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Outside the classroom – THE place for quality learning

Little more than a year since the launch of DCSF's **Manifesto for Learning Outside the Classroom**, interest in learning outdoors is blossoming amongst heads, teachers, governors and children. That's nothing new for the latter – children have always been motivated, enthusiastic and engaged when in an outdoor environment. But whilst some teachers have long been advocates of learning outdoors, for others leaving the classroom walls behind and venturing out may be a daunting prospect, whether for short forays into the school grounds and local area, or going off for a day visit, or even braving a residential experience.

This issue of Environmental Education News, together with accompanying literature (for those reading the hard copy) or website links (a click away for e-readers) features details about a wide range of training events, locations for educational visits and services to support learning outdoors. Given the range and breadth of what's available, how could readers fail to appreciate the contribution that taking lessons outside can make to quality learning?!



CEES' recently opened new Centre at Coldham Wind Farm near March provides a perfect example of the expanding range of locations and services offered around Cambridgeshire to help teachers take learning outside the classroom. Details on page 5.

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The current issue of Environmental Education News is a slightly slimmed down version in terms of number of pages. This is due not to reduced interest and content, but rather to an increase!

Many of the organisations that form part of the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Environmental Education Network have chosen to circulate their 2008 literature with this mailing, reducing the need for more detailed coverage and photos in this newsletter, and many of the articles featured make use of web links to sites where interested readers can find out much more than could be included here – even if more pages were produced!

Supporting Sustainable Schools

Locally

CEES' conference on **Sustainable Schools for the Future**, held at Girton College, Cambridge last term attracted more than 100 delegates for a day that participants described as "inspirational", "extremely worthwhile", "helpful and informative" and even "just what we needed". Follow up communications from delegates have already shown that action for sustainable schools is gathering pace at many schools around the County. More details in next term's newsletter.

Regionally

On Friday 22 February the Government Office for the East of England will host a regional conference in Cambridge. The programme for **Every Child's Future Matters** will provide an occasion for local authority officers, teachers, heads and students with an interest in sustainable schools to share good practice in the region. Reports from the conference will feed into the national conference.

Nationally

On Thursday 13 March strategic thinkers and decision makers from across the country will converge on Cambridge for a conference hosted by Cambridgeshire Acting Chief Executive Gordon Jeyes. **From Every Child's Voice to Sustainable Choice** is organised by CEES on behalf of DCSF as part of the Department's strategy for moving the Sustainable Schools agenda forward nationally.

For details of the events above tel CEES on 01780 782386 or email cees.stibbington@cambridgeshire.gov.uk.

Burwell House - A superb environment for map skills

The gardens at Burwell House, small and secure enough not to get lost in, but big enough to have plenty of interest and challenge, provide a perfect environment for all sorts of mapwork opportunities. Over the past year several new activities have been developed.

Starting with simple map walks, learning the basics of orientation, visitors can move on to learn and use many different map skills in a number of fun and innovative games in the gardens and surrounding village. Notable new acquisitions to aid mapwork include:

- Simple compasses (designed by Centre staff), and a series of trails and activities that use them.
- A recently purchased and professionally drawn up Orienteering map.

On a visit to Burwell House (residentially or for a day) a large number of mapwork objectives can be achieved and a great deal of fun had into the bargain! For details visit www.burwell-house.com.

RSPCA Education services

The aims of the RSPCA are to prevent cruelty and to promote kindness to animals. The Society's education service plays a leading role by providing and supporting animal welfare education for young people and teachers across the country. It aims to develop knowledge and understanding, change attitudes and behaviour, promote and nurture a respect for and a sense of responsibility to animals.

The education department has a team of education advisers nationwide. These education advisers can plan, develop and deliver demonstration lessons, work with the children on activities and aim to support and advise teachers in developing animal welfare education within the curriculum and school grounds. They are also able to offer INSET, planning sessions and training workshops for teachers to develop more knowledge and confidence when teaching about animal welfare within the curriculum.

The education department's **FREE** resources, including lesson plans, photopacks, and interactive resources, are all available at www.rspca.org.uk/education. The latest resources cover the new GCSE Science Curriculum topics of biodiversity, farming and research animals. The services that the education department provide are **FREE** to all schools and no fund raising is undertaken in schools.

For further information contact education adviser, Catherine Foreman (Norfolk and Cambridgeshire) on 07834 677 252 or e-mail cforeman@rspca.org.uk.

