

**OUR ENVIRONMENT,
LET'S PROTECT IT!**



eco week

22nd to 26th April 2013



Welcome to South Dublin County Councils 9th Annual Eco-Week where celebrating the environment and all it has to offer is encouraged and helpful hints supplied on how we can live in harmony with mother nature, through workshops, talks, exhibitions, pop-up eco-shops and guided tours.

Eco-Week is a great opportunity for everyone to learn more about the environment and how our actions impact on our local area after all it is **“Our Environment: Where we work and live”**. Eco-Week aims to empower householders in South Dublin County to engage in sustainable activities that will help green our County. This year everyone is being asked to help “Tackle Litter” by picking up a piece litter in their area, lets see what we can do to help our green patch. You can also spread the word by passing on the Tackle Litter video on youtube.

BOOKING INFORMATION

Bookings will **only be taken from Monday 15th April 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 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 01 493 0199

For any other enquiries please phone Patricia Fitzgerald or Caroline Higgins, Development Librarians on 01 459 7834.

FOR 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 contact Aisling Stafford 01 414 9000, ext 4232 or Sorcha O'Brien 01 414 9000, ext 4288.

EVENT IN BALLYMOUNT CIVIC AMENITY

To book events in Ballymount Civic amenity contact Eoin Buttle on 01 462 1251.



ECO WEEK LAUNCH

Eco Week will be launched by the Mayor of South Dublin County Cathal King, at County Hall, Tallaght on Monday 22nd April at 11am with the presentation of prizes for winners of the South Dublin County Council funded Garbo Anti Litter Competition – “The Co Co Nuts” South Dublin County Anti-litter School kids Task Force.

Official Launch by Invitation, 11am

ECO WEEK EVENTS IN SCHOOLS

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‘RECYCLE MAGIC’ PRESENTED BY KANDO ARTS

A 45 minute fast paced interactive show for primary schools that uses magic and puppets to entertain and educate children about recycling, anti-litter and energy conservation. The show promotes caring for our environment by making recycling part of our lifestyle.

➤ **Monday 22nd April**
9.30 am, 11.30 & 1:30 pm
2nd to 4th Class
Booking Essential

➤ **Tuesday 23rd April**
9.30 am, 11.30
2nd to 4th Class
Booking Essential



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Events in Schools





GREEN ENERGY SONGS WORKSHOPS WITH ENDA REILLY

Through listening to Enda's songs students learn about alternative energies while expressing what they feel about these topics through drawings and discussion. Exploring questions like, "Where does all our Energy come from?" and, "Why is some energy greener than other energy" we discover, sing and talk about fossil fuels and why they are damaging the world. We look at biofuels, wind turbines

and other Green Energies and discuss which might work better in Ireland and which might work better in other countries around the world. Students come up with ideas of what should be done and what they can do to help.



Available Tuesday 23rd to Thursday 25th April

10am to 12 Noon

Primary schools from 3rd to 6th class or secondary schools first year.

Max number: class size

Booking Essential

THE THINGS WE USE: ENERGY, MATERIALS, FOOD & WATER WITH NATASHA KALVAS

Discover with wonder how the materials, food, energy and water that we all use, are connected with nature and with people from around the World. Where in nature is all this stuff found? What are the stories behind making stuff? Discover wonderful ways to let stuff last longer by reusing and upcycling. Natasha links learning with memorable games, stories, drama, movement, upcycled objects, debate and film. Includes inspiring Irish examples of Reduce, Reuse & Recycle all families can adopt.



Available Tuesday 23rd to Friday 26th April

Full school day – Primary schools

Max number: class size

Booking Essential



BIO

ECO WEEK EVENTS IN LIBRARIES

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.



- **County Library Tallaght**
Thursday 25th April
10am–11.15am
Age: 1st to 4th class
Max number: class size
Booking Essential

- **Castletymon Library**
Tuesday 23rd April
Time: 10am–11.15am
Age: 1st to 4th class
Max number: class size
Booking Essential

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

The Ecological Gardener will focus on the effect that litter has on our native bird population through eating food waste, plastic and injuries from tin cans, and broken glass. 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.



