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Bookings and enquiries

The Hills Forest Discovery Centre
Henderson Environmental Centre
John Forrest National Park

Ph: 9295 6149 or 9295 6300, fax: 9295 3247,
email: ecoeducation@calm.wa.gov.au

Duration

Most excursions run for four hours (from 10am to 2pm).
Biodiversity activities run for one or two hours.

Cost

See summary. All listed costs include 10 per cent GST, which can be reclaimed as activities are curriculum linked.

We are a not-for-profit government organisation and will require minimum payment, per group, as follows:

Pre-primary: 20 students
Years 1-3: 23 students
Years 4-12: 25 students

Cheques are payable to:

Department of Conservation and Land Management.

Confirmations

A confirmation letter will be forwarded to you on finalising your booking.

Cancellations

Please confirm any cancellation in writing at least one week before your visit, otherwise we request a cancellation fee.

Overseas and interstate bookings

Separate charges apply for overseas and interstate students. Please contact us for further information.

Wellington Discovery Forest,
Margaret River Eco Discovery Centre

Ph: 9734 1986, fax: 9734 4539, email: wdf@calm.wa.gov.au

Dryandra Woodland Ecology Centre

Ph: 9881 9200, fax: 98811645, email: tricias@calm.wa.gov.au

Find out more

Teachers can find out more about CALM's EcoEducation programs at www.naturebase.net/schools or contact us to be placed on our mailing list for our electronic Statewide or South West newsletter.

The Hills Forest Discovery Centre and the Henderson Environmental Centre are smoke-free zones.

EcoEducation Programs

Primary School students 2005



EcoEducation - pathways
for youth action in
biodiversity conservation

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CALM's EcoEducation programs

The Department of Conservation and Land Management (CALM), in partnership with the community, has the task of conserving Western Australia's biodiversity, and managing the lands and waters entrusted to it.

The area managed is a significant portion of the State, including national parks, State forests, nature reserves, marine parks and timber reserves. It is a large task and one that requires the awareness, understanding and involvement of schools and the wider community.

EcoEducation programs provide many opportunities for students of all ages to take part in nature-based learning. Programs have three elements, linked to the outcomes of all curriculum learning areas:

- professional development for teachers;
- classroom resources; and
- excursions or camp activities based at a number of venues in the metropolitan area and in the South West of WA.

Program content may vary between locations to accommodate the local environment.

Curriculum links

EcoEducation programs support students to understand sustainability concepts, achieve outcomes in all learning areas and develop the Cluster of Values, *Environmental Responsibility* and *Social and Civic Responsibility*. Other links are specified under each program.

All excursion activities contribute to Health & Physical Education outcomes.

Contact details for all venues are listed in the 'Bookings and enquiries' section.

Indicates resource packs that can be downloaded free from www.naturebase.net/schools.

* Indicates resource packs forwarded on booking an excursion or attending a PD.



The Hills Forest Discovery Centre

The Hills Forest Discovery Centre is set in jarrah forest two kilometres from the Mundaring Weir. EcoEducation offers a range of environmental education and Aboriginal culture programs for Kindergarten to Year 12 students. Since 1993 more than 150,000 students and teachers have been through our programs and the demand continues with many teachers returning year after year.

The Hills Forest Discovery Centre on Allens Rd (off Mundaring Weir Road) is located seven kilometres south of the Mundaring township (see map).

John Forrest National Park

A new program, *Caring for Places*, about national parks, will be offered in Term 2 at the Margaret Forrest Centre in John Forrest National Park.

The centre is located in the park on Park Road, off Great Eastern Highway, Hovea.

Henderson Environmental Centre

Set in the Star Swamp Bushland Reserve, the Henderson Environmental Centre is an excellent excursion venue for schools in the City of Stirling. Our program about threatened animals and tuart woodland ecosystems is offered to Middle School Science and Society & Environment students.

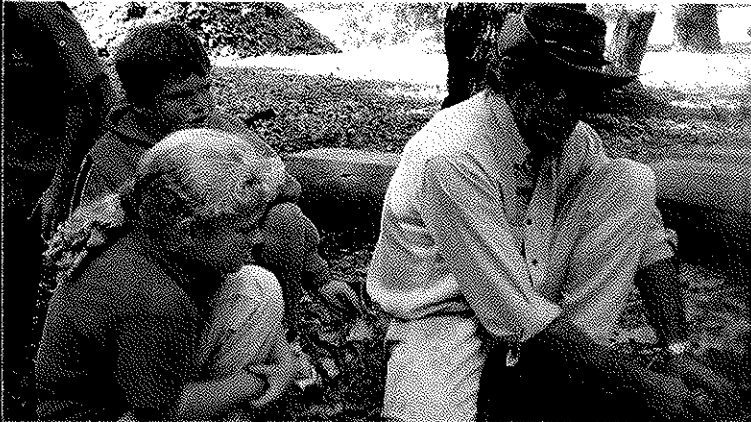


The Henderson Environmental Centre is located on the corner of Groat Street and North Beach Road, City of Stirling.

Wellington Discovery Forest

Programs held at the Wellington Discovery Forest for Kindergarten to Year 12 students are modelled on the successful programs at The Hills Forest Discovery Centre. They are available for schools in the South West and for metropolitan school groups camping at Wellington Mill.

The Wellington Discovery Centre, located in the forest, is 35 kilometres from Bunbury, close to Wellington Dam and about two-and-a-half hours drive from Perth.



