



eco week

31st March - 4th April 2014
Our Environment, Let's Protect It!

South Dublin County Council Environmental Services & Libraries
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Welcome to South Dublin County Council's 10th Annual Eco-Week. This week long event promoting awareness of the environment is a real favourite with schools, communities, businesses and citizens in South Dublin. To celebrate our 10th anniversary there are even more fantastic **FREE** workshops, talks, tours and events to offer.

This year the workshops and talks cover a wide variety of themes such as recycling, energy, water, biodiversity & climate change. The various events are delivered by professional, committed & enthusiastic people who care about our environment. In many cases the numbers are limited, so book early to avoid disappointment.

BOOKING INFORMATION

Bookings will **ONLY be taken from Monday 24th March 2014 onwards**. A guide to age group suitability, content and booking requirements is given beside each activity. As places are limited, they will be allocated on a first-come, first-served basis. For more information visit www.sdcc.ie

Events in Schools and Parks

To involve as many schools as possible please note that only one event per school is allowed. Apply by phone – Aisling Stafford 01 4149000, ext 6069 or Gina Lee 01 4149000, ext 2791.

Events in Libraries – Apply by phone

County Library, Tallaght	01 462 0073	Lucan Library	01 621 6422
Ballyroan Library	01 494 1900	Clondalkin Library	01 459 3315
Castletymon Library	01 452 4888	Whitechurch Library	01 493 0199
Mobile Library	01 459 7834		

For Library event queries, please phone Patricia Fitzgerald or Caroline Higgins, Development Librarians on 01 4597834.

Event for Community

See specific event for details.

Event for Businesses

See specific event for details.

ECO WEEK LAUNCH

The Mayor of South Dublin County, Dermot Looney, will launch the 10th year of Eco Week at County Hall, Tallaght on Monday 31st March at 11am in the Council Chamber. He will present prizes to the winners of the South Dublin County Council funded Garbo Anti Litter Competition "Alice in Litterland".

Official Launch by Invitation, 11am



School Events

Booking Essential – See inside front cover for details. To involve as many schools as possible please note that only one event per school is allowed.

CLEAN UP FOR WILDLIFE WITH THE ECOLOGICAL GARDENER - 1ST TO 4TH CLASS

Holly the Hedgehog has just woken up from her hibernation but what a mess she has found. Help Holly clean up her habitat. Pupils learn how litter can be harmful to local wildlife and what they can do to help.



CLEAN UP FOR WILDLIFE WITH THE ECOLOGICAL GARDENER - 5TH TO 6TH CLASS

The Ecological Gardener will focus on the effect that litter has on our native bird population. Pupils are asked to bring an empty plastic bottle with lid or empty tetra pack (milk or juice) with lid to the workshop and each pupil will construct a nest box.

Date	Time	Location
31st March – 4th April	1 day event	School

* This event runs for the week

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THE REDISCOVERY CENTRE OUTREACH SCIENCE & ENVIRONMENTAL AWARENESS WORKSHOP ON WATER - 3RD TO 6TH CLASS



Water, water everywhere and not a drop to drink! Join the Rediscovery Centre and learn about the importance of water in our everyday lives. We'll build a terrarium to demonstrate the water cycle and make water wheels to discover how we can get energy from water. We'll also play the water wasters game and find out who's a water waster and who's a water saver!

Date	Time	Location
1st April	9.30am	School
2nd April	9.30am	School
3rd April	9.30am	School
4th April	9.30am	School

TURNING THE TIDE WITH DOWN TO EARTH THEATRE COMPANY - 2ND TO 3RD CLASS

'Turning the Tide' communicates environmental messages in a fast-paced, interactive and entertaining show. Hero is a loner whose head is turned by the promise of designer goods and he becomes embroiled in the systematic destruction of his beloved beach. In advance of the show, each school receives a comprehensive workbook, designed to encourage teachers to work with the children on these themes and is filled with useful information, games, suggestions and reference points.

Date	Time	Location
31st March	10.30am	School
1st April	10.30am	School
2nd April	10.30am*	Ballyroan Library
3rd April	10.30am*	Lucan Library
4th April	10.30am*	Castletymon Library

* Max 200 children can be mixed schools

BIODIVERSITY IN THE SCHOOL YARD BY DALE TREADWELL - JUNIOR TO 6TH CLASS

Bringing environmental awareness of the wildlife that exists in your own school yard. Get tips on the creation of school wildlife gardens, based on Naturally Wild Sensory Bloom Garden of 2007 and RTE Kazoo Television series.