Ballyroan Library
Wednesday 24th April

Time: 10am-11.15am Age: 5th & 6th class

Booking Essential

OUR THIRSTY WORLD - INTERACTIVE SEMINAR WITH RICHENDA GARLAND

Having enough water to grow food for the planet is the biggest environmental challenge facing the world today. Environmental Scientist Richenda Garland examines the world's distribution of this finite resource. This thought-provoking seminar finishes with a fun virtual water quiz.



Mobile Library
Monday 22nd April

10.30am

(Class Visit)

Age 10-12 years

Max number:

class size

Booking Essential

Contact The Mobile

Library Service

01-4597834



Clondalkin Library
Tuesday 23rd April

10.30am

(Class Visit)

Age 10-12 years

Max number:

class size

Booking Essential





POLLINATOR PROJECT WITH DALE TREADWELL

The world as we know it depends on Pollinating Insects such as Butterflies and Bees join RTE's Nature Guy Dale Treadwell on a quest to improve our local areas as he demonstrates how to create a pollinator garden in your library.

Booking Essential for all libraries:

- **Lucan Library**
Monday 22nd April
9.45am, 11am, 12.15pm,
(1st to 6th Class)
- **Whitechurch Library**
Tuesday 23rd April
9.45am, 11am, 12.15pm
(1st to 6th Class)
- **County Library Tallaght**
Wednesday 24th April
9.45am, 11am, 12.15pm
(1st to 6th Class)
- **Clondalkin Library**
Thursday 25th April
9.45am, 11am, 12.15pm
(1st to 6th Class)
3 pm (All welcome but
booking essential)
- **Ballyroan Library**
Friday 26th April
9.45am, 11am, 12.15pm
(1st to 6th Class)





ECO ARTS & CRAFTS AT LIBRARIES

- Putting paper in the frame

Join in the anti litter, eco art and crafts fun. See how you can reduce, reuse and recycle your old books and magazines. Personalise a photo frame with words, slogans or pictures. Yvonne combines imagination with reusable good to create something new and useful for the participants to take home.



Whitechurch Library

Monday 22nd April

2pm - Adult education

Booking Essential



BIRDS AND THEIR ENVIRONMENT WITH ERIC DEMPSEY (BIRDS OF IRELAND NEWS SERVICE)

Respected and experienced tour leader, broadcaster, lecturer and speaker, Eric has hosted workshops and presentations throughout the country. He was the editor of Ireland's first independent birdwatching magazine, Irish Birding News, and a former editor of the annual Irish Bird Report. His workshop will discuss local birds and their environment and the fact that birds are key indicators of changes in habitat, climate and pollution levels.



Whitechurch Library

Thursday 25th April

2pm - Adult education

Booking Essential





ECO-UNESCO BIODIVERSITY WORKSHOP

Eco-Unesco biodiversity workshop aims to raise awareness amongst young people about the importance of, and provide practical options for, promoting biodiversity. It specifically aims to enable young people to develop an understanding of biodiversity, to explore the concept of interconnectedness in the natural world and to explore the positive and negative effects of human activity on the natural environment. This workshop will empower young people to act in a more environmentally responsible manner and help them to carry out an action to promote biodiversity in their locality using creative recycling (e.g. construct bird-feeders, plant native plant species from recycled materials). Pupils are asked to bring a piece of waste to the workshop.



County Library, Tallaght

Monday 22nd April

10am–11.30am

Transition Year Students. 1 Class Max
(30 students)

Booking Essential

Castletymon Library

Thursday 25th April

10am–11.30am

Transition Year Students. 1 Class Max
(30 students)

Booking Essential



ECO WEEK EVENTS IN PARKS

LANDSCAPE AND NATURE PHOTOGRAPHY WORKSHOP

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.



