City of Coquitlam

Recycling & Waste Reduction Workshops

Coquitlam schools

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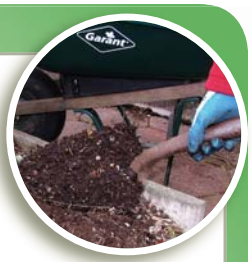

Was becoming more earth-friendly one of your school's New Year's Resolutions? Prepare your students to be stewards of a sustainable future by immersing them into a number of exciting FREE environmental programs offered by the City of Coquitlam.

Bear Aware Workshop

Coquitlam is in bear country! Interested in learning more about these fascinating local animals? City of Coquitlam's Urban Wildlife Coordinator will visit your classroom to present a workshop including a slideshow covering topics such as:

- Bear safety
- Bear biology and behaviour.

To sign up or get more information on the Bear Aware program,

Please contact:

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Operation Zero Waste

An exciting new waste reduction challenge offered to motivate Middle or High school students to take steps towards creating a zero-waste community. Whether you would like to challenge your students, another class or school; Operation Zero Waste can be a rewarding competition for any Coquitlam classroom from earth science to social studies.

The program involves:

- City Staff lead an in-class workshop and conduct garbage audit (city staff weigh/assess select waste bins with student assistance).
- Student-run waste reduction activities during lunch-time.
- Final Weigh-in

Upon registration, teachers will receive a detailed information kit, including activities to do before, during and following the week-long challenge. Students who successfully reduce their waste and devise a plan to maintain their classroom behaviour will be rewarded gift prizes that will support their waste reduction efforts, the classroom with the biggest improvement will also be announced on our City website. There is limited availability for this program so be sure to register soon!

To register or get more details, please contact:

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The City of Coquitlam's Inspiration Garden

The Inspiration Garden, part of Town Centre Park and Lafarge Lake, located at the corner of Guildford Way and Pipeline Road is an educational, demonstration garden. It offers a variety of programs to all age groups, including students.

Classes can participate in a variety of workshops covering topics from seeds, to plant parts/types, to pollination and bees in this unique outdoor classroom. The programs offered for 2012 are free of charge and are offered from March through to October.

For more information and to register for spring, contact:

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