Date	Time	Location
1st April	1 day event	School
3rd April	1 day event	School



ECO ENERGY WATCHERS WITH ECO UNESCO - 6TH TO TRANSITION YEAR

ECO-UNESCO's Energy Watchers workshop covers the environmental issues surrounding energy production, usage and waste. This one-hour workshop consists of presentations, activities and action planning. The workshop is curriculum linked to Science and Geography at both primary and secondary level.

Date	Time	Location
31st March	12.30pm*	Lucan Library
2nd April	10.30am*	School
3rd April	10.30am*	School
4th April	10.30am*	Tallaght Library

* 1 hr class

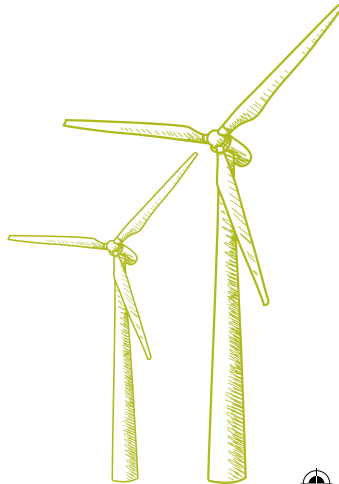
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WIND TURBINE ENERGY CONVERSION WORKSHOP WITH PADRAIG KENNY - 5TH CLASS TO 1ST YEAR

The project involves the use of a working model of a wind turbine kit that can be used both indoors and outdoors to demonstrate how wind energy can be transformed into electrical energy.

Date	Time	Location
31st March	10.30pm*	Ballyroan Library
2nd April	10.30am*	Clondalkin Library
3rd April	10.30am*	Mobile Library
4th April	10.30am*	School

* 1.5 hr class



PEOPLEPOLY PRESENTED BY BARE SOLED FOOLS - 3RD TO 4TH CLASS

Peopleopoly – the quest to inspire change. The challenge is that we need to find better ways of working together with nature to ensure a sustainable future for all. Be Aware: only those with a sense of fun need apply!!!!

Date	Time	Location
31st March	10.00am*	Tallaght Library
1st April	10.00am*	Clondalkin Library
2nd April	10.00am*	School
4th April	10.00am*	School

* 2 hr class

**HABITAT PRESENTED BY
ELIZABETH MURPHY -
JUNIOR TO 3RD CLASS**

Explore the school grounds to discover what habitats already exist there. Different habitats and their importance to our biodiversity are discussed. Natural materials will be used, in particular willow, followed by Questions and Answers. Where a green area is available we will design and plant a living willow tree habitat.

Date	Time	Location
31st March	10.30am	School



**PEDAL POWERED LAB WITH
PAUL FINCH - 3RD TO 6TH CLASS**

Using machines made from recycled scrap, Paul will demonstrate self motive power. Covering music making, wind generation, electricity production, water pumping and food processing (smoothie making).

Date	Time	Location
1st April	10.00am, 11.30am, 12.45pm 2.30pm* 4.00pm*	Ballyroan Library
3rd April	1 day event	School

* Open demonstration on library floor.

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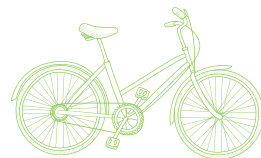
OUR ENVIRONMENT IN FOCUS WITH IRISH PEATLAND CONSERVATION COUNCIL - 1ST TO 4TH CLASS

Our Environment in Focus is a workshop on an environmental theme. The participating school can choose from water, biodiversity/wildlife, energy or waste reduction (composting) theme. Each theme will be explored with students through active learning.

Date	Time	Location
1st April	1 day event	School

GET ON YER BIKE WITH AOIFE FLYNN - 4TH TO 5TH CLASS

A one and a half hour session on sustainable transport and using transport



more wisely for our planet. Students will learn all about different types of transport and how they impact the planet. The workshops are highly interactive and linked to the National Curriculum.

Date	Time	Location
31st March	9.30am, 11.15am	Mobile Library
4th April	10.00am, 12.00pm	Lucan Library



TOUR OF BALLYMOUNT CIVIC AMENITY - ALL AGES

The Civic Amenity Centre in Ballymount is open 7 days a week for the public. You can bring a wide range of materials for recycling and also dispose of your household waste here. It's a fascinating hub of activity and tours of the centre will take place throughout Eco Week.

Date	Time	Location
1st April	11.00am*	Ballymount Civic Amenity Centre
2nd April	11.00am*	Ballymount Civic Amenity Centre

* 1 hr class

To book events in Ballymount Civic Amenity contact Eoin Buttle on 01 4621251.



