

Go Green Week 2017

Student Report

GO GREEN WEEK **Go Green Week 6 - 11th February 2017** **GO GREEN WEEK**

NEW Loyalty Card - Attend events, get stamps and claim a free a chilli plant & pizza.
Nature trail puzzle - Register at Hines reception - St John's Campus walk the University Mile - two versions, one for kids
Food bank - donations accepted Hines Building
Money off hot drinks - 15p off all hot drinks on campus if you bring your own cup. Keep Cups £5.45 (10% off) all week

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
NATURE Sustainability Fair 11:00-2:00pm - Learn about the issues and join campaigns - Lots of stalls - Ethically sourced jewellery - Free poppy seeds - Design a climate change work of art Community Litterpick 2:30 - 3:30pm Meet at Malvern Gate	FOOD & HEALTH Food & Health Fair 10:00-2:00pm - Bake off/cake sale - Veggie and vegan food samples - Study Happy - Edible crickets! Cooking demo starting 12:30 & 1:30pm Learn cheap quick easy recipes - Local Food Lunches - Love Food Hate Waste Make pancakes 7:00-8:00pm Quiz - food section 8:30pm	RE-USE Repair Café 11:00-2:00pm Bring items for repair: - Bikes, get free safety check - Clothes, get free sewing repairs - Need items gluing? Also; - Create a dressing up costume - Re-use carnival games - Design a climate change work of art	ENERGY Chilli Plant Giveaway 10:30-2:30pm St Johns Campus Main Reception *bring full stamp card to get a free chilli plant - Climate change art work show Powerstation run on waste 1:15 - 2:00pm EE 1026 lunchtime talk Meditation in Movement 2:30-4pm The Hive Free meditation session	TRANSPORT Transport stalls 11:00-2:00pm St Johns Campus Main Reception - First Bus - Car share promotion - Free bike security marking FREE Pizza 12:00 - 2:00pm University Allotment Forensic House garden Severn Gate SATURDAY Repair Café 11am start STARS Day Care Centre

All activities in the Students' Union, unless otherwise advertised

 University of Worcester

Monday 6th February: Nature

Sustainability Fair

Staff and students flocked to get free chili plants we had grown and poppy seeds we had packaged. This was to encourage others to grow their own food and plants in order to be more sustainable. Worcestershire Wildlife Trust, Greenpeace, Friends of the Earth and RSPB set up stalls at the Sustainability Fair in the Students' Union. The RSPB set up the stall to inform people about different nature around campus and how to make the environment a better place for nature, with handy guides for people to gain more information. The Worcestershire Wildlife Trust left leaflets to give out information about events they were holding and their contact information. The Friends of the Earth were encouraging people to sign their petition to stop fracking and they also gave other pieces of information out on bees. Greenpeace set up a stall with leaflets and information on being kinder to the planet around us.

Nature on Campus photograph competition

Popular as ever the photo competition received lots of entries from both staff and students. All uploaded to Facebook the winner receiving a voucher got the most 'likes' .





Litter pick

We carried out a litter pick in the street close to campus and much to our surprise found that members of the community praised and encourage us during the litter pick demonstrating how much they appreciated what we were doing.



Tuesday 7th February: Food and Health

Local Food Fair

On Tuesday, we ran many activities to raise awareness for sustainability in food production and consumption by holding a bake sale, baking contest as well as a food fair and food bank collections. The food fair involved the vegan society, Worcester Produce local veg store, part-time carnivore sign up and a cooking demonstrations all of which encouraged students and staff to change their habits in terms of consumption and inspired new meal ideas to use locally and ethically sourced ingredients, particularly Fairtrade in baking.



Wednesday 8th February: Re-use

Wednesday was our reuse day and for the whole day we had our carnival games made out of reusable materials, repair café and arts and crafts with unitots. We also had organisations, such as Weir Waste come in to support us and promote the message of how important it is to reuse materials again and again. Although attendance was lacking at the start it began to increase as the day went on showing that reuse day was successful overall.

Unitots arts and crafts

One of our stalls for the day was an arts and crafts stall for the unitots children. The children came round to the Student's union where they were given a talk on how materials can be used again to decorate different things and also why we were giving them the opportunity to do this. The children then spent an hour decorating their own hand clappers, which became very messy. The hand clappers and the shapes and stickers the unitots children used to decorate them were brought from Worcester Resource Exchange. The activity was successful and left the children feeling proud and happy of their creations. The feedback given by the Unitots staff and the children indicated that we worked well with the children at their level and that they had gained an understanding of the importance of reusing materials again and again instead of throwing them away.



Reuse Carnival Games

We also had a stall of entertainment for all staff and students and Worcester University. These were the carnival games made out of reusable materials. The rules of the game were as follows: earn less than 10 points a medal is won, earn more than 10 points a medal and a stationary bin from Weir Waste is won. We explained these rules to the participants, let them have a go at the games, and we interviewed them about Reuse Day and Go Green Week to see if it has had an impact on them as individuals. The games included the ring toss, bowling alley, target shot and smash the rat. The ring toss was made out of old toilet roles, small pipes and cone stands. The bowling alley was made out of stickers, cones and a tennis ball. The target shot was made with a piece of wood, netting and spray lids. Smash the rat was made from a pipe, coloured paper, cable wheel and fabric. All the items used to create the games were all brought from Worcester Resource Exchange. The games were a big success because the staff and students who participated said that the games were very entertaining, they have taught them a lot about sustainability and how materials can be used again to make something fun and interactive.



Repair Café

The repair café was another successful stall on Reuse Day. Although there was a lack of attendance to start with at the beginning, more and more people came in and got things repaired. Many said that it was really useful and they felt like it got the message of how materials can be repaired instead of being thrown out. The repairs were mainly focused on bikes and clothing and everyone who had their things repaired were given guidance and advice on how repairs can be made and if they cannot be repaired. We were also joined by Weir Waste who promoted and highlighted the importance of recycling and reusing. Hence this emphasised and enhanced our message and the awareness of reusing materials again. We also had the University of Worcester sewing team at reuse day showing visitors how old fabrics can be used again to make other things, such as the rat that was used in the carnival game smash the rat. Overall, Wednesday was a successful day as part of Go Green Week, and had support and interest from both staff and students. We believe we have achieved and reached our goals of promoting and raising awareness of reusing materials again and again.



Thursday 9th February: Energy

Energy Awareness

We began the day by setting up a stall for a visitor from 'Act on Energy', who was advising staff and students on how to save energy in their home.

Cakes baked during the baking contest were sold in main reception throughout the day when the energy awareness stall.





A collection of arts themed on climate change was created by illustrators, students and community members throughout the Go Green Week. The art work was displayed in main reception during energy day. Students who organised the artwork asked university staff and student to provide opinions on the artwork.



Friday 10th February: Transport

Travel Advise

First Bus came hosted a stall in the main reception and offered promotion tickets and travel information. The car-share was promoted throughout the week and at the travel information stall on Friday.

Due to the weather conditions on the day it was necessary to cancel cooking pizza on the cob oven