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Earth Day News

Earth Day is approaching, this year it's Wednesday 22nd April. If you're organising any events that you'd like people to know about then let us know and we'll feature them in next month's newsletter. The deadline will be 14th April.

One event Raven and Zero Waste Yukon have set up for schools is Waste On Your Waist. If you're not familiar with the idea, it involves collecting all the waste one person produces in a 24 hour period and then assessing it. Most of us just throw it in the garbage or recycling bin and forget it. So, this is a good way to find out how much waste you produce in a day, even if it can be recycled or composted. There is a free toolkit for interested teachers with all the necessary items plus information and advice from Raven. If you are a teacher and are interested in taking part then the deadline for ordering kits is Friday 13th March. If you know

a teacher who might be interested then let them know. More details are on our website.

Waste On Your Waist isn't just for students, anyone can give it a go. Maybe your office or organisation is interested. Contact Danny the Education Coordinator at Raven if you want to know more.

Compost News

If you haven't already heard, the City of Whitehorse is running a compost program for buildings not currently served by the green carts. If you live in a condo or apartment building or you're interested in having compost collected at your workplace then contact the Organics Coordinator at organics@whitehorse.ca

Zero Waste

The Whitehorse Chamber of Commerce is holding a 2 day business event later this month and they have decided to make it a Zero Waste event. Well done to them on making that decision! Holding a Zero Waste event isn't as difficult as you might think. Take a look at zerowasteyukon.ca for some tips.

Public Drop-off Update

We're still doing the same as before as regards working towards reopening. Here is where things stand now:

Raven Recycling is working hard, speaking with YG and the City of Whitehorse frequently, to determine what can be done to open the public drop-off. There are too many variables at this point to anticipate the outcome. We're hoping we'll hear some positive news in the next couple of months. Please don't stop talking about the importance of this issue with your City Councillors and MLAs.

"We have met the enemy and he is us." - Walt Kelly in the Pogo comic strip for Earth Day 1971.



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