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Development Education Project

inspiration . resources . training for a just and sustainable world

Innovation and Social Enterprise event for secondary schools

Museum of Science and Industry

19 November 2009, 9.30 - 3 pm



CLIMATE CHANGE

inventions . science . global citizenship . creativity

FREE EVENT . LIMITED PLACES . BOOK EARLY

To book a school place please contact Aarti Pandey,
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Events, opportunities, conferences

Active communities linking programme

DfID's Community Linking Programme (DCLP) is an exciting new programme offering funding and learning opportunities to UK community groups that are linked with a community group in a developing country.

Over the next six months a survey will be conducted to identify as many community links as possible, and help is sought in encouraging participation. The survey will give groups an opportunity to describe what they're doing already, and what type of support they need to enhance their links. Some groups will be asked for a more in-depth case study to showcase good practice in linking. The findings of the survey will then be available from February 2010.

Get more information from Hanna Blissett, Active Communities Team, VSO UK, 020 8780 7235 or email active.communities@vso.org.uk.

Black Environment Network free training

BEN is offering an environment training course for professionals, community members and community groups who may wish to develop, increase and enhance their knowledge and understanding in relation to working with the black and minority ethnic sector and other disadvantaged groups in and around Manchester.

The training is free and the next two sessions will be held at Merci, Bridge 5 Mill, on 4 November and 2 December 2009. Lunch is provided and expenses can be claimed.

For more information phone Saleem Oppal 07952 062912.

Calling Greater Manchester community groups and social enterprises

For national Pro Bono Week, free professional help and advice is being offered by Business in the Community on Friday 13 November from 11 - 3 pm. Professional business representatives will be on hand to offer expert advice and guidance on business planning, fundraising, legal matters, media and marketing, employment issues and more ... The event is being held at CFS Tower on Miller Street, Manchester. The booking deadline is 6/11/09.

For more information contact Sadie Tutton on 0161 233 7761 or email sadie.tutton@bitc.org.uk.

Climate Change festival

Manchester is hosting a festival on Sunday 13 December, 11 - 4 pm at Manchester Town Hall to support awareness of the UN climate summit in Copenhagen and to promote the advent of Manchester's climate change action plan.

The family event will have a solar cinema, green craft workshops, waggie dances and all kinds of climate change themed activities.

For more information email s.kornecki@manchester.gov.uk.

Community cohesion and the global dimension

This practical one-day conference is for head teachers, school leaders, subject leaders and advisors and is being held on Wednesday 4 November at the British Museum, 10.30 to 4.30. Seven workshops are on offer including Philosophy for children, school linking in diversity education and community cohesion in the early years.

For further information visit www.globalclassrooms.co.uk.

Contemporary crafts fair with FUSE Crafters

Come to Bolton market on Sunday 8 November, 11-5 pm, where there will be a free festive kids' workshop or craft demonstration. FUSE Crafters are a community group that meets twice monthly, to make and create art and craft. There are craft meet-ups, workshops and creative talks. Regular

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venues include Tottington Church Hall, (Harwood), Holland Nurseries (Bromley Cross) and Bolton market place.

For more information about joining and a full timetable please contact ladykerryb@hotmail.com.

DCSF Children's Plan workshop in Manchester

The world is changing, and so are the skills, attitudes and aspirations that children and young people need to succeed in a changing global economy. How can we prepare our children for a 21st century world?

The British Council would like to invite you to attend a workshop to find out more about the DCSF's Children's Plan, the benefits of international linking and the changing face of communities and communication. The event is on Monday 7 December 2009, 9 am - 3.30 pm, British Council, Bridgewater House, 58 Whitworth Street, Manchester M1 6BB.

To book email rsvp.events@britishcouncil.org with your contact details. For any queries call Arabella Tindall on 020 7389 4673.

Faith and the Environment conference

Faith Network for Manchester (FN4M) aims to bring together people of different faith groups across the city, to act as a means of communication and be a resource to address issues of common concern. The group is now organising an environmental conference on 16 November, with the theme *Faith and the Environment*, where different faith perspectives on the environment will be discussed after keynote speeches from the major faiths representatives. The conference is planned for Monday 16 November, venue and timings tbc.

