

Education for Sustainable Development and Global Citizenship

ESDGC

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Want to develop ESDGC in your school? New opportunities for ESDGC support

This year 42 schools have taken part in the World Education Centre's project funded by the Department for International Development. Ten experienced teachers have been supporting schools to develop ESDGC and there has been excellent feedback.

Now is the chance for your school to take part! We are now recruiting for the second year of the project. As well as support from another teacher you will also receive 2 days' supply cover to release a teacher from classroom duties, the support of the World Education centre staff and resources and an opportunity to join in our end of year conference to share your experiences. Contact Sheila Bennell as soon as possible at s.bennell@bangor.ac.uk

Become a film star - schools' DVD We will soon be beginning work on a DVD featuring schools' work ESDGC development. If you feel your schools has something to offer for this film please contact either Sheila Bennell s.bennell@bangor.ac.uk or Angie Roberts seren-ddu-a-mwncci@hotmail.com

**Already film stars!
Well done Ysgol Tregarth! – new DVD -
Where I Live: Denu, a town in eastern Ghana,
Tregarth, a village in Gwynedd, Wales**
Produced by SoundAffects, this DVD reflects the partnership between Ysgol Tregarth and Ysgol Bodfeurig and Adafienu School and Great Royal Schools Complex in Denu, Ghana. It is designed for use on a classroom whiteboard and supports the Key Stage Two Geography, ESDGC and History Pupils are encouraged to make comparisons with, and reflect more deeply about, their own lives in their own home towns or villages.



Primary School Workshops

Oxfam has given the World Education Centre a new grant to run workshops on 'Education as Right'. Angie Roberts will be doing this work and she will be able to support 15 schools between now and next Easter. If you would like a session in your school please contact either Angie Roberts seren-ddu-a-mwncci@hotmail.com or Sheila Bennell s.bennell@bangor.ac.uk

The BIG READ

World leaders have promised that all children will have a primary education by 2015 but with only 6 years left to go, there are still 75 million children missing out on an education completely. Your pupils can help by joining this year's action – it's a global BIG READ with millions taking part in 100 countries around the world. Keep our leaders to their word by following the action steps at <http://www.sendmyfriend.org/the-big-read>



Win a trip to Africa!

Are your students between 16 and 18 years old? And European? Nothing should stop you from participating in our European Development Youth Prize 2008/09.

It is easy to participate: pupils submit their creative visions on three following topics: "gender equality", "children and youth" or "cultural diversity" related to 'human development' in form of a poster or a video. If you want to go a step further with your pupils you will find a special pedagogical kit, offering supporting material and problem-solving methodologies on a real case study referred to Rwanda in the library section of the website.

Selected by a high-level jury, national winners and runners-up will be awarded with a two-day



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stay in Stockholm, in the framework of the next European Development Days. The winners will also visit an African country, getting a first hand experience of European aid programmes. Read more at: www.dyp2008.org/apps/eun_apps/dyp2008/restricted/index.cfm

MA modules on ESDGC

Do you want to study ESDGC a little deeper to find out about its links with the Skills Framework or learn more about the issues underlying ESDGC? The Bangor University College of Education and Lifelong Learning offers weekend and distance learning master-level modules on ESDGC. These include *Methods, The Interdependent World, Sustainable Change and Citizenship and Social Justice*. Quite a few teachers have now studied these and found them very worthwhile for their teaching. "I've learned a lot and will really remember it because I've actually done it!" Contact Gwen Hughes eds056@bangor.ac.uk for a brochure.

Learn about Global Issues: Level 1 module

The Bangor University College of Education and Lifelong Learning offers an evening course in the autumn term on *Global Citizenship – living with the big picture*. The module is taught by specialists from across the university and contains sessions on climate change, sustainable living, citizenship, conflict and terrorism. This module is relevant to all teachers who want to know about the background to the themes. Contact David Sullivan d.sullivan@bangor.ac.uk or Sheila Bennell s.bennell@bangor.ac.uk for more information or to register contact ll@bangor.ac.uk, tel: 01248 382708

Join up to Fairtrade Schools and win a prize!

Well done to all who contributed to Fairtrade Fortnight 2009. A total of 40,000 people in Wales took part in the banana eating event - many of them being school children from up in the North here! So why not get some recognition for all the hard work you've been doing and apply for Fairtrade Status for your school?



