

Victory Primary School
 214 Van guard Street
 Nelson.

Attention: Dean Schneider, Environmental Education

Hi Dean,

Thank you very much for sending me the animations your students made. I'm sorry it has taken me so long to watch them and respond with some comments. Please congratulate all the students on their hard work – I enjoyed watching their films!

Areta and the Kahawai

This is a beautiful film that tells its story incredibly well – the separate worlds of the kahawai and the land people are well realised and I was never confused over where Areta was. The detail in the animation is lovely and the students narrating the film do a great job. Congratulations!

The Firewood Collector

A fantastic "chinimation" that left me with a big smile! This is an unusual folktale which I really enjoyed. I may stay home from work tomorrow and see if the treasure comes to me! Beautifully narrated with a very well realised sense of location. Thank you for this film!

Tidy Kiwis

What a great rap! Loved the rhyming and the way the story of respecting your school is told. Go Victory School!

Put it in da bin

Great to see films from children about respecting the world we all live in. This is a great explanation of why the EnviroSchools programme is so important and why it works!

I hope that these students will continue to explore their world and discuss it through the medium of film. Please let the children and teachers know about the nationwide youth film festivals like *Outlook for Someday* and *Inspiring Stories* which give filmmakers a chance to have their work seen nationally.

Best wishes,



Lisa Chatfield
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 New Zealand Film Commission.