# GRAFFITI HURTS EVERYONE

# WORKING AS A COMMUNITY TO HELP STAMP OUT GRAFFITI

Graffiti is a highly destructive problem which affects the entire community. It has damaging economic, social and environmental consequences and costs many millions of dollars each year to police and clean up. Every dollar spent on graffiti removal is a dollar that could be used in other positive ways in our community.



### HOW STUDENTS CAN HELP

Your child will be exploring the issues of graffiti in an educational presentation. Delivered by leading educationalists Warner Youth Education, the Graffiti Education program informs young people about the legal, social and personal consequences of graffiti. It encourages them to be part of the solution by developing a sense of civic pride.



## **HOW PARENTS CAN HELP**



Encourage your child to discuss with you and others what they learned in the presentation.

Encourage your children to become involved in a range of city wide youth activities and projects. For information contact Council's Youth Development Team visibleink.org.

# UNDERSTAND GRAFFITI LAWS



Tough graffiti laws in Queensland give police special powers to search, arrest, fine or charge you. Penalties range from community services and/or compensation and can include:

- Marking property without owner's consent -Jail term of up to 7 years imprisonment
- Possession of graffiti implement -Fine of up to \$2,277 or 1 year imprisonment



See someone doing graffiti? Contact Queensland Police Service by phoning: 131 444 Know someone who is responsible for graffiti?

`Tag Them Back' anonymously by phoning: 1800 333 000 Report graffiti to Brisbane City Council by calling 3403 8888

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