Margaret River Eco Discovery Centre

Programs at the Margaret River Eco Discovery Centre (MREDC) cater for Kindergarten to Year 12 students and are also modelled on those at The Hills Forest Discovery Centre.

The Wharriccliffe Mill Forest Camp, an excellent venue for school camps, is on site at MREDC and is set in magnificent karri and jarrah forest close to the Margaret River Township.

Dryandra Woodland Ecology Centre

The Dryandra Woodland Ecology Centre offers EcoEducation's Threatened Species Program, which includes a fascinating visit to the nearby Barma Mta animal sanctuary.

The adjacent Lions Dryandra Village, near Narrogin, provides good accommodation for school camps.

1 Discovering The Hills Forest Years 6 and 7



This program explores the jarrah forest ecosystem. Students learn how to lessen their impact on the forest and its resources and why it's important.

The program includes:

- a *Discovering The Hills Forest* resource pack (#) and forest 'jigsaw' (*) for use at school;
- a *Discovering The Hills Forest* excursion—includes activities that identify the values of the forest and interdependence of forests and people; and
- a PD day in the forest (optional).

"The program offered a wonderful learning experience. The excursion activities drew all the elements of human use and impact on the forest together superbly." - Kylie

Curriculum links:

Society & Environment: ICP and Place & Space
Science: *Working Scientifically:* Investigating, Acting Responsibly
Understanding Concepts: Life and Living
English: Understanding Language, Speaking, Listening

Venues:

- The Hills Forest Discovery Centre, Wellington Discovery Forest

2 Catchment Carers' Trail Years 5, 6 and 7

This learning program about the water cycle, catchments and water resource management is part of the Water Corporation's Waterwise schools program.



The program includes:

- a *Catchment Carers' Trail* booklet (# *) for use at school;
- a *Catchment Carers' Trail* excursion—a walk trail with group activities on salinity, the water cycle, erosion, nature conservation and a tour of Mundaring Weir; and
- PD (optional).

"We've been doing this program for six years and it's still brilliant!" - Kevin

"The program was most beneficial and the excursion was of the high standard I enjoyed some years ago." - Jenny

Curriculum links:

Society & Environment: ICP; Place and Space;
Resources; Time, Continuity and Change;
Natural and Social Systems; Active Citizenship
Science: *Understanding Concepts:* Life and Living
Working Scientifically: Acting Responsibly
English: Listening



Venue:

- The Hills Forest Discovery Centre



3 Threatened Species program Years 5, 6 and 7

Back from the Brink excursion

This program raises student awareness of and action for WA's threatened species and CALM's *Western Shield* threatened species recovery project.

The program includes:

- a *Western Shield* Action Pack (# 1) and Deadly Protectors video for use at school;
- a *Back from the Brink* excursion—includes the opportunity to take part in CALM's monitoring methods, a search for animal habitats and a close encounter with threatened native animals; and
- a PD camp—*Be A Nature Conservation Officer for a Night* (optional).

"A superb program that continues to offer an ideal learning environment and effective teaching relevant to the curriculum." - Tony

Curriculum links:

Society & Environment: ICP; Place and Space; Resources; Time, Continuity and Change; Natural and Social Systems; Active Citizenship

Science: *Working Scientifically:* Investigating and Acting Responsibly;

Understanding Concepts: Life and Living

English: Understanding Language

Venues:

- The Hills Forest Discovery Centre
- Wellington Discovery Forest Margaret
- River Eco Discovery Centre
- Henderson Environmental Centre
- Dryandra Woodlands Ecology Centre



Win! A Back from the Brink excursion

Classes that complete the activities in the *Western Shield* Action Pack by 22 October can enter a draw to win an excursion in November at one of our venues.

All the details are on the registration form at the back of the pack.

Successful classes will be notified and a date arranged for the excursion in November.

Venues:

- The Hills Forest Discovery Centre
- Wellington Discovery Forest
- Margaret River Eco Discovery Centre
- Henderson Environmental Centre
- Dryandra Woodlands Ecology Centre



4 Detectives Trail Years 5, 6 and 7



This thorough and engaging program introduces students to the concept of a scientific key and methodology. Students use investigating and inquiry skills to solve a mystery.

The program includes:

- a *Forest Detectives Trail* manual (# 1) for use at school. It provides an excellent introduction to Science concepts;
- a *Forest Detectives Trail* excursion—includes a 'secret investigators' 'case briefing' session, an animal encounter and tracking an animal by identifying footprints, scats, skin and other signs along a trail; and
- PD (optional).

"The program was a fabulous-great hands-on experience. The students were full of enthusiasm and came away with a greater understanding of the need to protect our native animals and environment." - Gerard

Curriculum links:

Science: *Working Scientifically:* Investigating; Acting Responsibly;

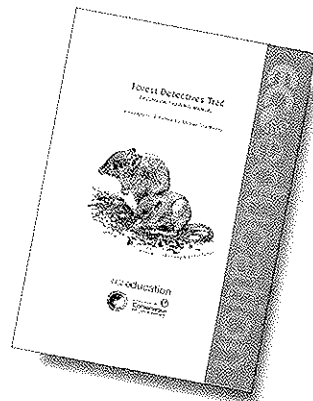
Understanding Concepts: Life and Living

Society and Environment: ICP; Place and Space; Time, Continuity and Change;