GREEN ENERGY SONGS WITH ENDA REILLY - 2ND TO 4TH CLASS

Through listening to Enda's songs students learn about alternative energies. We look at biofuels, wind turbines and other Green Energies and discuss which might work better in Ireland and in other countries around the world.

Date	Time	Location
1st April	10.00am, 11.30am	Castletymon Library
2nd April	10.00am, 11.30am	Whitechurch Library
3rd April	10.00am, 11.30am	Palmerston Library

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How creative can you be? What's in your recycle bin?

THE THINGS WE USE: ENERGY, MATERIALS, FOOD & WATER WITH NATASHA KALVAS, 6TH TO TRANSITION YEAR

Discover with wonder how all the materials, food, energy and water we use, are connected with nature and people in the rest of the world. Discover with wonder how creative we can get to make things last longer and to reduce amounts used.

Date	Time	Location
31st March	10.00am, 11.30am, 12.45pm	School



ANTI LITTER CREATIVE (REDUCE, REUSE & RECYCLE) WORKSHOP PRESENTED BY ECO UNESCO - 4TH TO 6TH CLASS

Did you know you have all the materials you need at home to make a master piece? Have a look in your recycle bin – cartons, cardboard and plastic can be upcycled to make all sort of wonderful creations – you bring your imagination and we'll bring the sticky tape!

Date	Time	Location
31st March	10.00am*	ReCreate Space, Unit 8 Block K, Ballymount Drive, Ballymount Ind. Est. Dublin.
1st April	10.00am*	
2nd April	10.00am*	
3rd April	10.00am*	

* 1 hr class

To book contact Aisling Stafford 01 4149000, ext 6069
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**RECREATE ART & EDUCATION
RESOURCE STORE, RECYCLING
WORKSHOP – 1ST TO 4TH CLASS**



Workshops, using the surplus material supplied by businesses, will be delivered by professional artists and aim to encourage participants to come to ReCreate to see, to touch, to feel and understand in a new way how everyday materials that are normally thrown away can be used for art 'n' crafts.

Date	Time	Location
1st April	11.30am*	ReCreate Space,
2nd April	11.30am*	Unit 8 Block K,
3rd April	11.30am*	Ballymount Drive,
4th April	11.30am*	Ballymount Ind.
		Est. Dublin.

* 1 hr class

To book contact Aisling Stafford 01 4149000, ext 6069 or Gina Lee 01 4149000, ext 2791

**MATHS TRAIL IN CORKAGH PARK,
ATTENDANCE BY INVITE ONLY.**

The Mayor Dermot Looney will launch the Maths Trail in Corkagh



Park along with 500 students from 8 schools around Clondalkin. Looking at Clondalkin through Mathematical Eyes is a community initiative to develop the maths eyes of the community in Clondalkin so that everyone can appreciate the many ways we use maths each day.

Teachers, students and members of the public can download the math's trail from the Council website www.sdcc.ie and also from the Have You Got Maths Eyes website www.haveyougotmathseyes.com

Date	Time	Location
4th April	10.30am – 12.30pm	Corkagh Park, Meeting Room

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HUMAN POWERED CINEMA PRESENTED BY GAVIN HARTE - SECONDARY SCHOOLS ONLY

Climate change and energy security are two of the most significant challenges facing Irish society. Raising awareness and understanding of climate change and energy security is more important than ever. Re:Cycle Human Power Station gives people that awareness. It allows the audience to directly interact with the electricity they produce. Re:Cycle Human Power Station uses 6 bikes and 12 legs to power an inspiring and educational presentation on climate change and energy that will leave the audience breathless!!

Date	Time	Location
4th April	All day event	School



PURE ANIMATION - SECONDARY SCHOOLS

PURE South Animation focuses on illegal dumping, fly-tipping, litter, recycling and pollution, through the medium of stop motion animation. Ian Davis, Pure Project Manager, will give participants an opportunity to view a selection of the Pure Animation Shorts and facilitate an open discussion on environmental issues.

Date	Time	Location
2nd April	12.00pm (2hrs)	Rua Red, Tallaght

To book contact Aisling Stafford 01 4149000, ext 6069 or Gina Lee 01 4149000, ext 2791

PURE ANIMATION - SCREENING OF SHORT FILMS!

Throughout the week see the screening of PURE Animation 'shorts' including award winning McTrash in the foyer of South Dublin County Council, County Hall, Town Centre, Tallaght.

Date	Time	Location
31st March - 4th April	Throughout day	County Hall, Tallaght

** This event runs for the week 31st March - 4th April*

Community Events

Booking Essential – See inside front cover for details.