For more information contact Robina Shah robina@fn4m.org.

Free Press pack

Students from MMU's MSc in International Public Relations are available to research and create a free bespoke press pack for small businesses, charities or organisations. Students will be assigned towards the end of November. The deadline to produce the pack is 1 March 2010.

If you have something you want to promote around or after March 2010 for which a press pack might be useful - such as a business launch or event, new product or website then get in touch as soon as possible. The student will work with you to compile the press pack and supply a list of target media contacts for you to send it out to. The aim is to have organisations signed up by the end of October or early November.

To register your interest, please contact Dr Jane Tonge j.tonge@mmu.ac.uk as soon as possible.

Get involved with Oxfam north west

Find out what your local Oxfam group is planning - get involved in Oxfam's outreach in the north west from activismnorthwest@oxfam.org.uk.

There are free training nights once a month in Manchester on a wide variety of different topics. The session coming up on

4 November is *Are women the answer to poverty* and runs from 6.25 - 8 pm at the Methodist Church, Central Hall, Oldham Street, Manchester M1 1JQ, and then go for a drink and a chat afterwards. All are welcome. Sign up today to reserve your space www.oxfamgendercampaignstraining.eventbrite.com.

Join The Wave

On Saturday 5 December 2009, ahead of the crucial UN climate summit in Copenhagen, tens of thousands of people from all walks of life will flow through the streets of London and Glasgow to demonstrate their support for a safe climate future for all. Join the wave and come to the UK's biggest ever demonstration on climate change.

The Co-operative is organising transport from 19 departure points www.co-operative.coop/ethicsinaction/takeaction/thewave/book-transport-for-The-Wave/.

Info and register at www.the-wave.org.uk/.

Mediation training from Peacebuilders in 2010

Do you want to train to be a mediator? This is your opportunity. Peacebuilders is delivering their next six day conflict mediation skills training course (accredited by the Open College Network at Level 3) next February and March on 23, 24 and 25 February, 16, 17 and 18 March 2010.

The course will run at St Thomas Centre, Ardwick M12 6FZ (5 minutes from Piccadilly station). The cost is £950 with a 10% discount for bookings received before 11 December 2009.

Contact laura@peacebuilders.org.uk or phone 0161 872 7732, www.peacebuilders.org.uk/training/

Merci AGM, an evening of film, food and fun

Come along on Wednesday 25 November, 6 - 8.30 pm for Manchester's first screening of the amazing film *Addicted to Plastic* (a look at the damage our over-reliance on all things plastic is causing and what we can do about it), scrumptious supper prepared from seasonal vegetables from Herbie the mobile greengrocer and fun with a raffle, quiz and a sneak preview of Merci's sustainable procurement directory.

More information from corrina@merci.org.uk, 0161 273 1736.

Open Day at Whalley Range Grow your own

Follow All Hallow's Eve with a spot of digging down in Whalley Range. Come on down to get mucky, make friends and learn about growing your own fruit and vegetables. Whalley Range Grow your own consists of a group of volunteers who have got together to utilise some unused green space in the area, with the idea of growing herbs and vegetables. There will be workshop sessions for volunteers giving everyone the opportunity to learn the basics of vegetable growing - experience is not essential!

1 November 2009, 11 am until 2 pm, Tangmere Court, Dudley Road, Manchester. This venue may not be accessible for disabled people - please contact the organisers whalleyafsl@googlemail.com.

Primary to secondary school transition conference

At this conference to be held next February (date tbc), a range of workshops will demonstrate practical ideas of how to use the global dimension and peer education to ease transition from primary to secondary school, as well as disseminate the findings of DEP's three year project, *Primary to secondary school transition and the global dimension*.

At the conference schools and staff will share experiences and discuss current practices to develop successful transition strategies, as well as explore how transition can enhance links to the community cohesion and sustainable schools agendas.

The new teacher handbook, *Peer education and the global dimension - a tool for transition*, will be launched at the event.