English: Understanding Language

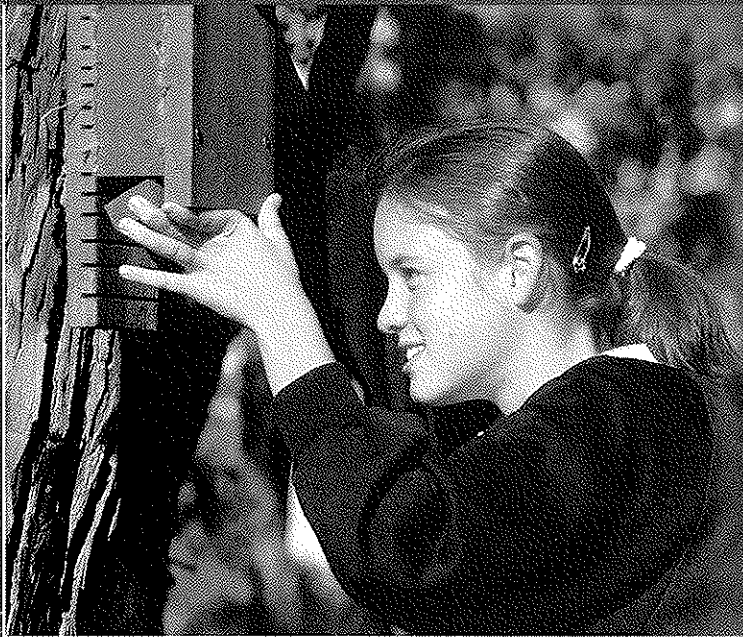
Venue:

- The Hills Forest Discovery Centre



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Bushcare Years 5, 6 and 7



Students develop bushcare skills and find out how these help sustain biodiversity. This action-packed excursion promotes a conservation code of conduct.

The program includes:

- *Bush care guidelines* (*) for use at school;
- a *Bushcare* excursion—includes practical techniques that ensure minimum impact on the natural environment; bush walk planning, water collection, navigating by compass, knots and ropes, safety and signals; and
- PD (optional).

"A wonderful excursion that contributed to the core value of Environmental Responsibility. A thoroughly enjoyable and worthwhile program." - Pete

Curriculum links:

Society & Environment: Place and Space

Science: *Working Scientifically:* Acting Responsibly

Understanding Concepts: Life and Living

English: Speaking and Listening

Venue:

- The Hills Forest Discovery Centre

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Biodiversity's Base - Incredible Invertebrates Years 4 and 5

Students learn about the role of invertebrates in the forest and their importance in maintaining biodiversity.

The program includes:

- a *Biodiversity's Base—Incredible Invertebrates* resource pack (# *) for use at school;
- a *Biodiversity's Base—Incredible Invertebrates* excursion including a search for and study of a 'mystery beast' and other amazing macro-invertebrates; and
- PD (optional).

"The whole program was so relevant to our curriculum and well put together. The children really understood the importance of invertebrates in the 'life cycle'." - Dot

Curriculum links:

Society & Environment: *Natural & Social Systems*

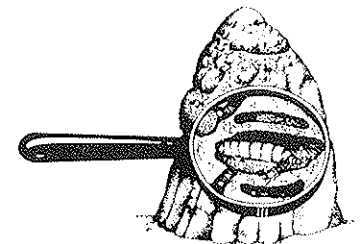
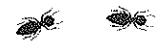
Science: *Working Scientifically:* Acting Responsibly; Communicating Scientifically;

Understanding Concepts: Life and Living;

English: Understanding Language; Processes and Strategies

Venues:

- The Hills Forest Discovery Centre
- Wellington Discovery Forest
- Margaret River Eco Discovery Centre



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Busy in the Forest Pre-primary, Years 1, 2 and 3

An Early Childhood program that introduces students to the plants and animals of the forest and its relationship with people.

The program includes:

- A forest is a very busy place resource pack (B *) for use at school;
- a Busy in the Forest excursion including a sensory blindfold rope-walk trail, a treasure trail and encounters with forest creatures; and
- PD (optional).

"Students were captivated by every aspect of this program. It had great depth and vision. Students remained on task and interested throughout the excursion. The sense-atinal trail was a real hit." - Amanda

Curriculum links:

Society & Environment: ICP; Place and Space; Resources

Science: Working Scientifically; Investigating; Acting Responsibly;

Understanding Concepts: Life and Living; Natural and Processed Materials

English: Understanding Language; Viewing; Reading; Writing
The Arts: Arts Skills and Processes.

Venues:

- The Hills Forest Discovery Centre
- Wellington Discovery Forest
- Margaret River Eco Discovery Centre

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Biodiversity walks and activities Years 1 to 7

Year-round activities to suit your needs, which focus on the natural environment, plants, birds, spiders, reptiles and invertebrates.

Venues:

- All activities are held at The Hills Forest Discovery Centre, unless otherwise indicated

Monitoring Marsupials (Years 6 and 7) during camp

A unique opportunity for students on camp to be part of *Western Shield* research; to set and check traps and to encounter our native fauna first hand. Limited offer only.

Venues:

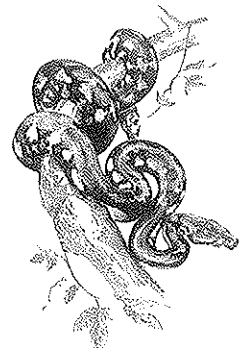
- The Hills Forest Discovery Centre, Wellington Discovery Forest

Bush Tucker Supper (Years 5, 6 and 7)

Enjoy an evening in our campsite with Nyoongar leaders, learn about Nyoongar nutrition and then make and eat a damper and kangaroo supper while listening to Dreamtime stories.

