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EcoEducation Opportunities for Secondary Schools 2005



An Invitation to Society & Environment, and Science teachers to join in our EcoEducation programs!

The Hills Forest
Discovery Centre
Nature's base Centre

Dear Colleague,

After 12 successful years and 145,000 participants in our programs, we are planning another year of great opportunities for teachers and students at The Hills Forest Discovery Centre. Our programs help to fulfil outcomes of the Curriculum Framework across all learning areas, particularly Society & Environment and Science and the core values of *Environmental Responsibility* and *Social & Civic Responsibility*.

Great opportunities

1) World Environment Day

Celebrate on 3 June with us by taking part in special activities and animal encounters.

2) Overnight PD – Be a Nature Conservation Officer for a Night

20–21 May

Take part in the Department of Conservation and Land Management's (CALM's) threatened species monitoring program and receive free curriculum-linked resources for school.

3) Biodiversity Month

All our programs promote the conservation of biodiversity. Join us and the wildflowers during this month. Each class booking into our *Back from the Brink* excursion will win a free Bush Book for their library.

4) Camp and include a Bush Tucker Supper

Stay in our safe and shady campsite and take part in our curriculum-linked daytime activities.

Enjoy a session with our Nyoongar leaders, make damper and eat a kangaroo supper.

5) Download our resource packs from NatureBase

All the resource packs are available from the 'For Schools' section of CALM's NatureBase website at www.naturebase.net.

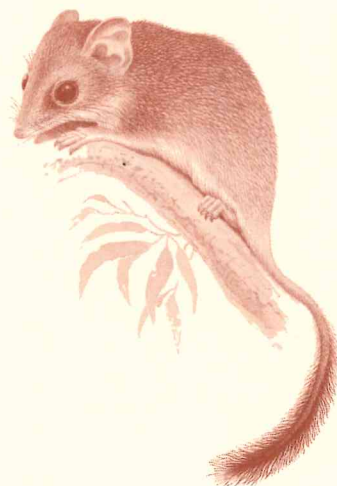
For bookings call us on 9295 6149 or 9295 6300 or email ecoeducation@calm.wa.gov.au.

Places are already filling fast so book soon.

We hope to see you in the forest!

Liz Moore
Senior EcoEducation Officer

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Society & Environment, and Science Secondary school teachers



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1. Back from the Brink

Recommended for Years 8 and 9

Provides: An excursion as part of our threatened species program supported by PD days and resources for the classroom. The focus is on the *Western Shield* recovery program. Students gain hands-on experience in trapping techniques and research methods. The day includes encounters with unique native fauna.

Cost: \$6.60 per student (this includes free resources for use in the classroom).

2. Geography/Biology

Recommended for Years 11 and 12

Provides: Can include the history and importance of the jarrah forest, forest management issues, interrelationships between climate, adaptations of flora and fauna, animal encounter session and human impact on the forest.

Cost: Geography – long transect or navigational observation
\$8.80 (Monday to Friday)
Biology – short transect, or quadrat, and animal encounter
\$11 (Thursday and Friday only)

3. Aboriginal Culture Excursions

Recommended for Years 8 to 10

Provides: Forest walk, exploring traditional use of plants and animals, artefact making, ceremony and communication, all with an emphasis on student participation. Led by trained Aboriginal Education Officers.

Cost: \$8.80 per student

4. Forest ecology walks and activities

Provides: Walks and activities to suit your needs (eg. focusing on forest management issues, human impact, plants, birds of prey, spiders, reptiles, invertebrates etc).

Cost: Varies according to your needs.

5. School camps

Provides: Camping at The Hills Forest, Patens Brook campsite or Youth Hostel

Cost: \$4.40 per student, \$8.80 per adult per night, or \$110 main campground - up to 35 people, or \$165 includes overflow area - up to 65 people (The Hills Forest)
\$5 per person per night (Patens Brook campsite)
\$13 per student per night, \$19 per adult per night (Youth Hostel)

6. PD camp – Be a Nature Conservation Officer for a Night

Cost: \$55 inc accommodation, meals and resources (\$44 for STAWA members)

When: 5pm Friday 20 May to 12.30pm Saturday 21 May

NB: All prices include 10 per cent GST which can be reclaimed from all curriculum-based activities. Minimum of 25 students per group. Group sizes are limited to the Department of Education and Training's recommended class sizes.



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BOOKINGS/ENQUIRIES:

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