For more information contact shadi@dep.org.uk.

Video competition

Oxfam has launched a viral video competition to promote The Wave event (see above). The rules are simple - make a video, upload it to You Tube, promote it to the high heavens and send us the link. The deadline is 27 November when the winners will be decided based on who has had the most people view their film and winners will receive a funky new flip video camera to help their future film making.

For more details go to www.oxfam.org.uk/applications/blogs/pressoffice/?p=7848.

Resources

Climate Change directory

This directory for north west schools is an additional resource to the new teachers' website www.teachclimatechange.org. Thanks to NWDA funding each school in the north west is entitled to one free copy.

To order a copy go to www.dep.org.uk/projects/current-projects/teach-climate-change/ where postage and packing is payable at £3.50.

Handbook of Sustainability Literacy: A free multimedia resource and paperback book

The *Handbook of Sustainability Literacy* was launched on 18 September 2009. This important new free education resource for lecturers, teachers and students across all study areas takes a sharp look at the skills, attributes and competencies that learners will need for surviving and thriving in the 21st century. The authors include leading sustainability educators as well as specialists from a range of disciplines from engineering to art. It is available from: www.sustainability-literacy.org.

Exploring together: a global dimension to the secondary curriculum

This free pack consists of a set of leaflets which explore the global dimension to each secondary national curriculum subject. It provides starting points for exploring what the global

dimension means for particular subjects and can also be used for cross-curriculum planning.

A pdf of the whole set can be downloaded from www.globaldimension.org.uk/index.aspx?id=1080.

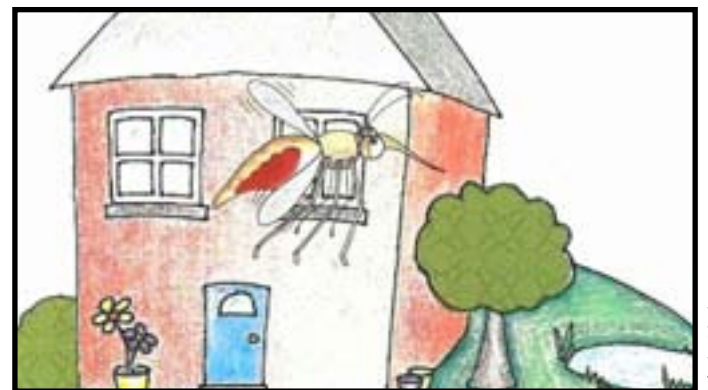
Green Day, CABE

The Commission for Architecture and the Built Environment (CABE) run a project for primary and secondary schools called Green Day focusing on climate change, buildings and spaces. The project has run very successfully for two years in Manchester and eight other cities in England - over 120,000 pupils took part in June 2009. For 2010 the work is being expanded nationally.

Green Day is a one-day event for schools about climate change, sustainability and the built environment. The popular activity kit of ideas, activities and resources for holding a school green day event is being updated for 2010.

Sign up to the Green Day newsletter at www.cabe.org.uk/publications/green-day.

New educational film-based workshop on malaria



Kirsh Blake

Working with science specialists and designers DEP's new three year project Science for Global Citizenship has commissioned this new film (go to www.youtube.com/watch?v=vlhjtXLug7M for a taster), which was launched at the Manchester Science Festival, as a workshop for secondary schools. DEP can run sessions for classes of secondary students exploring both the science and the global impacts of malaria.

Contact aarti@dep.org.uk or phone 0161 921 8020.

Quiz night in aid of the Medical Foundation for the Victims of Torture

Sunday 1 November, 7.15 pm for a 7.30 pm start, at the Irish Club, High Lane, Chorlton. Introduction by Jude Boyles, manager of the Manchester centre.

Tickets cost £5 each on the door. Come in a team of six, or make up a team when you arrive. Bar! Raffle! Fun! Prizes! For more information phone 0161 861 0153.

Self help Africa

Self Help Africa (previously Harvest Help), is an international development charity which exists to help rural poor in African countries, training families in sustainable farming methods so they can feed themselves all year round. Curriculum-specific teaching resources about development in Africa are now available on the website: <http://cts.vresp.com/c/?SelfHelpAfrica/4e5b0d7ceb/d37150e9d9/88f7aa5bc2>.