Place and Space for Reptiles (Years 4 to 7)

A chance to touch a real live skink, python or lizard. Students learn that the care of places promotes *Diversity of Species*.

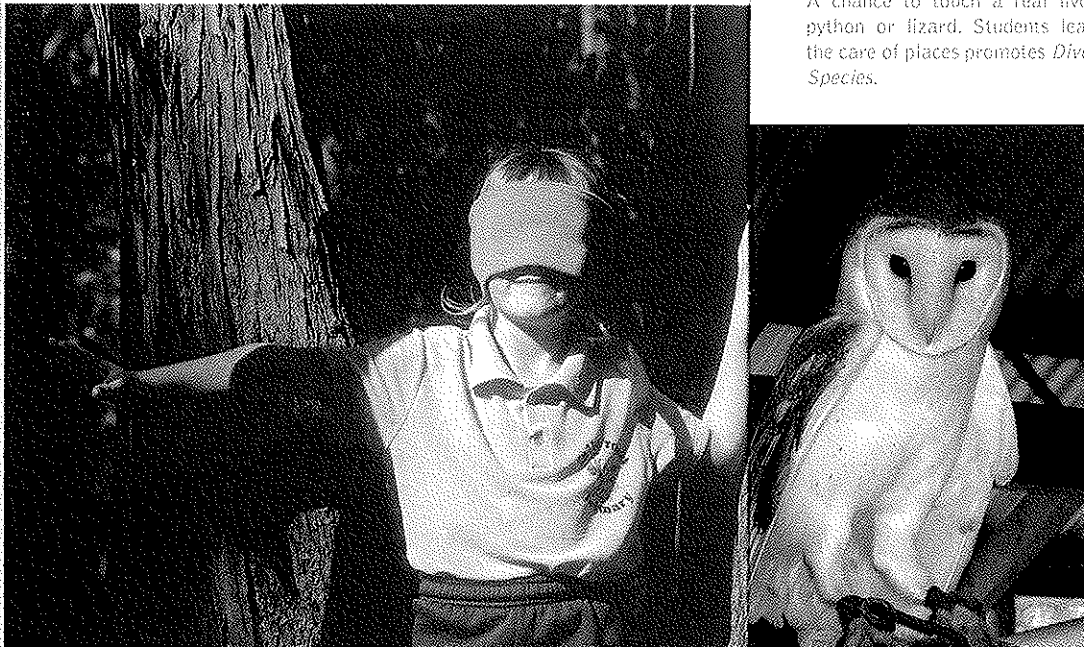


Raptors Life and Living (Years 4 to 7)

Raptors are fascinating and can teach us about the *Diversity of Species*. Students will discover how raptors have adapted to survive and the work of those who rescue and rehabilitate them.

Night Life and Living (Years 3 to 7)

Students, while exploring with spotlights, will recognise the interdependence of life as the forest comes alive after dark. This experience can be a highlight of your school camp.



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Biodiversity walks and activities Years 1 to 7

A Diversity of Spiders (Years 1 to 7)

Students will learn to value our amazing arachnids and the importance of maintaining a *Diversity of Species*.

Animal Encounters (Years 1 to 7)

Students will meet some of our unique native fauna up close, including marsupials, and learn about their special adaptations to the climate and the work of committed animal carers.



Investigating the Underworld (Years 1 to 7)

Students will investigate invertebrates and take part in a hands-on search of the jarrah forest underworld. They will then communicate their findings about the lives of beetles, bugs, spiders, ants, scorpions, earwigs, mantises and many more.

Frogs - environmental watchdogs (Years 1 to 7) day or night activity

Students will discover the value of frogs and then learn where to find them in the forest.



Sense-ational Trail (Years 1 to 7)

Using blindfolds, students explore the forest along our rope-walk trail using their senses of smell, touch and hearing.

Venues:

- The Hills Forest Discovery Centre
- Wellington Discovery Forest
- Margaret River Eco Discovery Centre

EcoWalks (Years 1 to 7)

Guided ecology walks through the forest. Duration and cost depends on your requirements.

Venues:

- The Hills Forest Discovery Centre
- Wellington Discovery Forest
- Margaret River Eco Discovery Centre



Aboriginal culture programs



The Aboriginal culture programs have three elements.

- CALM's *Exploring Woodlands with Nyoongars* (#) and *Sharing The Dreaming* (*) resource packs, supported by the Department of Education and Training's Aboriginal Studies resource files, for use in the classroom.
- Excursions.
- PD (optional).

Curriculum links:

LOTE: Listening and Responding, and Speaking

Society & Environment: ICP; Place and Space; Resources; Culture; Time, Continuity and Change

Science: Working Scientifically: Investigating; Science in Society

Understanding Concepts: Life and Living; Natural and Processed Materials

Technology & Enterprise: Technology Skills; Technology in Society

Venue:

- The Hills Forest Discovery Centre

Six-season walkabout Years 6 and 7

Students role-play a group of Aboriginal people on a six-season walk exploring traditional Aboriginal culture including hunting methods, building shelters and using the land, with an emphasis on student participation.

