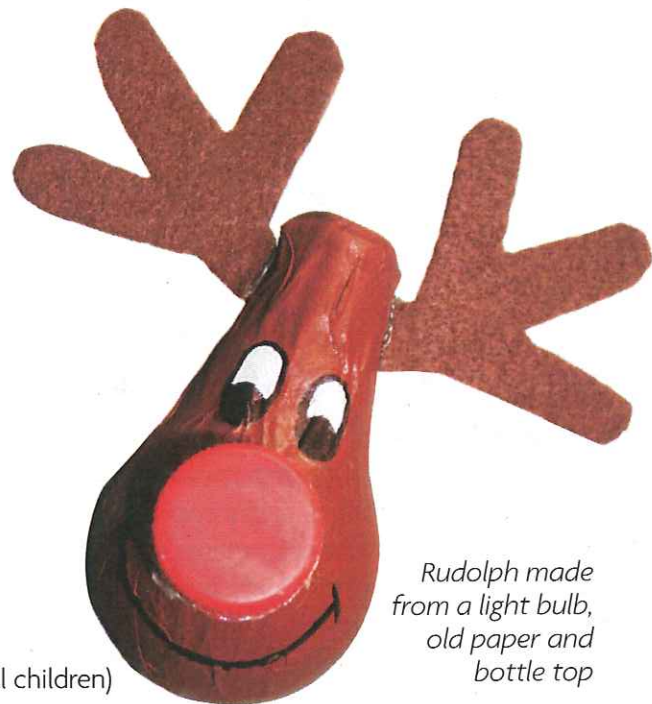
Entries may be delivered to:

Environmental Education Officer
Ipswich Waste Services
180-250 Briggs Road, Ipswich

Please ensure entries are clearly labelled with student's name, year and school. Bulk entries may also be collected from the school with prior notification.

Tips to get you started

- **CLEAN rubbish items, e.g.**
 - » Old clothing/material
 - » Compact discs and cases
 - » Film containers and pill bottles
 - » Drinking straws
 - » Plastic eating utensils (forks, spoons)
 - » Old puzzle pieces
 - » Light bulbs (this may not be suitable for small children)
 - » Plastic bags
 - » Styrofoam
 - » Plastic packaging
- **CLEAN recyclable items, e.g.**
 - » Used paper (newspaper, wrapping paper, junk mail)
 - » Cardboard (cereal boxes, paper towel rolls)
 - » Plastic bottles and containers
 - » Aluminium cans, soft drink cans. (this may not be suitable for small children)
 - » Steel cans - baked bean/spaghetti/tuna etc. (this may not be suitable for small children).
- **Glue/sticky tape**
- **Scissors**
- **Paint, coloured pencils/pens**
- **Tinsel**
- **Anything else to make them pretty!**



Rudolph made from a light bulb, old paper and bottle top

For entry details visit our website:
www.ipswich.qld.gov.au

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GREAT PRIZES TO BE WON

Categories

Childcare and Prep
Years 1 – 4
Years 5 – 7
Years 8 – 9
Years 10 – 12
School class entry

Prizes

Each category will win a fabulous 'eco' prize. All prizes are eco-friendly and many are made from recycled or reused materials. A list and photos of prizes for each category can be viewed on our website: www.ipswich.qld.gov.au

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Years 10 – 12



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VISY
FOR A BETTER WORLD

Ipswich Waste Services **FREE** Workshop

'Junk Sculpture'

Reverse Garbage Workshop

for **children 6 years or over** to
make decorations from a variety
of salvaged and recycled material.

Saturday 15 November

10.30am - 12.30pm

Ipswich City Mall

Bookings and parental guidance essential.

Phone Ipswich Waste Services on **3810 8100**.

Reverse Garbage is a worker-run co-operative that collects unwanted discards from industry and businesses, diverting these high quality materials from landfill to make them available at low cost to the community. They currently pick up materials from more than 300 suppliers around Brisbane. With a truckload of materials coming in every weekday, there is always something new and interesting in the warehouse to check out. They divert around two tonnes of materials from landfill every week. For more information go to: www.reversegarbage.com.au