FROM SHOW GARDENS TO REAL GARDENS, TALK BY OLIVER SHURMANN.

This is a talk on garden design – sharing the experience of how show gardens influence the public and how real gardens evolve from these inspirations. Oliver's broad knowledge of plants enables him to create detailed and diverse planting schemes, with the aim of achieving a well balanced plant mix resulting in sustainability and low maintenance, always with the ecological approach in mind.

Date	Time	Location
2nd April	7.00pm (1.5hrs)	Ballyroan Library

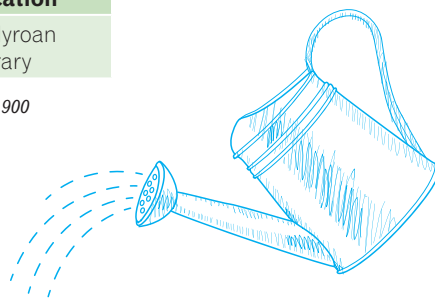
To book contact Ballyroan Library 01 4941900

“ALL GARDENING IS A LANDSCAPE PAINTING”, TALK BY JUNE BLAKE.

June Blake for the last eleven years has devoted her time to creating an exciting, experimental and contemporary garden. It is set in the heart of West Wicklow in the grounds of an early Victorian steward's house and farmyard surrounded by mature trees and meadows. www.juneblake.ie

Date	Time	Location
3rd April	7.00pm (1.5hrs)	Tallaght Library

To book contact Tallaght Library 01 4620073



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WILDLIFE 'BIRDS OF PREY' PRESENTED BY AN TAISE.

Meet native birds of prey with An Taisce – the National Trust for Ireland. Come along and meet Irish birds of prey at close quarters! A fun, educational event for all the family. A chance to interact with and learn about some of our most iconic wildlife, including barn owls, eagles and more. An Taisce will be in Corkagh Park from 11.00 am until 4.00 pm so feel free to drop by and meet some of Ireland's amazing wildlife.

Date	Time	Location
31st March	11.00am	Corkagh Park

To book contact Aisling Stafford 01 4149000, ext 6069 or Gina Lee 01 4149000, ext 2791

CLIMATE CHANGE AND BIODIVERSITY WORKSHOP WITH LEIF BARRY

Leif uses nature photography to increase awareness on the effects of climate change. His photography focuses on Native Irish Flora and Fauna and how climate change is and will continue to affect Biodiversity and how we can play our part in environmental conservation.

Date	Time	Location
3rd April	1.30pm (2 hrs)	Collinstown Community School

To book contact Aisling Stafford 01 4149000, ext 6069 or Gina Lee 01 4149000, ext 2791





LANDSCAPE AND NATURE PHOTOGRAPHY WORKSHOP, TOMMY KEOGH.

Capture the interesting and diverse features of Corkagh Park in the company of local photographer Tommy Keogh. This former estate parkland with rolling landscapes, fishing lake and wildlife is one of the hidden treasures of South Dublin County. This photography workshop is aimed at people of all abilities.

Date	Time	Location
2nd April	10.30am (2 hrs)	Corkagh Park

To book contact Aisling Stafford 01 4149000, ext 6069 or Gina Lee 01 4149000, ext 2791

CCRI "UPCYCLING IN YOUR GARDEN" CONTAINER GARDENING WITH A DIFFERENCE!

Are you interested in growing your own fruit, vegetables or herbs but don't have the space? Do you have the space but want to start small? Then this workshop will help get you growing.



Using recycled containers, mainly from recycled kitchen appliances, we'll show you how to create your own very manageable mini-garden. You'll be amazed at how easy it is.

Date	Time	Location
1st April	1.30pm (1.5 hrs)	Fettercairn Community Garden
2nd April	1.30pm (1.5 hrs)	St Marks Youth & Family Centre
3rd April	1.30pm (1.5 hrs)	Brookfield Community Garden

To book – Fettercairn Community Garden 01 4527011, St Marks Youth & Family Centre 01 4149000 ext 6069 or 2791 and Brookfield Community Centre 01 4522533

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“ACTING LOCAL THINKING GLOBAL” PRESENTED BY TRÓCAIRE.

South Dublin County Council in collaboration with Trócaire are hosting a workshop on local action making a global impact. Participants will engage in conversations and exploration on global and local issues around soil, water, seed and food production.

Date	Time	Location
3rd April	10.00am (3 hrs)	Áras Chronain, Clondalkin

To book contact Sandra Hickey 01 4149000, ext 3346
or Maria Finn 01 4149000, ext 3366

GREEN DOG WALKERS PROMOTION

The Green
Dog Walkers
Programme
is an initiative



in the fight against dog litter. The programme is a positive, friendly way to change attitudes about dog fouling. Sign up to become a Green Dog Walker and receive your FREE Arm Band and Green Bone with bags.