"The Aboriginal EcoEducation Officers were excellent role models. Every part of the excursion day (from the introductory welcome to the goodbye) was highly educational, relevant to what we covered in the classroom, hands-on, interesting and well delivered. I can't compliment you enough!" - Mark

Koolangars, Corroborees and Kaleeps Years 4 & 5



Students take a Nyongar cultural journey through traditional language and ceremony, hunting and fishing skills. The activities are split into two parts: a hunting expedition and corroboree, and a fishing session where students take part in building a fishing fence, 'catching' fish and searching for turtles.

"What a brilliant excursion! We all learnt so much about traditional Aboriginal culture and have more understanding and respect for it."
- Linda

"Moodjitch binar nyorps and yorgars" Pre-primary to Year 3

Moodjitch binar nyorps and yorgars is an Early Childhood introduction to Aboriginal culture. Students role-play a day in the life of an Aboriginal child, which includes traditional singing, dancing, face-painting and jewellery making, in a mia mia set in a beautiful jarrah forest.

"The excursion was a wonderful and uplifting experience. The students learnt so much and came away with a positive attitude towards Aboriginal culture. This has been the best excursion I have ever done with my students." - Stephanie



12 Healthy Parks Healthy People Years 5, 6 and 7

NEW!

Parks provide the perfect setting to improve health and wellbeing and also keep the environment healthy. This excursion promotes the importance of safe, regular, physical exercise in the natural environment and helps students develop the concepts that relate to a healthy life.



The program includes:

- a *Caring for Places National Parks of the south-west of Western Australia* resource pack (# 1) for use at school. Available in Term 3; and
- a *Healthy Parks Healthy People* excursion, which includes a walk on the Bibbulmun Track to the Mundaring Weir stopping for activities including Forest Code of Conduct, preventing spread of dieback. Learn techniques for safe bushwalking and bushcare, compass navigation, safety and signals, meditation and re-hydration.

Curriculum links:

Health & Physical Education: Knowledge and Understanding; Attitudes and Values

Society & Environment: Place and Space

Science: Working Scientifically: Acting Responsibly

Understanding Concepts: Life and Living

English: Speaking and Listening

Venue:

- The Hills Forest Discovery Centre



13 Caring for Places Years 6 and 7

NEW!

Venue:

John Forrest National Park

This exciting program, starting in Term 2, offers an investigation into national parks and provides a context for understanding sustainability and the role school communities can play in sustaining our natural environment.

The program includes:

- a *Caring for Places—National Parks in the south-west of Western Australia*, a teacher and student resource for use at school. Available in Term 3;
- a *Caring for Places* excursion—students explore the values, threats and impact of people on our national parks. Students meet a park ranger, learn about the park's history and assess their impact on it. As active citizens, they will lend a hand to rehabilitate a degraded part of the park; and
- PD (optional).

Curriculum links:

Society & Environment: ICP; Place and Space; Resources; Culture; Time, Continuity and Change;

Natural and Social Systems; Active Citizenship

Science: *Working Scientifically:* Acting Responsibly

Understanding Concepts: Life and Living

English: Understanding Language; Viewing; Reading; Writing

14 Threatened Animals and Ecosystems Years 5, 6 and 7



Venue:

- The Henderson Environmental Centre, Star Swamp



This program will encourage interest and involvement of young people in the conservation of Star Swamp, its animals and plants. A special focus of the excursion is on the *Western Shield* fauna recovery program and the importance of tuart woodland to a healthy ecosystem.

The program includes:

- a Resources and information pack for use at school;
- a *Threatened Animals and Ecosystems* excursion—includes a hands-on session on *Western Shield* monitoring methods, setting and checking traps, activities that bring to life the values of, and threats to, remnant bushlands as well as practical ways to conserve them; and
- PD (optional).

Curriculum links:

Society & Environment: ICP;

Place and Space; Resources;

Time, Continuity and Change;

Natural and Social Systems;

Active Citizenship

Science: *Working Scientifically:*

Investigating and Acting

Responsibly

Understanding Concepts: Life and Living

English: Understanding Language



Perth Hills

Students and teachers can take part in a variety of EcoEducation programs, and camp under canvas at The Hills Forest Discovery Centre or Patens Brook campsites. Alternatively, accommodation is available at the Perth Hills YHA.

**The Hills Forest Discovery Centre camp ground**

Suitable for people with disabilities.

Facilities:

12 shady tent sites, camp kitchen including electric BBQs, hot showers and toilets

Capacity:

Two classes with adults (maximum 60 people)

Cost:

Groups doing EcoEducation activities:

- \$4.40 per student (age four to 15 years) per night
- \$8.80 per adult per night (one free adult for each group of 10 children)
- \$110 main camp ground (up to 35 people); \$165 includes adjacent area (up to 60 people)

Patens Brook camp site

Meet the challenge and walk three kilometres to this secluded campsite. No vehicle access for students.

Facilities:

Shady camp sites (15 pads), water tank and toilets, three fire rings

Capacity:

Up to 65 people

Cost:

\$5 per person per night

Perth Hills Youth Hostel

Overlooking the Helena River Valley, enjoy the comfort and tranquillity of the hostel, one kilometre from The Hills Forest Discovery Centre.

Facilities:

36 beds. Capacity for 50, extra mattresses available. Cook your own food using the facilities available or have your meals prepared for you

Cost:

- \$13 per student per night
- \$19 per adult per night (one free adult per group)
- \$50 deposit is required when making your booking

Bookings/enquiries:

Ph: 9295 1809, mobile: 0407 081 639, email: perthhillsyha@aol.com

Wellington Mill Cottages

Wellington Mill is a safe venue for metropolitan and country school camps; only two hours drive from Perth and a short distance from Wellington Dam and Bunbury. The adjacent Wellington Discovery Forest Centre offers a wealth of curriculum-linked programs for Kindergarten to Year 12 students.

