Dear Teachers,

**Mornington Peninsula Schools Environment Week will be held at The Briars 450 Nepean Highway Mt Martha from Monday 25th to Thursday 28th March 2019.**

**Times are:**

**Morning session: 9.30 – 11.30am**

**Lunchtime Entertainment: 11.30am – 12.10pm**

**Afternoon session: 12.15 – 2.15pm**

**This event offers a variety of learning experiences to support the Victorian Curriculum. We bring together experts from across Victoria and from groups on the Mornington Peninsula to provide a broad range of activities that engage students in nature, inform them about their local and global environment and inspire students to take action for a more sustainable way of living.**

**BRIARS PROGRAMS** We have four great 2 hour in depth programs. Students participate in two hands on activities in the two hour program with a maximum of 60 students in each program to ensure greater engagement.

**The following programs are available for Primary school students Years 1-6:**

* ***Engaging with Nature Through Mindfulness & Art***: 1. Environmental Art & nature exploration in the new Nature Nook with artist Mandy Nelson 2. Wetlands Birds, Sensory Walk & Mind mapping
* ***Indigenous Connection to Country***: 1 Indigenous Heritage with Warringinee Group 2 Cultured Kids with Lionel Lauch FULLY BOOKED
* ***Briars Homestead Then and Now***: 1. Exploring the Briars Homestead buildings 2 Heritage Gardens, herbs and vegetables

**And one program available for Years 3-6**

* **Sustainable Living**: 1 Sustainable Shoppers in the Eco Living Centre 2 ReNEWable Energy with Prime Science FULLY BOOKED

**EXPO PADDOCK PROGRAM is available to Kindergarten to Year 6**:

There are 20 activities based around the concepts of which you can explore for the day or half day:

* ***Waste Not Want Not:*** investigating sustainability issues, concepts and ideas
* ***Green Thumb:*** Life cycles, growth and change of plants
* ***Wildlife Wonders:*** Living things and their environment
* ***Habitat Heroes:*** Communities caring for their environment

The programs details are on the website.

**We have fantastic support from many local organisations and sponsors which has enabled us to keep the entry price down**

* **$10 for a whole day: Briars program *and* the Expo Paddock or full day Expo Paddock**
* **$7 half day: Briars program *or* Expo Paddock.**
* **Deposit will be required once your booking is confirmed: $120 primary schools, $50 preschools and special settings**

**Bookings open Monday 3rd December and close Monday 4th March. Early bookings are more likely to get the programs they want. I have attached the booking form and program details. Please return the booking form to Heather Tytler at** [**bookings@morningtoneweek.com.au**](mailto:bookings@morningtoneweek.com.au)