

## ENVIRONMENTAL PHOTOGRAPHY

Our school, Horsham College, has designed a program where we start and finish a community project on sustainability over a period of ten weeks and we get each Wednesday to use the time to do it.

For our project Natasha and I chose to do environmental photography, which involved taking photos of places and things around the Wimmera environment and producing them into gift cards, which we later sold in an exhibition at Horsham's local shopping centre.

For our project there were heaps of things to organize, like: getting approval from photography stores, advertising, organizing how and when to do everything and how much to spend. There were a lot of different photos we took to choose from, but in the end we chose our top 10 and edited them then printed them each five times (so we sold 50). Two photography stores helped us out by displaying posters of our photography and some of our work to advertise for our upcoming exhibition.

It took a while to get all the gift cards made with their envelopes, but we finally finished and we spent one of our Wednesday's selling them in the Horsham Plaza. We made \$150.00 all up and after paying ourselves back, we donated our profits to the Red Cross. We were originally going to give the money we made to the Bushfire Appeal, but we chose the Red Cross after we found out it the Bushfire Appeal had been closed.

We both found this project very fun and a good way to keep the environment sustainable and even make some money. We both got along very well and worked hard to make this project achievable. Natasha Johnston and Hollie Purdue.