Facilities:

Cottages, hall for hire, public telephone, barbecues, laundry, playgrounds

Capacity:

Eight cottages (each accommodates eight people)

Bookings/enquiries:

Ph/fax: 9728 3043

Wharncliffe Mill Forest Camp

This camp, on site at the Margaret River Eco Discovery Centre, is a fantastic venue for metropolitan and country school camps; especially for Geography and Biology students and outdoor education activities.

Facilities:

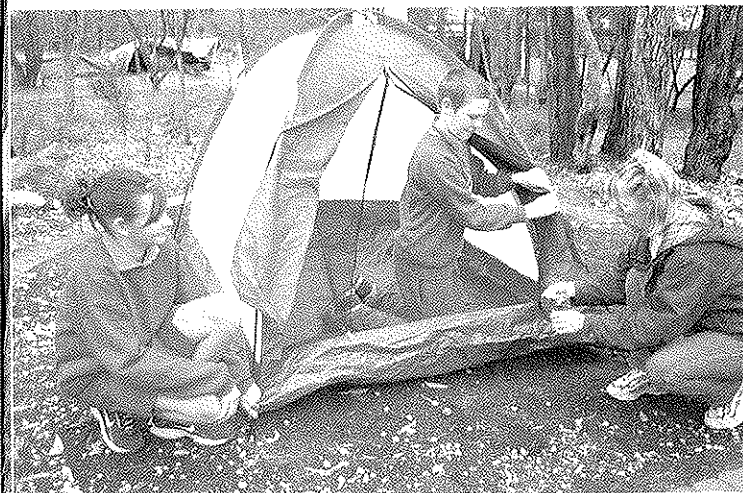
Bunkhouse style and camping site accommodation available, large undercover area, kitchen, barbecues, new universal access ablution block (both showers and toilets) and a large grassed area adjacent to the karri forest

Capacity:

Bunkhouse (36 beds)

Bookings/enquiries:

Ph: 9752 5555, fax: 9752 1432, email: buss.dis@caim.wa.gov.au



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Professional Development



PD day - The Hills Forest Discovery Centre

Provides: free EcoEducation packages and resources; an overview of excursion opportunities and curriculum links; experience of excursion activities for students; and lunch.

Dates:

Term 1: Friday 18 March
Term 3: Friday 5 August

Cost:

\$55 per teacher; \$33 per student teacher
Teachers attending this PD receive \$50 discount on their first excursion!

Time:

9am to 3pm

Whole school staff PD

The Hills Forest Discovery Centre or Henderson Environmental Centre PLUS receive a free set of Bush Books!

Cost:

\$55 per teacher, minimum of 20 teachers, support staff and interested parents.

Includes:

Lunch and resources

Time:

9am to 3pm

Professional Development (continued)

PD session at your school

We will visit your school to give you an overview of our resources and programs. Call us to make arrangements.

Cost:

\$175 for two and a half hours.

PD session Henderson Environmental Centre, Star Swamp

Dates:

Term 1: Friday 11 March
Term 3: Friday 19 August

Time

3.45 to 5.30pm

Greening Australia and CALM joint PD

Henderson Environmental Centre, Star Swamp

Dates:

Term 2: Friday 27 May

Time:

8.30am to 3pm

Cost:

\$55 per teacher; \$33 per student teacher

PDs Wellington Discovery Centre and Margaret River Eco Discovery Centre

These centres have many great PD and program opportunities. For enquiries see contacts page in this brochure.

FREE!



17 Be a Nature Conservation Officer for a Night

A PD night to Remember!

What's involved?

Encounter threatened species; meet a bilby, bandicoot or other unique native fauna and return to the classroom with resources to bring your *Science and Society & Environment* teaching program to life. Find out about the *Western Shield Schools Program* and experience research methods for monitoring native fauna.

Includes a free action pack and other resources for use in school.

Cost:

\$55 (inc accommodation, meals, resources) or \$44 STAWA members

Dryandra Woodland and Barna Mia Animal Sanctuary, near Narrogin

Date:

Term 1: Sat 19 March to Sun 20 March
Time: 3.30pm to 12.30pm the next day

Bookings/enquiries:

Ph: 9881 9200, fax: 9881 1645, email: tricias@calm.wa.gov.au

The Hills Forest Discovery Centre

Date:

Term 2: Fri 20 May to Sat 21 May

Time:

5pm to 12.30pm the next day

Bookings/enquiries:

Ph: 9295 6149/9295 6350, fax: 9295 3249,
email: ecoeducation@calm.wa.gov.au

Shark Bay World Heritage Area

Date:

Term 3: Sat 13 August to Sun 14 August

Time:

Sat morning to Sun afternoon

Bookings/enquiries:

Ph: 9948 1208, fax: 9948 1024,
email: davidch@calm.wa.gov.au



Wellington Discovery Forest

Date:

Term 3: Fri 9 September to Sat 10 September

Time:

5pm to 3.30pm the next day

Bookings/enquiries:

Ph: 9734 1988, fax: 9734 4539, email: wdf@calm.wa.gov.au

Special offers and special events

Join us to celebrate one or more of these special events

Term specials

All excursions at The Hills Forest Discovery Centre and Henderson Environmental Centre booked for the first and last weeks of each Term will be reduced to \$7.70 per student.

