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Environmental calendar 2009

Important green dates for schools

In 2009, the following International Years will be celebrated.

- International Year of Human Rights Learning
- International Year of Reconciliation
- International Year of Natural Fibres
- International Year of Astronomy

(Note: As these special years are selected by the United Nations, it is useful to search UN websites for up-to-date information: www.unep.org or www.un.org.au.

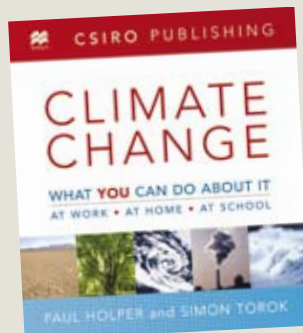
Also visit: www.environment.gov.au/about/media/events/index.html or try Google).



Planet Ark's Schools Tree Day

Friday 31 July 2009

<http://treeday.planetark.org/schools>



Climate Change: What You Can Do About It

By Paul Holper & Simon Torok

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Event/day/week

Date or start date

Website

Term 1

World Wetlands Day	2 February	www.wetlandcare.com.au
Schools Clean Up Day	27 February	www.cleanup.com.au/au/Campaigns/overview-scutd.html
Clean Up Australia Day	1 March	www.cleanup.com.au
Seaweed	1 March	www.mesa.edu.au/seaweed.asp
Sun-Earth Day	20 March	http://sunearthday.nasa.gov/2009/index.php
World Forestry Day	21 March	www.dse.vic.gov.au
World Water Day	22 March	www.worldwaterday.org
World Meteorological Day	23 March	www.wmo.ch/wmd

Term 2

Earth Day	22 April	www.earthday.net
International Composting Awareness Week	4 May	www.compostweek.com.au
World Migratory Bird Day	9 May	www.worldmigratorybirdday.org
Walk Safely to School Day	15 May	www.walk.com.au
International Day for Biological Diversity	22 May	www.cbd.int/ibd/
World Turtle Day	23 May	www.hsus.org
Walk the World	1 June	www.fighthunger.org
World Environment Day	5 June	www.unep.org/wed/
World Oceans Day	8 June	www.theoceanproject.org/wod/
World Day to Combat Drought and Desertification	17 June	www.unccd.int

Term 3

World Population Day	11 July	www.unfpa.org/wpd/
Schools Tree Day	31 July	http://treeday.planetark.org/schools
National Tree Day	2 August	http://treeday.planetark.org
National Science Week	15 August	www.scienceweek.info.au
Keep Australia Beautiful Week	24 August	www.kab.org.au
Wattle Day	1 September	www.wattleday.asn.au
Landcare Week	31 August	www.landcareaustralia.com.au
Biodiversity Month	1 September	www.environment.gov.au/biodiversity/month.html
Save the Koala Month	1 September	www.savethekoala.com/savethekoalamonth.html
National Threatened Species Day	7 September	www.environment.gov.au/biodiversity/threatened/ts-day/
Sustainable House Day	12 September	www.solarhouseday.com
Clean Up the World Weekend	19 September	www.cleanuptheworld.org
International Day for the Preservation of the Ozone Layer	16 September	www.unep.ch/ozone/
World Carfree Day	22 September	www.worldcarfree.net/wcfd/

Term 4

World Animal Week	1 October	www.wwf.org.au www.wspsa.org.au
World Habitat Day	5 October	www.unhabitat.org
Earth Science Week	11 October	www.ga.gov.au/about/event/
National Water Week	12 October	www.awa.asn.au/nationalwaterweek/
World Food Day	16 October	www.fao.org/wfd/
Solar Week	19 October	www.solarweek.org
UNICEF Day for Change	22 October	www.unicefdayforchange.org.au
United Nations Day	24 October	www.un.org/events/unday/
National Recycling Week	9 November	http://recyclingweek.planetark.org
Coastcare Week	1 December	www.coastcare.com.au
International Mountain Day	11 December	www.fao.org/mnts/intl_mountain_day_en.asp

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