

**ESD Day at Stranmillis University, Belfast
29 October 2010**

Feedback Summary

Workshops provided by: RSPB, Belfast City Council Waste Division

Overall: The overall feedback on the day was very favourable, the students loved the activities of both workshops and could easily use them to teach a great lesson in the classroom. They found both workshop leaders very helpful and informative and willing to support with props and website information when out on teaching practice in the classroom.

What did you learn from the day?

- ❖ The different activities that can be used from both agencies
- ❖ The importance of sustainable development in the classroom
- ❖ Lots of ways of teaching sustainability
- ❖ Local bird population problems
- ❖ Useful re-cycling tips
- ❖ The amount of resources and help available
- ❖ That organisations are willing to come into the classroom to support your teaching

What were the good points of the day?

- ❖ Practical activities that can be used in the classroom
- ❖ Very interactive
- ❖ Showed us methods/lessons
- ❖ The examples were great
- ❖ Loved making the wee grass man
- ❖ The videos were excellent
- ❖ Very informative and interesting
- ❖ Knowing so many resources available

What could be improved upon?

- ❖ Loved it all
- ❖ Would have longer sessions
- ❖ All very useful

Did you find the speakers useful/ interesting?

- ❖ Both very good, kept me engaged all the time
- ❖ Both very passionate
- ❖ The information has given me confidence to deliver lessons in this subject

What would you like future training sessions to include?

- ❖ More resources we can take away with us
- ❖ More practical elements
- ❖ More time
- ❖ More organisations to give a wider picture
- ❖ Actual lesson ideas

Was getting to and from the workshops on time easy/ok/difficult?

- ❖ No problems was straightforward

RSPB:***Overall feedback from 15 students.***

The students really enjoyed the activities offered in this workshop, the puffin snappers, the bird puzzles and they really loved the videos. The migration story was very interesting and informative and again could be easily used in the classroom. All and all a very well received workshop.

Overall score: 4.5**Belfast City Council Waste Division*****Overall feedback from 15 students.***

The students enjoyed doing the grass heads activity and commented on how it would appeal to students of all ages, and could be used to cover many elements of the curriculum. A really good workshop.

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