



IDEAS FOR ACTION

Change a personal behaviour ...

- ≡ Reduce my consumption/buying of “throw away” rubbish
- ≡ Keep reusable bags in car/bag to always have handy
- ≡ Try to buy recyclable containers
- ≡ Sort rubbish, recycle
- ≡ Give used clothes/items to others, charities, refuse stations
- ≡ Try to buy products not wrapped in plastic
- ≡ Reducing plastic super market bag usage
- ≡ Take care when at the beach, boating, fishing, not to drop any litter
- ≡ Take a bag to the beach or when boating or fishing to collect litter in
- ≡ Make a commitment to be involved in at least one activity (to enhance the environment) on the harbour annually

Set up a system or action for the class/school/community ...

- ≡ Regular beach clean up
- ≡ Target ‘no rubbish’ lunch boxes
- ≡ Walk around neighbourhood to check on rubbish
- ≡ Check personal lunch rubbish – can this be reduced?
- ≡ Have parent reduce/eliminate plastic supermarket bags – check!
- ≡ Regular school ground clean-ups
- ≡ Monitor health of Harbour
- ≡ Grow gardens, have worm farms
- ≡ Recycle paper, use emails
- ≡ Paint school and community stormwater drains with a yellow fish to remind people that they lead to the ocean
- ≡ Adopt an area of the harbour side/ beach to care for – put up no littering signs, plant habitat etc
- ≡ Ask the class or school to ‘adopt’ a penguin, albatross, or sea lion etc – to learn about them and do something to enhance their environment e.g.: planting habitat or making nesting boxes for penguins

Educating others ...

- ≡ Albatross Colony staff to present to class/school
- ≡ Websites
- ≡ Research/data
- ≡ Drama production to show parents (keep Dunedin beautiful)
- ≡ Lead by example
- ≡ Presentations to adult groups
- ≡ Digital newspapers
- ≡ Email vs letters
- ≡ Education for families e.g. like Push Play
- ≡ Tell others about the amount of plastic found in some of our sea birds
- ≡ Write letters to all the manufacturers of products that use packaging and show them the photo of where some of their packaging ends up! (i.e. inside a dead albatross). Ask the manufacturers to commit to reducing their packaging or changing it to something biodegradable i.e. not plastic!
- ≡ Commit to telling at least 10 others why the Harbour is important and what we can all do to enhance our marine environment – ask them to pass the message on to at least two other people

Wild cards ...

- ≡ Create a time machine to see what the harbour used to look like
- ≡ Lobby local companies to think about their packaging
- ≡ Invent a machine that disintegrates all plastics
- ≡ How did we transport our groceries before plastic? Could we go back to that somehow?