

Karak and Ngoolark – Black Cockatoos

Many people in our school community are concerned about the endangered black cockatoos, and want to help. We have already been helping black cockatoos since 1962! The school's commitment to preserve the bushland is more important than ever, as more trees in the area are removed for infill housing projects and roadworks.

Our bushland is like a cafe in between Lake Goollelal and other urban bushland sites, where cockatoos can rest, hang out together and feed on the marri and banksia trees.

- The best thing we can do to help at school is weeding to give native plants the best chance to grow
- take care of the plants growing around school play areas
- observe the cockatoos that visit our bushland to learn more about them
- for ways to help at home, visit www.blackcockatoorecovery.com

While larger trees in our bushland may provide roosting sites, we are not installing nest boxes because they:

- must be 3 meters or higher above the ground
- must be regularly inspected and maintained
- this would require large ladder or lift equipment to be moved through the bushland, causing damage to undergrowth and ongoing cost
- are often invaded by pest species such as rainbow lorikeets and feral bees



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Priority: Natural Environment
Conserve and manage the School's bushland and surrounds for the benefit of the community.