CEES Evaluation draw, Spring 08

Congratulations to the following winners of CEES draw for last term. A small token to thank them for returning their comments about the service is en route to their schools:

Upware Centre: Mr Furness of The Thomas Eaton Primary who took his year 5 class for a habitats day in September.

Wisbech Castle: Mr Forman of Werrington Primary who trialled the new "Work rest and play the Victorian Way" course with his year 5 class in October

Coldham Wind Farm: Ms Gathercole of Fridaybridge Primary who trialled Energy Works with her year 5/6 class in November.

Stibbington Centre: Ms Stygalls of Matley Primary who brought year 3s for a 3-day residential course in November

Learning Outside the Classroom - A manifesto to make a difference

Launched in 2006 and funded by the government, the Learning Outside the Classroom (LotC) manifesto aims to encourage more widespread use of educational opportunities outside the classroom and to inspire schools to provide “high-quality experiences” for all young people.

Schools Secretary Ed Balls said recently that children shouldn't be “wrapped in cotton wool” and urged schools and parents to take a more balanced approach to risk. He highlighted the fact that a third of parents don't let their children play outside because of fears over safety.

“Learning Outside the Classroom is not just about outdoor learning,” said former geography teacher Peter Carne, who with colleague Mike Tones is joint LOTC manifesto champion. “It's about awe and wonder and the inspiration and really memorable learning experiences young people get from being in wonderful places.”

Supporting the manifesto are nine sector groups representing outdoor learning interests as diverse as school grounds, creativity and the arts, farming and countryside, natural environment, built environment, heritage and adventurous activity.

The LOTC team are in the process of producing a set of advice, guidance and training to support teachers and providers. Known as the Out and About package, it will be launched later this year and will offer support on a wide range of topics, including identifying opportunities for outside learning, planning and organising visits and managing risk. Head of CEES, Rosie Edwards has been invited to be part of the writing team, providing an opportunity to cite examples of good practice locally within the materials which will appear on the teachernet website.

Currently local support for learning outdoors is available in several forms:

- A series of workshops on **Learning in the school grounds** for key stages 1 and 2 will be run by CEES early in the summer term, see Diary Dates and leaflet.
- CEES specialists are available to lead **whole school staff** professional development events on learning in the school grounds.
- The CEES **school grounds development service** can work with teachers and children to develop plans for improving the grounds.
- A wide range of organisations offer locations and support for **educational day visits**, many of them feature in this newsletter and in accompanying leaflets.
- For **residential educational visits**, a meeting to be held at Stibbington Centre on Friday 11 April may be of interest, see leaflet.
- Under the umbrella, **Cambridgeshire Outdoors**, a collaboration of local authority providers in Cambridgeshire aims to encourage and enhance high quality learning outside the classroom, see leaflet.

For more information on the Learning Outside the Classroom manifesto, visit www.teachernet.gov.uk/teachingandlearning/resourcematerials/outsideclassroom

Quantum's "Bin Raider" tackles climate change

Quantum Theatre's environmental show for Primary Schools, Bin Raider, ties in with the DCSF Sustainable Schools Strategy and looks at the main causes of Climate Change and what individuals can do to help. It deals with energy efficiency (turning off electrical appliances, turning down heating, keeping the fridge door closed), reducing, reusing and recycling (minimising packaging, reusing plastic bags) and being more water wise (turning off the tap when brushing teeth)

For more information and price visit or tel 020 8317 9000 or see www.quantumtheatre.co.uk/binraiderinfo.

Free trees from Tree Appeal

For those who are developing their school grounds, Tree Appeal can provide large numbers of native broad-leaf trees free. Cell grown trees are provided, directly from a tree nursery, from the following species: Oak, Ash, Silver Birch, Downy Birch, Rowan, Field Maple, Goat Willow, Beech (green or purple) Common Alder, Native Dogwood and more. Saplings, canes and rabbit spirals are delivered free. For information about the scheme visit: www.treeappeal.com/schools. The tree planting season runs from November through to March so there may just be time to take action now, or alternatively plan ahead for the coming Autumn.

Tree planting can provide the basis for eco-clubs and can make learning about the environment fun and interactive, as well as improving school grounds, creating woodland habitats and supporting biodiversity.