Friday 3 June

We will celebrate **Arbor Day (4 June)** and **World Environment Day (5 June)** with a series of special biodiversity conservation activities.

Year 4, 5, 6 and 7 Primary School student activities:

- Meet a ranger.
- Take part in Aboriginal culture activities.
- Sample macroinvertebrates.
- Close encounters with reptiles, raptors or marsupials.
- Plant a tree and tune into tuarts.

Cost:

\$5.50 per student (minimum 25)

Venue:

The Hills Forest Discovery Centre, Henderson Environmental Centre

National Science Week special 13 to 21 August

The *Forest Detectives Trail (FDT)* is an excursion that assists in fulfilling Science curriculum outcomes.

Cost:

\$6.60 per student

Biodiversity Month: September

All our programs promote the conservation of biodiversity and September is Biodiversity Month. So, join us, and the wildflowers, during this special month. Each class booking for *Bushcare* or *Caring for Places* will receive a set of *Bush Books* for their library. These handy-sized pocket field guides are about our native plants, wildflowers, birds, mammals and other animals.

Whole school staff PDs

Your school library will receive a free set of *Bush Books* when you complete a PD.

Summary of costs

Program/activity	Years	Cost per student
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Venue: The Hills Forest Discovery Centre

Discovering The Hills Forest	6-7	\$8.80
Catchment Carers' Trail	5-7	\$6.60
Threatened Species program (Back from the Brink)	5-7	\$6.60
Forest Detectives Trail	5-7	\$8.80
Bushcare	5-7	\$8.80
Biodiversity's Base - Incredible Invertebrates	4-5	\$8.80
Healthy Parks Healthy People	5-7	\$8.80
Busy in the Forest	Pre-primary-3	\$8.80

Biodiversity activities

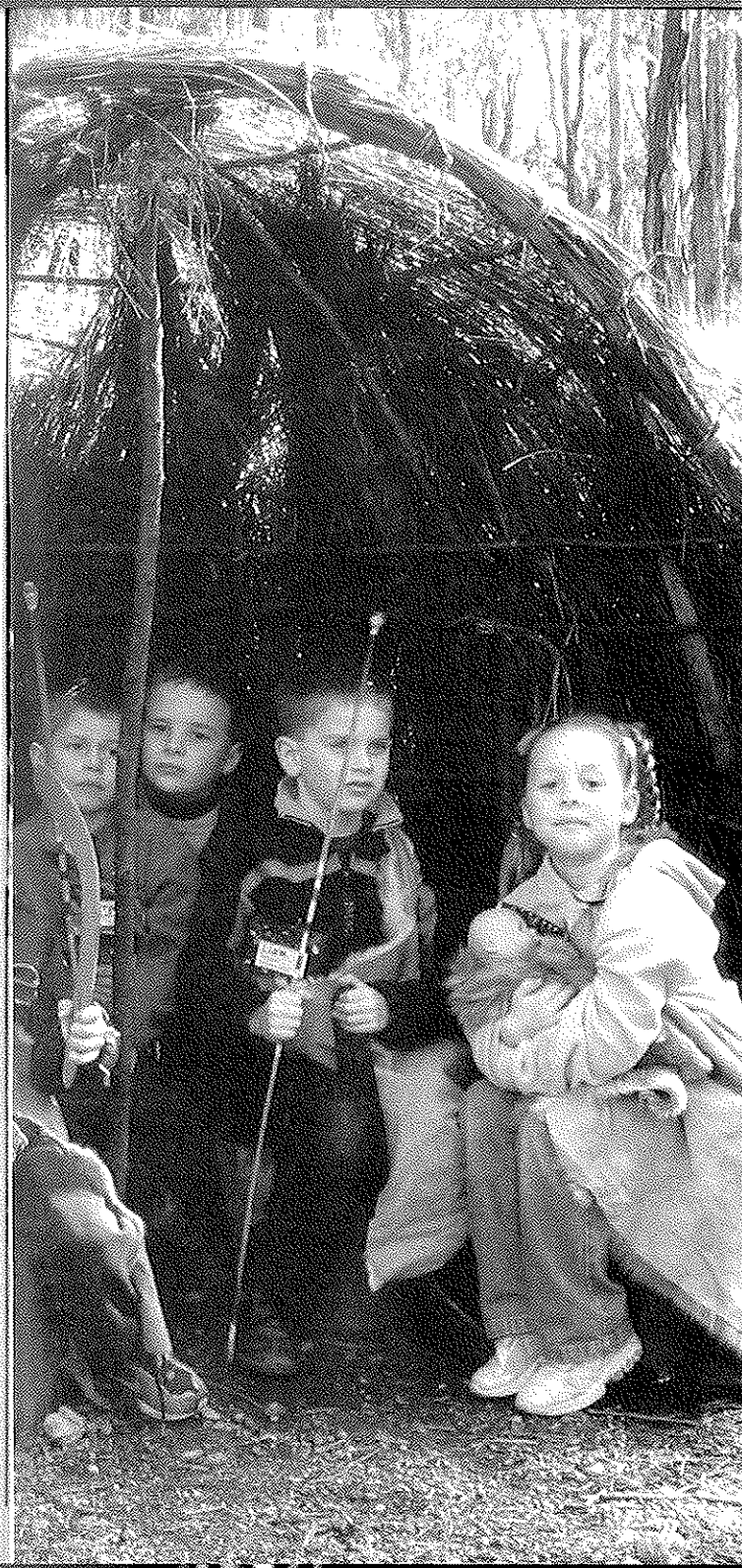
Monitoring marsupials	6-7	\$5.50
Bush Tucker Supper	5-7	\$7.70
Place and Space for Reptiles	4-7	\$4.40
Raptors Life and Living	4-7	\$4.40
Night Life and Living	3-7	\$4.40
A Diversity of Spiders (1hr, 2hrs)	1-7	\$3.30, \$4.40
Animal Encounters	1-7	\$4.40
Investigating the Underworld (1hr, 2hrs)	1-7	\$3.30, \$4.40
Frogs - environmental watchdogs	1-7	\$5.50
Sense-ational Trail	1-7	\$3.30
EcoWalks	1-7	varies
Six-season walkabout	6-7	\$8.80
Kooliangars, Corroborees and Kaleeps	4-5	\$8.80
Mooditch binar nyorps and yorgars	Pre-primary-3	\$8.80

