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Wellington Discovery Forest EcoEducation Opportunities 2002

The Wellington Discovery Forest's EcoEducation Programs help to fulfil outcomes of the Curriculum Framework. Using "the forest" as a theme, the resources and activities can be used across all learning areas, particularly society and environment, science, English and technology and enterprise. They address the core values of environmental responsibility as well as social and civic responsibility.



1) Discovering Wellington Forest

For Middle Childhood

(Recommend Years 5, 6, 7, 8)

Provides: PD, resource package and an excursion that explores the jarrah forest ecosystem
Excursion cost: \$6.60 per student

2) Threatened Species Program

For Middle Childhood/ Early Adolescence

(Recommend Years 6, 7, 8, 9)

Provides: PD, Western Shield Action Pack and other resources. A *Back from the Brink* excursion includes hands-on research methods, animal encounter and entry to a draw for a free excursion
Excursion cost: \$6.60 per student

3) Ecosystem Explorers

For Middle Childhood

(Recommend Years 5, 6, 7)

Provides: Pd, notes for pre-visit activities and mural study. Excursion activities in the Ecology Zone of the forest. Focus on *time*, *continuity* and *change* of the forest.
Excursion cost: \$6.60 per student

4) Biodiversity's Base - Incredible invertebrates

For Middle Childhood NEW!!

(Recommend Years 3, 4, 5)

Provides: PD, resources and notes for pre-visit activities. Excursion activities along the jarrah trail. Find, magnify and study amazing macrobeasts that maintain forest biodiversity. Available from May.
Excursion cost: \$6.60 per student

5) Busy in the Forest

For Early Childhood

(Recommend PP to Year 3)

Provides: Resource package, *A Forest is a Very Busy Place*. Excursion which includes a sensory trail, blindfold rope-walk and 'treasure' trail, and animal encounter.
Excursion cost: \$6.60 per student

6) The Total Forest Trail

For Early and Late Adolescence

(Recommend Year 10, 11, 12)

Provides: Excursion includes a challenging walk and activities that explores how the jarrah forest is managed to meet people's needs.
Excursion cost: \$6.60 per student



7) Geography/Ecosystem Biology

*For Late Adolescence and Early Adulthood
(Recommend Year 10, 11, 12)*

Provides: Worksheets and notes for pre-visit work. Excursion activities that explore the jarrah forest sclerophyllous ecosystem.

Excursion cost: \$6.60 per student

8) Special Events

- **World Environment Day:** 5 June. \$50.00 voucher for excursions on this day.
- **Threatened Species Day:** 7 September. PD with a focus on threatened species. \$50.00 voucher - prize for a *Back from the Brink* excursion.
- **Science week:** 17 to 25 August. Special event for biology students to be announced.
- **Biodiversity Month:** September. Special rate of \$5.50 for all excursions. Come and discover the biodiversity of our forests. While on camp take part in the Great Australian Marsupial Night Stalk.



While on camp:

Monitoring Marsupials

Year 6, 7, all Secondary NEW!!

Provides: A unique opportunity to be part of Western Shield research, set traps, check them next morning, meet and measure marsupials. 1 hour session morning and afternoon while on camp in May or September. Limited offer, so book early. Limited to 20 students per group.

Session cost: \$4.40 per student

Sense-ational NightLife

Years 5,6,7, all Secondary NEW!!

Provides: Students will recognise the interdependence of life forms as the forest comes alive after dark. This session includes the Sense-ational Trail. 1.5 hour session starting at 7.30pm.

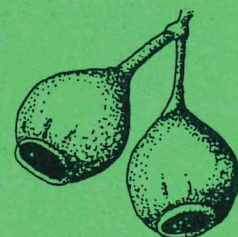
Session cost: \$3.30 per student

Sleeper Cutter's Life

For all Learning Levels NEW!!

Provides: A 1.5 hour interactive session of the history of the local timber industry and way of life of a sleeper cutter. Presented by Mark Paget, grandson of a Wellington Mill forester.

Free Session: May be arranged during a school camp. Limited offer so book well in advance.



10) Camp at Wellington Mill Cottages

Provides: 8 cottages, each accommodating 8 people

Cost: Rates vary: \$9 to \$13 pp, Hall hire \$33.00
5% discount for groups booked for activities at WDF

Enquiries: Tel/Fax (08) 9728 3043

NB All costs quoted here include 10% GST. This can be claimed for all curriculum-based activities.

NB In order to cover some of our costs we request a minimum of 25 students per group or equivalent payment.

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