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Wild Journeys at Paxton Pits Nature Reserve

The Wildlife Trust is currently launching its newly developed "Wild Journeys Learning Experiences". Until the end of March there are a limited number of free coaches available for schools booking onto "Wild Journeys of People and Wildlife". This is a cross curricular programme suitable for Primary School groups for the autumn and winter. The programme explores the themes of Saxon settlers and bird migration and offers children the chance to unearth clues, make clay creations, bird watch from Journey Headquarters, visit a Saxon camp, take part in the Saxon arrival and find a feast for the birds.

For the Summer term bookings are being taken for Wild Journeys: Habitats Through Time. On this programme children 'stop off' at key points in time in the history of Paxton Pits to meet a talking Ichthyosaur, fossil hunt and pond dip, sweep net, log roll and bird watch to explore different habitats.

Development of "Wild Journeys" has been funded by Natural England through DEFRA's Aggregates Levy Sustainability Fund. These exciting new child-centred learning adventures are designed to meet the needs of the National Curriculum and enable children to develop an emotional connection to the natural environment.

For more information contact Debbie Mckenzie or Jane Lambourne on 01480 811075.

Ramsey Heights Countryside Classroom – the centre for the Great Fen

The Wildlife Trust's Ramsey Heights Countryside Classroom is the centre for school and community groups visiting the Great Fen. Over the winter the classroom has been completely refurbished to make it suitable for all year use and extended to provide new toilet facilities for all. The building work is almost complete and we are looking forward to welcoming schools and other visitors from April onwards. Teachers are invited to visit the centre from 4.15 on Wednesday 23 April and Thursday 15 May to see the new facilities, explore the reserve and find out about the Great Fen Project and the activities available.

Helen Moore, the centre manager, said, "It is really exciting being involved in the Great Fen Project and exploring different ways of bringing fen wildlife and history alive for young and old alike. We hope that teachers who have visited in the past will appreciate the improved

facilities and that the new programmes including the Fens as a contrasting location will attract other schools from pre-school to A'level.

The improvements at Ramsey Heights are part of the Cambridgeshire Green Vision - an exciting twenty-year plan funded by Communities and Local Government for extending and enhancing the county's network of green spaces, protected sites and nature reserves to improve the quality of life for existing and future residents. To learn more about the Cambridgeshire Green Vision contact the Green Infrastructure Development Officer on 07920 296254 or email helen.ryde@cambridgeshire.gov.uk.



Great Fen Wildlife Watch Group

Another exciting venture at the Great Fen is the launch of a Wildlife Watch group for children aged 7 to 11 on Saturday 19 April with a morning roadshow at the Countryside Classroom. There will be a variety of activities and a chance for parents to meet the leaders. The group will then meet once a month on a Saturday morning at the classroom and on other nature reserves in the area to learn about and take action for wildlife while having fun. The Great Fen group will bring the number of Wildlife Watch groups in Cambridgeshire and Peterborough to seven. To find out about other groups contact the Wildlife Watch officer, Amanda Swinford, e-mail Amanda.swinford@wildlifebcnp.org.

An 'Oscar' for Wisbech Harbour?

The Nene Waterfront Regeneration Project Education team comprising CEES and Fenland District Council are to attend an 'Oscar' type ceremony in Manchester on 13 March. The new CEES course on Change in an urban locality, which is based around the harbour, is a finalist in the education category of the British Urban Renewal Association (BURA) awards.

The KS2 and KS3 geography locality course focuses on the regeneration of the Nene Harbour area and its impact on Wisbech and the town centre. During the day course period photos are used to evoke Wisbech in the past and enable comparisons to be made with the present day. Artists' impressions of the planned buildings give an indication of the changes taking place, and a tour of the harbour area and the building works brings the whole project to life. Pupils also meet the Harbour Master and have an opportunity to take a closer look at the river from the yacht pontoons. Geographical techniques such as map reading, mapping services, and environmental quality surveys help pupils to evaluate the changes in Wisbech and form their own opinions. It is hoped that the course will also help students to take an interest in their surroundings, to be a stakeholder and to take pride in the town – a curriculum link to citizenship.

CEES is grateful for funding support from Fenland District Council, Mace Project Management and English Partnerships which enables the course to be subsidised to schools. For this academic year, the course fees are just £50 per class. Bookings are currently being taken for this course for the second half of summer half term.

For details tel CEES on 01780 782386 or email cees.stibbington@cambridgeshire.gov.uk.

Summer for KS1 at Wisbech Castle

CEES' education base at Wisbech Castle provides an ideal venue for an educational visit for key stage 1 in the summer season.

