ABOUT PROJECT LUNCHBOX
Camden Council’s Project Lunchbox aims to raise awareness of the impact of food waste and encourage the local community to reduce how much ‘good’ food we waste. Project Lunchbox has been funded under the NSW Environment Protection Authority’s (EPA) Love Food Hate Waste grant program.

THE COMPETITION
Camden Council is inviting all young bloggers aged between 16 to 24 years from the Camden LGA to blog about reducing food waste!

Create a blog using or describing the theme “Love Food Hate Waste”. The theme is completely open to your personal interpretation, which we hope will result in some amazing blog entries. For example, you might describe a delicious recipe using last night’s roasted vegies. Maybe you could show in pictures or short film the alternative solution to the ‘furry green’ thing growing in the back of the fridge? Perhaps you could talk about the impact of food waste on the environment? Or maybe your blog shows the changes you made in your grocery shopping that meant you wasted less food AND money!

Remember, whatever your blog, you just need to show that you understand the message of Love Food Hate Waste.

FREE BLOGGING WORKSHOP
If you are new to blogging, you can learn how to create, update and promote your own blog at one of the FREE workshops at The Space Digital Studios at Narellan Library on:

Monday 17 March | Tuesday 18 March
Monday 24 March | Tuesday 25 March
Monday 31 March | Tuesday 1 April 2014
(3.30pm to 4.45pm)

Nb: Attendance to blogging workshop is not necessary for entry into the blogging competition.

lovefoodhatewaste.nsw.gov.au
waste less food, save money and our environment
THE STORY OF FOOD WASTE

Food waste results from preparing and cooking food. It is the food we throw in the bin, we feed to our pets or toss in the compost or worm farm. It’s the food we bought to eat but then threw away. There are two types of food waste: ‘avoidable’ and ‘unavoidable’ food waste.

The NSW EPA’s Love Food Hate Waste Program focuses on ‘avoidable’ food waste. This includes food that:
- gets wasted because we buy more than we need;
- is out of date before we use it;
- gets wasted because we cook more than we need.

‘Unavoidable’ food waste is food waste that can not usually be eaten eg pineapple skins, tea bags and fruit and vegetable peelings. It is the food waste we can not really do anything further with apart from composting it or putting it in the bin.

ENTRY DETAILS

Entry to Project Lunchbox – Blog Bites Blogging Competition should include the following:
- An engaging and original blog that highlights the Love Food Hate Waste theme of reducing food waste. The blog may be written (of no more than 600 words), include photos, pictures, animation, footage (of no more than 5 minutes in length) or any combination of these elements.
- We are looking to spread the Love Food Hate Waste message so ask your friends to comment on your blog post. We will also take this into account when judging.
- If you do not have your own blog, you can still enter by posting your blog directly to the Camden Love Food Hate Waste blog ie http://camdenprojectlunchbox.blogspot.com.au/p/competition-details.html under ‘Post a Comment’ Add the comment ‘I Love Food Hate Waste and this is my Blog Bite.’ Please note that your entry submitted this way is limited to text or words only. Alternatively, you can email your blog entry to lovefoodhatewaste@camden.nsw.gov.au and we will post your entry on the blog on your behalf. If you email your entry, make sure you include your name, address, age (at 1 March 2014) and contact number.

ENTRY DEADLINE

Submit your entry by midnight Friday 4 April 2014. Winners announced by midday Monday 14 April 2014.

WIN GREAT PRIZES

There is more than $1,000 worth of prizes to be won. The winning blogger will win the ultimate lunchbox - a lunchbox containing an iPad mini loaded with relevant food waste reduction applications and food saving kit! Runner up prize includes food saving kit and resources.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1. This competition is open to all residents aged 16-24 years (age at 1 March 2014) living in the Camden Local Government Area, except employees of Camden Council, and their immediate families, or anyone connected in any way whatsoever with this competition.
2. For the purposes of this competition, the competition organisers are defined as nominated staff from Camden Council involved in the organisation and coordination of Project Lunchbox and this competition.
3. The judges will comprise of representatives from Camden Council and at least one independent judge.
4. Your blog must be themed about reducing waste. If written, it must be written in English but can include words in other languages if relevant to the blog.
5. Entry to ‘Blog Bites’ Blogging Competition is FREE!
6. The closing date for submissions is midnight on Friday 4 April 2014. Late entries will not be accepted.
7. You may enter items you have already published on your blog or non-profit making website. Please do not enter blogs which have previously won a prize elsewhere or one which is currently under consideration in another blogging competition.
8. Bloggers may submit work that is currently under consideration for other prizes, but agree to inform lovefoodhatewaste@camden.nsw.gov.au immediately should they be longlisted elsewhere. Disqualification will be considered on a case by case basis, at the judges’ discretion.
9. Submissions must be original and entirely the own work of the blogger and contain no explicit content.
10. The winning blogger will be notified by Monday 14 April 2014. The winning bloggers will be announced by midday Monday 14 April 2014.
11. Entrants in this competition give permission for their works to be reproduced by print and electronic media by the competition organisers for not for profit publications, advertising and promotional purposes. Entrants will be acknowledged if their blog entry is promoted or referenced in a media release or similar.
12. All personal information gathered by the competition organisers will be used solely for the purpose of administering Project Lunchbox funded through the Love Food Hate Waste Program.
13. The winning bloggers will be requested to make themselves available for promotion of their blogs.
14. By entering, all entrants agree to abide by each and all of these terms and conditions. Any submissions that do not follow these guidelines or include the required information may be disqualified at the discretion of Camden Council without notice to or other communication with the entrant. Camden Council reserves the right to amend these terms and conditions at any time. The judges’ decision is final and no correspondence will be entered into. Entrants declare that the works provided are original.