➤ **Corkagh Park (Meeting beside Pet Farm) *Tuesday 23rd April***

10.30am to 12.30am

Adults. All welcome but **Booking Essential** as places are limited to 20 participants maximum.

ACTING LOCAL, THINKING GLOBAL

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.

➤ **Interpreter Centre, Corkagh Park, Clondalkin
*Thursday 25th April 2013***

11.00 am to 1.00 pm

Adults

Max attendance: 20

Contact Person: Anne Garvey, Tel: 087 418 4145
or email garveyanne3@gmail.com





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. To book your place at this event contact: Aisling Stafford on 01 4149000 ext 4232.

➤ **Fettercairn Community Gardens**
Tuesday 23rd April

1:30pm – 3pm

All welcome but **Booking Essential** as places are limited to 20 participants maximum

➤ **St. Marks Youth & Family Centre**
Wednesday 24th April

1:30pm – 3pm

All welcome but **Booking Essential** as places are limited to 20 participants maximum

➤ **Brookfield Community Garden**
Thursday 25th April

1:30pm – 3pm

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ECO WEEK EVENTS IN COUNTY HALL

GREEN BUSINESS POP-UP SHOPS

The Square Shopping Centre in Tallaght is turning into an Eco Village for Eco Week, with a wide display of Green Businesses with products and services.

From beauty products to energy saving devices, come along and support small local enterprise that is doing it bit for the local economy as well as the environment. Shop Local, Sustainably!



➤ **The Square Shopping centre**
Tuesday - Thursday
23rd - 25th April

10am - 4pm

All welcome





SMILE RESOURCE EXCHANGE

“One man’s trash is another man’s treasure”. We are very excited to announce that South Dublin will be holding the very first SMILE Resource Exchange event in 2013, for businesses and community groups in South Dublin and beyond. SMILE Resource Exchange is a free service that encourages the exchanging of resources between its members in order to save money, reduce waste going to landfill and to develop new business opportunities. Potential exchanges are identified through networking events, an online exchange facility and a support team to assist throughout. Come along to this exciting morning of learning and exchange, you never know what you may find or who you might meet. To book your place at this event contact: 01 436 1864 or info@smileexchange.ie. For more information on SMILE Resource Exchange, go to www.smileexchange.ie



Tallaght stadium *Thursday 25th April*

Starts: 9am **All welcome**

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ECO WEEK EVENT AT BALLYMOUNT

TOUR OF BALLYMOUNT CIVIC AMENITY

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. Come along you'll be surprised to find out what happens to your waste and recyclables.

- **Ballymount Civic Amenity, Ballymount Avenue,
Off Walkinstown Roundabout
*Tuesday 23rd April***

11am – 12 pm (Class Visit) All Ages

Booking Essential

- ***Wednesday 24th April***

11am – 12 pm
(Class Visit) All Ages

Booking Essential





THE GLOBAL GARDEN EXHIBITION

We live in an increasingly interdependent and rapidly changing world. Our actions here in South Dublin have global impacts. Climate change affects all of us. Vulnerable people in developing countries are being hit the hardest. Those who have the least means to cope with it are suffering the most. Irish NGO Trócaire supports people in developing countries to adapt their livelihood's to survive and better cope with the

changing climate. The Global Garden in Corkagh Park together with Trócaire is working to help people to understand the changes we need to make to reduce the impacts of climate change.



County Hall Foyer

Monday - Friday 22nd - 26th April

All welcome

WEEE TO WORK COLLECTION DAY AND EXHIBITION

This is an exciting recycling opportunity for all employees of South Dublin County Council and local businesses. Clondalkin Community Recycling Initiative (CCRI) is having a work-based collection day for all waste electrical and electronic equipment (WEEE). All employees are invited to participate. Anything with a plug or a battery will be accepted, from battery-operated kids' toys to TVs to American-style fridge-freezers. Batteries will also be collected on the day, just bag or box them and bring them along. Collection points will be set up in the car park and lobby of the county offices in Tallaght. Help will be on hand for extracting heavier appliances from boots of cars, etc. Get recycling and let's make this a WEEE day to remember! Sponsored by WEEE Ireland.