Popular courses last year included **Teddy Bear's Treasure Trail**, a map skills course for geography, and **Exploring Materials** a science course that takes a fun look at different materials, ending with investigating the properties of materials heated in a fire. A new history course makes full use of the wonderful Castle building with its period kitchen, scullery and parlour: In **Work, Rest and Play the Victorian Way** children go back in time to learn how to be a scullery maid or boot boy and they find out what life was like outside work too. They visit the church where Victorian children would go every Sunday and there's a chance to find out about and play with toys from before the age of plastic and electronics!

For details contact CEES, see left.

Energy Works launched at CEES Coldham

Last term saw the launch of the new energy and environment programme, **Energy Works** at CEES new centre at Coldham Wind Farm near March. The four organisations that lead and manage the programme, Fenland District Council, The Co-operative Group, Scottish Power Renewables and CEES were joined by local teachers and heads for the official opening which was performed by Councillor Jill Tuck. CEES teacher Nicky Ayscough described the programme and Jayne Williams, Head of Fridaybridge Primary School, spoke enthusiastically of the positive impact the trial had had on her mixed year 5/6 class.

The trial programmes, which were tested by Fridaybridge and Elm Primaries, involved a visit to Coldham Wind Farm and two in-school workshops. Elm's programme also included a visit to the gas-fired power station at Sutton Bridge. Activities in school included experimenting with mini solar panels and wind turbines, and a DT project using reclaimed materials to make model turbines. The DT workshop, designed by Nick King of the Recycling Bus was particularly popular with pupils. A father of one of the boys at Fridaybridge said, "What a fantastic project! I have never seen my son so enthusiastic, and we were given a lecture by him on wind turbines, complete with all the terminology. He told us it was the best day he had ever had and we still have his model on top of the TV!"

Thanks to 100% funding by Fenland District Council, the programme is available free to Fenland schools with a contribution towards coach costs too. Additional funding from Glassmoor Wind Farm and from The Co-operative Group's regional branch has enabled more schools around Cambridgeshire to be included. There are still spaces for three more Fenland schools to join the programme in the Summer term. Teachers should book as soon as possible for these dates or book early to be sure of dates from September. Contact CEES as above.

New at WWT Welney

Staff at the Wildfowl & Wetlands Trust at Welney are looking forward to a busy summer using new facilities.

A new bird hide is perfect for visiting school groups, with benches and viewing windows at child-friendly height. This enables more children to get a front row seat to view the spectacular Welney wetlands.

Further developments include a new pond-dipping platform and improved access to green space, opening up an outside picnic area to be enjoyed on sunny days and extra space for groups to let off steam during their visit.

Bookings are now being taken for the summer using a new email system, making the process easier and reducing paper use. See brochure at www.wwt.org.uk/welney or tel Sarah Graves 01353 860711

Foundation and KS1 at Upware Centre

With Spring just around the corner, plants bursting into life and sleepy minibeasts emerging from their winter homes, there isn't a better time for young children to explore the environment. CEES Upware Centre has revised its day course programmes for both Foundation stage and key stage 1, offering a wide range of opportunities for early years children to engage with the environment.

The Snail Trail for foundation stage involves finding out about snails of all sizes and their habitats. Children explore a snail story using music, mime and movement.

Making sense of our environment includes a variety of practical sensory activities including close observation of colour, texture, sounds and smells in the natural environment.

At key stage 1, young scientists can spend a day **Exploring minibeasts**, or **Exploring materials** or **Exploring plants**. Or as an alternative, **Exploring our environment** combines these topics in a programme that includes sensory and practical hands-on activities to find out about the natural environment.

For geography at Key stage 1 **Exploring a locality** compares and contrasts pupils' local environment with the village of Upware in its fenland setting.

For full details of these and other courses for early years contact CEES on tel 01780 782386 or email cees.stibbington@cambridgeshire.gov.uk

Upware Open Day 9 March

CEES Upware Centre will be throwing open its doors to visitors from 10am to 4pm during its annual Open Day on 9 March. Situated in a beautiful setting in the village of Upware, close to the River Cam, the centre provides an ideal setting for a family day out.

Activities for visitors to try out on the day will include watercolour painting, mask making, clay modelling, block printing and badge making. Plant a seed or create a mosaic using seeds and pulses. Become a Roman scholar or unravel an eco-trail.