Venue: John Forrest National Park

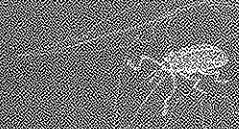
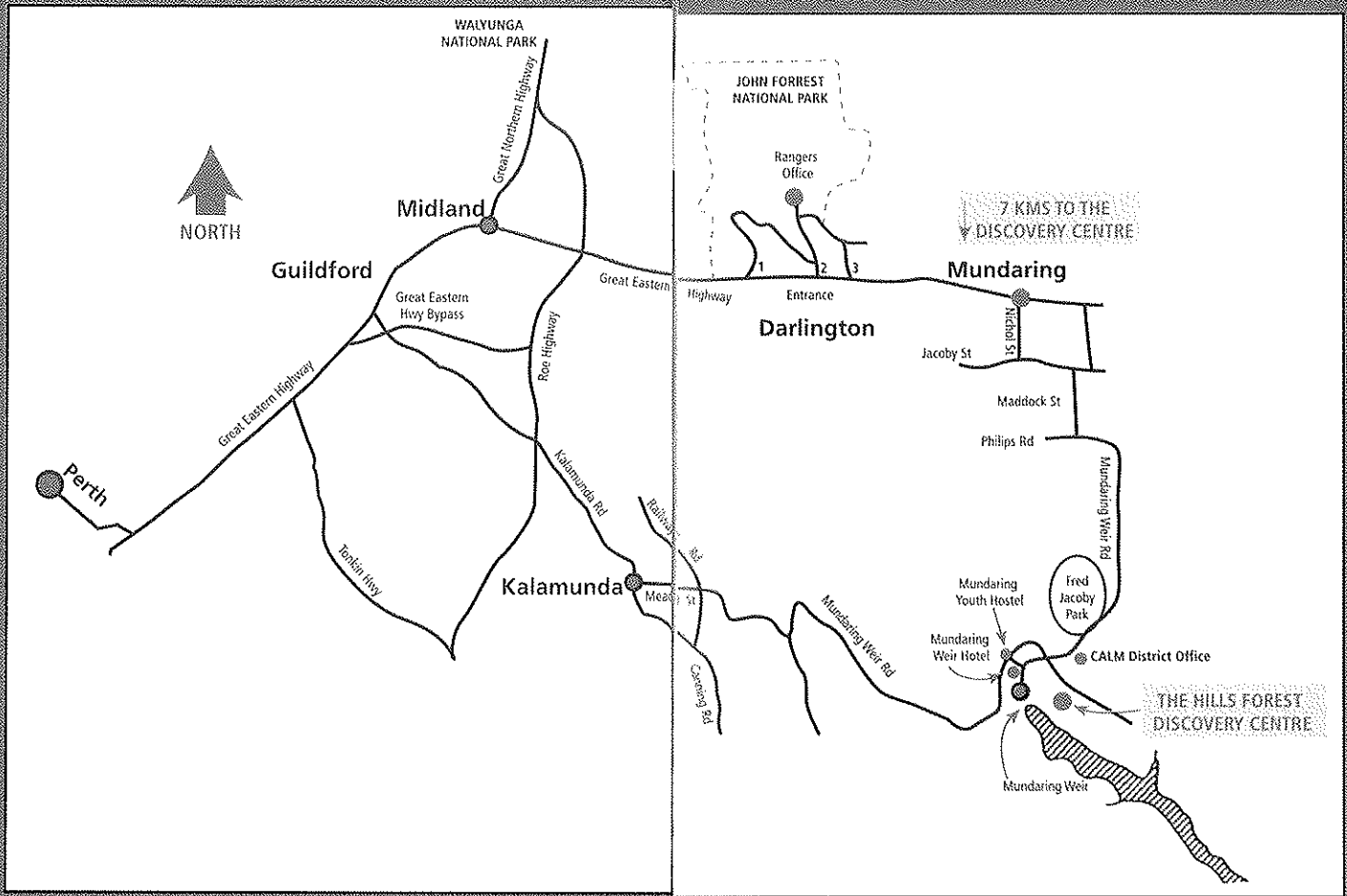
Caring for Places	5-7	\$8.80
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Venue: Henderson Environmental Centre

Threatened Animals and Ecosystems	5-7	\$8.80
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The way to The Hills Forest Discovery Centre



Tell me and I'll forget;
show me and I may remember;
involve me and I'll understand.

— Chinese proverb