Prizes: The first two schools to receive the Status in each of the counties of Gwynedd, Anglesey and Conwy will receive a special

Fairtrade football along with their certificate (Or Fairtrade Musical Instruments if you already have a football). Oxfam is offering CDs and books to the first of the runners-up. Download the pdf version of the Fairtrade Schools' Action Guide from www.masnachdegcymru.com/schools/resources/49 and see details for applying for Status on-line on page 9. Please get in touch to discuss the possibility of sending evidence through the post (this option will only be available during this summer term). Good luck and thanks. Angie Roberts, Fairtrade Schools' Support Worker seren-ddu-a-mwnci@hotmail.com

BareFootTrail

GreenWood Forest Park, North Wales's leading family attraction, opened its new and exciting attraction for 2009 at the end of March. The BareFootTrail allows you to go back in time walking barefoot like your ancestors over a variety of terrains including pebbles, bark, sand, slate and even mud. Not only does this promise to be fun for all the family but you will feel rejuvenated for days afterwards. The BareFoot Trail was opened by Minister for Heritage, Alun Ffred Jones AM on Friday 20th March 2009.



Level 1 training course in Philosophy for Children for primary school teachers - 11 and 12 June 2009 – Temple of Peace, Cardiff. If you want to get your pupils thinking critically and creatively, then this 2-day course is for you. It provides a full introduction to the Philosophy for Children (P4C) method of education.

As well as helping to deliver subject areas, P4C can enhance Personal and Social Education, Education for Sustainable Development and Global Citizenship, and the Thinking Skills requirements of the 2008 national curriculum. This non-residential course is charged at **£225 per person** (£160 for a 2nd or subsequent teacher from the same school), which covers: 2 full days of training; Lunch and refreshments on both days; Course handouts; 2 SAPERE Level 1 Handbooks for your school, a SAPERE certificate, and the chance to join SAPERE for £15 (usually £30) For more details see www.cewc-cymru.org.uk/p4c

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ESDGC - Training days for teachers 2009

The Education Department at the Centre for Alternative Technology is running training days for secondary teachers to help them deliver the new curriculum with a particular focus on how each subject can be related to ESDGC. All the courses will take place at CAT from 10.00 – 3.00, and will include tea, coffee, lunch and an introduction to CAT.

We can also arrange training days for all of the teachers in your school – either you can come to us or we can come to you. Contact the education department for more details.

Dates

16/10/09 ESDGC for Mathematics KS3-4
23/10/09 ESDGC for Humanities KS3-4
02/11/09 ESDGC for Science KS3-4
03/11/09 ESDGC for Arts & Languages KS3-4
04/11/09 ESDGC for D&T KS3-4
09/11/09 ESDGC for PSE KS3-4

For more details about these and other education opportunities, training, workshops and events at CAT please see the CAT website www.cat.org.uk/teachers or contact Anita Schwartz at education@cat.org.uk or on (01654) 705983.

Moelyci Environmental Centre – climate change project

Thanks to the Meteorological Office and Environment Wales we have a weather station at Moelyci which enables us to take daily weather records and equipment to study habitat microclimates. We will be using the data we collect to monitor climate changes over the next few years. In conjunction with the weather monitoring project we are starting another project to record wildlife sightings e.g. when migratory birds arrive, when plants flower and when moths fly. We can then relate the wildlife data to the weather/ microclimate data to learn more about the effect that climate change has on our wildlife. We will use the results in our conservation courses and for some of our group visits. If you would like to get involved in the project or find out about our courses contact us on 01248 602793 or email office@moelyci.org

ESDGC Training for Trainers

There are still a few places available on this year's residential OCN accredited Training for Trainers in ESDGC course. The course will take

place on 16-18 June 2009 at Broneirion Conference Centre, Llandinam, Powys. For more information or to sign up for the course, please contact annette@cyfanfyd.org.uk.

Join a schools' Arctic Survey project

Catlin Arctic Survey is undertaking an expedition this year to do systematic monitoring through ice cores etc. of the decreasing thickness of arctic ice as a result of climate change and global warming. They have an education programme directed at schools. Please visit www.catlinarcticsurvey.com and click the education button on the top right corner for information on how to join the project and how to obtain an information pack.