Collection Car Park County Hall Tallaght & Exhibition in Foyer County Hall Tallaght **Wednesday 24th April**

10am-4.00pm **All welcome** Follow us on www.twitter.com/sdublincoco



SOUTH DUBLIN COUNTY COUNCIL ENERGY PROJECT EXHIBITION

South Dublin County Council is committed to reducing its energy use and carbon dioxide emissions. The Council has a proven track record in the area of renewable technologies. Since 2005 it has developed a number of pilot projects through the new build capital works programme which test technologies such as CHP, solar thermal, photovoltaic cells and geo thermal. As part of Eco Week we are holding an exhibition of these and our refurbishment projects.

In addition we have recently launched our Draft Sustainable Energy Action Plan (SEAP) which was developed as a result of our links with the EU leadership in energy action planning (LEAP) project. The SEAP promotes 3 guiding principles – record, reduce, replace. We have measured and recorded our energy use and we will continue to reduce our energy use through improved efficiencies, building upgrades and replacing fossil fuel using technologies with more sustainable renewable and reduced carbon technologies.



County Hall Foyer

Monday 22nd – Friday 26th April

1:30pm – 3pm

All welcome



SOUTH DUBLIN SUSTAINABLE ENERGY ACTION PLAN (SEAP)



On Thursday 21st February 2013, SDCC launched on public display the Draft South Dublin Sustainable Energy Action Plan (SEAP). The Draft Sustainable Energy Action Plan sets out how South Dublin County can take the lead in addressing EU and national energy reduction targets to 2020. The SEAP has been undertaken in partnership with the Town and Country Planning Association (TCPA) and eight other local authorities across the EU, as part of the Leadership for Energy Action and Planning (LEAP) programme. The South Dublin SEAP has also been prepared with input from the Sustainable Energy Authority of Ireland

(SEAI) and City of Dublin Energy Management Agency (CODEMA). The South Dublin SEAP analyses the County's energy consumption and carbon dioxide (CO₂) emissions and sets out how South Dublin County can reduce consumption and CO₂ emissions, in line with 2020 energy targets, through a range of energy actions. SEAP actions aim to make South Dublin an energy efficient, low carbon County, by focusing on improved recording and analysis of energy data, improved efficiency in buildings, facilities and operations across all sectors, energy reduction in the transport sector, and increasing the level of energy generated from renewable sources.

To view / download the documents that make up the Draft South Dublin SEAP visit: www.southdublinenergy.ie.

Further information is available from the South Dublin Energy Team energyteam@sdblincoco.ie or 01-4149000 ext. 2389.

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TALLAGHT IT GOES GREEN

The Institute of Technology Tallaght will be holding its first “Green Week” during Eco-Week 2013. The aim of the week will be to raise awareness of environmental issues, focusing on the recycling facilities on the campus and tackling cigarette butt litter. We will be in the foyer by reception all week so if you have any ideas of what we can put on our green agenda just drop along and give us your suggestions.



Main building

All Week

All Welcome

Contact: ITT Student Union



www.sdcc.ie —
South Dublin County Council's
website, 01 414 9000

Ballymount Civic Amenity,
01 462 1251, Open 7 days a week

www.taptips.ie

www.stopfoodwaste.ie

www.greenhome.ie

www.greenbusiness.ie

www.greenschoolsireland.org

www.sdchamber.ie

www.askaboutireland.ie

www.ccri.ie

www.nationalspringclean.ie

www.naturallywild.ie

www.endareillys.com

www.littlebigtop.info

www.livingmosaic.info

www.kandoarts.net

www.tidytowns.ie



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www.youtube.com/watch?v=t3T6TYed0m4

KEEP SOUTH DUBLIN CLEAN

Avoid a FINE

South Dublin, a litter-free County.