The primary, secondary and sixth form resources tell the stories of real people and explore the daily challenges they face. The lesson plans and slide shows explore themes such as food and nutrition, access to safe water and human rights.

Ready-to-use activities will engage pupils in thought-provoking debate and role play, helping them to empathise with issues affecting people from other countries whilst covering subjects from the National Curriculum at the same time.

Schools Linking Network in Stockport

September 2009 saw the Ethnic Diversity Service at Stockport MBC launch the Schools Linking Network (SLN) in their borough. SLN is an exciting initiative, and aims to facilitate sustainable links between schools in England to help children and young people explore their identity, celebrate diversity and develop dialogue. The network is already growing with 16 local schools and over 450 children involved. Throughout the year, the children and young people will work together and collaborate on diverse shared projects. The themes explored through SLN and Manchester's Development Education Project are mutually supportive, and SLN is looking forward to working with DEP to run a series of linking activity days for the children involved in the project.

For more information contact Nicole Hand on 0161 477 9000, nicole.hand@stockport.gov.uk or see the website www.schoolslinkingnetwork.org.uk.

Waste Works Key Stage 2 workshops

Are you looking for fun environmental visits which support classroom learning? Waste Works is the Co-operative's purpose built recycling education centre in Manchester where KS 2 groups can learn about sustainable living and see recycling in action.

There are two workshops on offer, both curriculum-linked and filled with hands-on activities designed to inspire young people. Best of all, both workshops are completely free of charge!

For more information about the two workshops (Paper Trail and Closing the Loop) please email wasteworks@co-operative.coop or call on 0161 833 4563. Further information is also available at www.co-operative.coop/wasteworks.

Jobs

Action for Sustainable Living

Action for Sustainable Living (AfSL) seek a part-time office manager to ensure the smooth running of the office and provide day to day administrative support to staff and volunteers, and support work in south and east Manchester. You will have the opportunity to expand on your current skills and widen your knowledge of the environment sector.

The post is part-time (0.25 wte, or 10 hours) covering one day and one consecutive morning per week by negotiation (excluding Fridays). The post will run until 31 March 2010. Subject to achieving targets may lead to an extended contract.

Salary £18,270 (pro rata based on 40 hours). Closing date 12pm, Monday 2 November. Interviews Monday 9 November.

Please download a job pack from www.afsl.org.uk/officemanager or phone 0161 227 0377 for a print copy or more information. Email or post a covering personal statement, your CV, completed application form and a completed equal opportunities form to opportunities@afsl.org.uk.

Manchester Development Education Project

DEP aims to enable people to achieve a more just and sustainable world, in their schools and communities as well as more widely, in which power and resources are more fairly shared by all. We are seeking an events coordination administrator to work with a number of DEP projects. The post is a short term freelance contract from November 2009 to March 2010, working approximately 10 days at a daily rate of £120. The contract may be extended, dependent on funding.

The post, based at the DEP offices in Didsbury, will support the delivery of a range of events and training. We seek an excellent communicator and organiser, with the ability to prioritise.

Send CV with references and a covering letter by Friday 6 November by email to Claire Cowell, claire@dep.org.uk telephone: 0161 921 8016.

Funded through: GONW; DFID; DEP; NWGEN; NWRDA.

Wanted - an Oxfam fundraising volunteer!

The new Oxfam north west fundraising team are looking for an enthusiastic volunteer who will support fundraising activity in the region, while making a real difference to people living in poverty worldwide.

As a valuable member of the Oxfam fundraising team you will have a varied role - this is a fantastic opportunity to develop your fundraising, communication and organisation skills, while working for one of the UK's largest charities.

Starting in mid November, we need a commitment of 8 - 10 hours a week (flexible) for a minimum of six months. This is an unpaid position but we will reimburse out of pocket expenses.

For more information, contact Harriett on 0161 234 2791 or email hchristie@oxfam.org.uk.

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