Congratulations to Ysgol Glan Gele

They have won The Top Nursery / Infants School of the Year at the Eco-Schools national Awards ceremony. They have taken on various activities such as developing links in Africa and creating a garden on a plot of unused land in the community. Along with other main prize winners they received a £500 cheque and specially commissioned trophy made from reclaimed materials.

Congratulation to Ysgol Llanllechid

Ysgol Llanllechid has been named June's school of the month on the British Council Wales website for its excellence in international linking.

Food 4u: Healthy Eating Is A Lifestyle

A correct diet makes for a longer, healthier life. What is your opinion on the importance of a correct diet? **Discuss it in class and tell us about it in a video spot: participate in the 2009 FOOD 4U Competition!**

The Italian Ministry for Agricultural, Food and Forestry Policies invites all of you, students and teachers of European Secondary Schools, to participate in the 2009 FOOD 4U Competition.

Make a spot on the importance of educated dietary choices, voice your ideas and suggestions and express your generation's creativity on the theme of the risks of an incorrect nutritional regime and on the value of balanced eating patterns. The 32 finalist school groups will receive an exciting award: a stay in Italy to participate in the 2009 FOOD 4U Video Festival. *Deadline: 29 May 2009* Read more <http://www.food-4u.it/> Contact video@food-4u.it

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CO2 on the way to school - still time to join!

Come and join in with thousands of schools worldwide and compare your CO2 footprint for your travel to school. The site will be open all next year. Only 7 Welsh schools have registered but over 67 for Jordan, and 43 from Malaysia, for example. Join up at www.co2nnect.org

All-Sector Workshop for ESDGC

Pavilion Conference Centre, Llandrindod Wells, 25 June 2009: Join us for the day to discuss

"Where next for ESDGC?". We are coming to the end of the current Welsh Assembly Government action plan for ESDGC. We need to develop a vision for ESDGC through to 2014. Who needs to do what by when?, how will we know if we are making progress? what partnerships are essential to progress? where are the synergies between the active educational sectors? To register contact Jane.Nettleton@Wales.gsi.gov.uk

RESOURCES

New Key Stage 2/3 publication – 'Globetrotters Club' from Pezzalozzi - Fun activities to engage children in global citizenship.

This new handbook and CD provide ten after school sessions exploring a number of countries and a range of issues such as climate change, rich and poor, and conflict resolution. It is also suitable for youth groups.

Cost of the publication: £25 plus p&p

For more information and a complimentary copy of the resource, please contact:

lesley.shareif@pestalozzi.org.uk

Tel.: 01424 870444 Or visit our website:

www.pestalozzi.org.uk



ESDGC Study Centre, Bangor University

The World Education Centre has a new resources study centre in the Normal Site Library dedicated to ESDGC.

We have a wonderful range of resources including books, teaching packs, videos and DVDs. Why not come here and spend some out-of-classroom

time planning for next year? Once teachers have found this centre they come back time after time!

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New Resource for Secondary Schools

TIDE recently launched *Enabling a Connected Curriculum* – opportunities for global learning at key stage 3 which explores teaching and learning strategies to best meet the needs of learners in a changing global context. See www.tidec.org

Christian Aid Monthly Assemblies

Primary and Secondary Assemblies of the month with PowerPoint are now available on Learn in English and Welsh on the links below. They focus on the right to education and support the Send My Friend Campaign which takes place during April. The Primary assembly includes a case study from Afghanistan and pupils in a school in Wales, and the secondary focuses on Egypt and Angola.

http://learn.christianaid.org.uk/TeachersResource/s/primary/primaryassembly_apr09.aspx

http://learn.christianaid.org.uk/TeachersResource/s/secondary/secondaryassembly_apr09.aspx

New Chembakolli Pack

ActionAid is launching a new edition of the best selling Chembakolli:



Life and change in an Indian Village photopack – packed full of new images and stories, as well as updates from characters in previous packs it brings Chembakolli to life in the classroom. In addition, ActionAid is giving away a free pack to the first 50 schools that call 01460 23 8000 with the code Mahout! Download a free sample photocard, fund pop-up model activity and the teachers' guide at

www.actionaid.org.uk/lifeandchange.

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