For further information see www.socialcredits.ie or contact Gina Lee at 4149000 ext 2791 or glee@sdblincoco.ie.

Date	Time	Location
1st April	2.00pm – 4.00pm	Corkagh Park, Clondalkin
2nd April	2.00pm – 4.00pm	Griffeen Park, Lucan
3rd April	2.00pm – 4.00pm	Tymon Park, Tallaght

STOP FOOD WASTE CHALLENGE

Stop Food Waste are challenging Irish households to reduce their food waste by 1/4. Take up this challenge and you waste less food and save as much as €60 each month. Learn the different ways to reduce our food waste and there are 5 easy challenges to help you.

Date	Time	Location
2nd April	11.00am (2 hrs)	Dominic's Community Centre

To book contact Dominic's Community Centre 01 4590770

STOP FOOD WASTE - INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, TALLAGHT

Students of Institute of Technology Tallaght Culinary Arts enter the Stop Food Waste Challenge Competition and come up with ideas of how to reduce waste.



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PHOTO WALK WITH AN ECO-EYE, CREATESCHOOL.

A Photo Walk: (for the uninitiated) is a two hour session where participants ranging from complete beginners to budding photographers come along to the Rua Red Arts Centre to learn about some photography theory and then put that theory into practice on a guided walk of the local area. By including the natural and created environs as subjects, the Photo Walk will concentrate on eco awareness. We have a number of cameras available or you can use your own.

Date	Time	Location
31st March	10.00am (3 hrs)	Sean Walsh Park
1st April	10.00am (3 hrs)	Sean Walsh Park

To book contact Aisling Stafford 01 4149000, ext 6069 or Gina Lee 01 4149000, ext 2791

POWERSAVVY, ENERGY ACTION LTD. – SELECTED HOUSEHOLDS

Through Local Tidy Town groups, 40 households will be installed with energy monitoring equipment. This information will then be analysed, and a report given to each home to let them know how they rate and what improvements they can do to make their homes more Powersavvy.

Date	Time	Location
31st March – 4th April	Morning installation	Selected households

* This event runs for the week 31st March – 4th April



Business Events

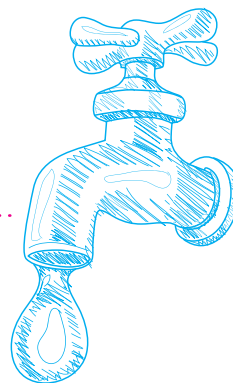
WEEE TO WORK COLLECTION DAY AND EXHIBITION

Clondalkin Community Recycling Initiative (CCRI) is having a work-based collection day for all waste electrical and electronic equipment (WEEE). Anything with a plug or a battery will be accepted. Batteries will also be collected on the day. Collection points will be set up in the car park and lobby of the Council offices in Tallaght. Sponsored by WEEE Ireland.

Date	Time	Location
3rd April	10.00am – 4.00pm	Car Park & Foyer County Hall, Tallaght

WATER CONSERVATION AT HOME. 'EASY FIXES AND LONG TERM SOLUTIONS'

This is a great time to get some tips on conserving water in the home. Water Save will show some practical ways to reduce your water usage.



Date	Time	Location
2nd April	12.30pm (1 hr)	Training Room County Hall, Tallaght

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THE SQUARE TALLAGHT GOES GREEN!



The Square, Tallaght celebrates Eco Week 2014. Visit the information stands, join in the eco activities and learn how to reduce waste, save energy and use less water.

There are competitions and information available throughout the week and the Square launches its Eco Car stations

Call in to the Square Tallaght - it's a Green Hub for Eco Week.

Date	Time	Location
31st March – 4th April	12.00 – 2.00pm	Central Mall, The Square, Tallaght

** This event runs for the week 31st March – 4th April and there is no booking necessary*

SMILES, NETWORKING EVENT

smile :-)

Resource Exchange

This is a FREE business event that encourages the sharing and exchanging of resources in order to reduce costs and help the environment and is based on the concept that "one's waste could be another's resource". At the event you will have the opportunity to:

- Visit our show case area
- Network with other businesses
- Identify potential synergies

Date	Time	Location
3rd April	7.30am – 12.30pm	Tallaght Stadium

To book contact Aisling Stafford 01 4149000, ext 6069 or Gina Lee 01 4149000, ext 2791 or register at www.smileexchange.ie