

# Sustainable Schools events

## **Alnwick Garden – Family fun science weekend and Doorways to Sustainable Schools Saturday 13 and Sunday 14 March 2010 Open from 10.00 am until 16.00 pm**

Teachers and Governors from the North East are invited to a family fun science weekend which also incorporates some great ideas and advice on how to become a Sustainable School. There will be interactive displays, handouts and representatives for each of the eight doorways which make up the way to succeed in becoming a Sustainable School by the target year of 2020. You will be pleasantly surprised how your current projects and policies can contribute to the criteria for each doorway. In addition, your family can enjoy coming face to face with science, creepy crawlies, snakes and physicists.

Turn up to the event with proof of employment or involvement with your school. Go to the teachers' registration desk and you will be issued with a pass for up to two adults and four children under the age of 16.

## **Durham and Sunderland - Sustainable Schools Fayre for schools Tuesday 9 March at Science Learning Centre North East, Durham**

This event will provide schools not already engaged with the agenda, with an opportunity to learn more about the National Framework for Sustainable Schools and the eight doorways through which schools can start to develop sustainable schools activity. Regional organisations will be on hand to provide advice on how to engage in the eight doorways, as well as giving you the opportunity to hear from schools who are already well on their pathways to becoming sustainable!

Attendance to the event is by **prior invitation only**, but if you would like to be put on a reserve list, please email Monica Angus at Science Learning Centre North East [monica.angus@durham.ac.uk](mailto:monica.angus@durham.ac.uk) including your **school name, phone number and contact person**.

There are two sessions to choose from at the Sustainable Schools Fayre:

- 12.30 - 15.00 Aimed at teachers and pupils, looking at ways in which pupils and the whole school community can help their school become sustainable. (Lunch provided)
- 15.30 - 18.00 Aimed at senior management, looking at ways you can strategically drive your school(s) forward to becoming a Sustainable School. (Afternoon tea provided)

## **Tees Valley Sustainable Schools conference Monday 29 March (12.00 pm – 16.30 pm) at the Middlesbrough Teaching and Learning Centre, Cargo Fleet Lane, Middlesbrough**

This event aims to give senior management and Governors an insight into the Sustainable Schools agenda, with a focus on curriculum learning and drivers for school improvement. Guest speakers include Leszek Ivaskow (OFSTED) and Ian Taylor (DCSF). Although primarily for Tees Valley schools, schools from other regions will be welcome to attend. **To book a place please email Andrea Carling [andrea.carling@groundwork.org.uk](mailto:andrea.carling@groundwork.org.uk) or telephone 01287 625 3263.**

**Free Prize Draw:** Schools who are represented at any of the three events above are invited to complete a feedback form and drop it in the entry box provided there. One winning school will be the lucky recipient of a paid-for, hired coach, for up to 50 passengers and free entry to either Alnwick Gardens or Washington Wetland Centre at a mutually convenient date.

One entry per school. Draw to take place at the final event on Monday 29 March at Tees Valley Sustainable Schools conference. Prize to be taken before 31 December 2010.