A short walk away is Upware Centre's tranquil Nature Reserve where visitors will be able to follow a Treasure trail, have fun pond dipping, be a minibeast detective or hunt for Jurassic fossils.

Light refreshments will be available and there are picnicking tables in the wildlife garden.

A small admission charge will be made for entry to this event.

For further information tel CEES Upware on 01353 720264 or CEES enquiries line see left.

Maps at Wandlebury

Over the past three years school children from KS 2, 3 and 4, as well as some adult groups have loved running through Wandlebury's woodland and grassland using pin punches to mark their maps, proving they have visited the correct control posts. Orienteering is energetic, exciting, slightly competitive and a superb way of learning to set the map to the ground, relate the symbols on the map to real features and carefully navigate along a chosen route. Orienteering sessions are now being extended so that groups may orienteer for a full day, allowing time for the introduction of basic compass use and more practical experience.

Other educational activities on offer at Wandlebury Country Park include the popular 'hands on' nature trail, pond investigations and environmental art. A wide range of events aimed at individuals and families is also offered, including guided walks, fun days, orienteering, bird and bat box making, and the annual Science Festival open day. (on Sunday 16th March this year). More details from tel 01223 243830 or visit www.cpswandlebury.org.

Fascinating habitats at RSPB Fowlmere

Many Cambridgeshire schools like to enjoy the exciting Living Classrooms programme at the RSPB's Fowlmere Nature Reserve. Delivered by trained field teachers and linked to the national curriculum, the programme offers a great opportunity to get closer to nature, explore woodland, wetland and meadow habitats and get up close to birds, animals and plants. Teachers may book half or full day visits to suit their needs. For further details contact Audrey Williams, lead field teacher, on 01767 650834 or visit www.rspb.org.uk/teaching or contact Sharon Sanderson, REPB Education Officer tel 01603 697525

Linton Zoo honoured for

"Fur, Feathers, Scales and Dinosaurs"

Linton Zoo was congratulated by the zoo world following a prestigious awards ceremony held at Marwell Zoological Park and attended by over 100 people. Linton Zoo was commended in recognition for its pioneering work on Fur, Feathers, Scales and Dinosaurs, an interactive and fun educational talk for Primary school children. A certificate was presented to Linton Zoo by Charles Walker M.P on behalf of BIAZA (British and Irish Association of Zoos and Aquariums).

This award highlights the Zoo's efforts in providing a fun and informative session using props to bring learning to life. This award-winning programme demonstrates how modern zoos can be a powerful force for conservation, tackling issues such as species extinction in the wild.

Held annually for over a decade, the BIAZA awards recognise outstanding contributions and achievements in the fields of wildlife conservation, advances in animal welfare and husbandry, sustained breeding programmes, marketing, PR, education, research, enclosure design and individual outstanding achievement. See www.lintonzoo.com.

New website launched for Peterborough teachers

www.greenerschools.co.uk is a new website developed by Peterborough Environment City Trust (PECT) which makes it easy for teachers to access local and national environmental resources. The site, which was launched in October, is a one-stop-shop covering a range of environmental topics from climate change, to local wildlife, from renewable energy, to growing your own vegetables. Containing a comprehensive list of all environmental resources available in Peterborough, Greener Schools includes, visits, workshops, teacher training and packs. There are also a wide range of websites and some regional resources.

At the launch in October, which was held at the Voyager School in Peterborough, support from teachers was overwhelming. Comments included, "Excellent! Just what we needed. Well done.", "A useful tool. Thanks."

The site was developed following a series of workshops between local teachers and environmental education providers, with the teachers having a major input in designing the format of the site. Since the launch the number of registered users continues to rise every week currently standing at 62. The resources are updated regularly to ensure that the information is accurate. In addition there is a calendar listing local events which might be of interest either to teachers or pupils or both.

Due to the increasing number of resources listed, currently at 83, the search engine will be modified in the next month to allow searches to be refined by location and format of resource. Other developments are in the pipeline for the site, so watch this space

Access to environmental education workshop

The Wildlife Trust is offering the opportunity for Peterborough teachers to discover how they can use their local environment to increase students' appreciation and knowledge of the natural environment whilst also meeting the needs of both the curriculum and extended schools programme.

Wildlife Trust staff are experienced environmental educators who aim to empower teachers to lead their own outdoor education sessions.



Location: Eye Church of England Primary School

Date: Tuesday 4th March

Time: 4pm to 6pm

The workshop charge is £20 per person and payment is requested with booking.

