

Earth Day

Local schools, groups celebrate 25th anniversary

Today is the 25th anniversary of Earth Day, which was established to promote awareness of our natural environment and to encourage its protection.

As part of its Earth Day celebrations, Whitchurch Highlands Public School held an assembly Friday afternoon to launch its habit restoration project, which is a long term plan to develop a natural environment in the school grounds.

A ceremonial tree planting was to take place, but was delayed because of yesterday's rain. Students will be planting bare root trees in the habit restoration area the week of May 6.


The parent group has been encouraging students to bring in litterless lunches and students and staff were asked to wear

green clothing to school on Friday.

Ballantrae Public School has deferred some of its Earth Week activities until the weather is warmer, when intermediate students will be working on a natural area at the back of the school yard.

As with other local schools, recycling and responsible use of resources are part of every day education.

Students from all classes at St. Mark Catholic School were involved in an 'earth cleaning bee,' a giant clean-up of classrooms and the school office Friday. T-shirts from the Ministry of the Environment were presented to one student in each class in acknowledgment of their efforts during the event.

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