Wildlife-rich local nature reserves and school grounds are areas of untapped educational potential. These workshops will encourage and assist teachers to develop and use these resources. Whilst also highlighting the support the Wildlife Trust can offer in terms of advice, services and further training opportunities.

These workshops are bought to you through the **Wild Schools** project.

Wild Schools is the exciting new project from the Wildlife Trust to help schools Go Wild! The Wildlife Trust is working in partnership with Peterborough City Council to help deliver Extended Schools Services. A menu of exciting new services is now being offered to schools in Peterborough to help them use the environment to enhance children's and young people's lives.

For further information on the Wild Schools project or to book a place on one of the workshops contact Wild Schools Officer, Becky Naman, on 01733 890419 or email becky.naman@wildlifebcnp.org.

The Year of Food and Farming at Sacrewell

During the Year of Food and Farming a host of events is on offer for school parties at Sacrewell Farm and Country Centre near Peterborough.

From 1 March to 20 April visitors to **Spring Fun at Sacrewell** are invited to bottle feed the spring lambs and see and hold the newly hatched chicks. Other activities include tractor and trailer rides, tours of the watermill, orienteering trails and visits to the shire horse centre.

Following its very successful **Festival of Food and Farming** in September 2007, next Autumn will see an even bigger festival on 13 to 14 September.

For details visit www.sacrewell.org.uk or tel 01780 782254

Re-claim, Re-use, Re-Store

Peterborough's local re-use and recycle store offers a vast range of useful materials for schools. Local businesses donate their unwanted goods, which provide a goldmine for schools. The materials are especially useful for art, design and technology. Subscribing to Re-Store entitles schools to fill a shopping trolley every week with their choice of materials. Details from 01733 371760 or www.compasspeterboroughltd.com

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DIARY DATES

Date	Event and Venue	Contact
Fri 22 Feb	Every Child's Future Matters - Regional Sustainable Schools Seminar , Cambridge	Anne.finnane@Globaltolocal.com
Fri 29 Feb	Quiz Night , CEES Stibbington Centre	01780 782386 cees.stibbington@cambridgeshire.gov.uk
Tues 4 March	Access to Environmental Education Workshop , Eye Primary School	01733 890419 becky.naman@wildlifebcnp.org
Weds 5 March	Cambs & P'boro Environmental Education Network meeting, Wisbech Castle	CEES, as above
7 – 16 March	National Science and Engineering Week	www.the-b.a.net
Sun 9 Mar	Open Day, CEES Upware Centre	CEES, as above or tel 01353 720264
Tues 11 March	ExpoEd, Trade Fair on Sustainability suppliers show, Burgess Hall, St Ives	01223 717599 or chris.nunn@cambridgeshire.gov.uk
Thurs 13 March	National Sustainable Schools Seminar , Cambridge	CEES, as above
Sun 16 March	Open Day, Wandlebury Country Park	01223 243830. www.cpswandlebury.org
Mon 7 April	Growing Schools Conference: The Creative Outdoor Classroom , Birmingham	www.teachernet.gov.uk/growingschools/news
Fri 11 April	Crunchy Carrots, Power Rangers and bedtime stories – Reviewing residential experience , CEES, Stibbington Residential Centre	CEES, as above
April: Fri 11 Tues 15 Thurs 17 Mon 21	Learning in the school grounds – Taster workshops for teachers and TAs: Key stage 2 @ CEES Upware Centre Key stage 1 @ CEES Upware Centre Key stage 2 @ CEES Stibbington Centre Key stage 1 @ CEES Stibbington Centre	CEES, as above
Sat 19 April	Launch of WATCH group , Ramsey Heights Countryside Classroom	01353 664745 helen.moore@wildlifebcnp.org.uk
Weds 23 April	Teachers meeting and tour , Ramsey Heights Countryside Classroom	Helen Moore, as above
Mon 5 May	Deadline for entries for Green Schools Award	www.ypte.org.uk/docs/greenschoolawards
Weds 14 May	Eco Schools Assessors course , CEES Stibbington Centre	CEES, as above
Thurs 15 May	Teachers meeting and tour , Ramsey Heights Countryside Classroom	Helen Moore, as above
Sat 17 May	Treasure Hunt , CEES Stibbington Centre	CEES, as above
Sun 8 June	Open Day, CEES Coldham Wind Farm	CEES, as above