



THE GREEN KIDS CLUB NEWSLETTER

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SPECIAL NEWS REPORT

by Ace Reporter Dirk Gently

A large, blue, furry dinosaur has been sighted in Winnipeg and as far away as Churchill. The dinosaur is very friendly and lots of fun! I spoke with a Green Kid who is a friend of the blue fuzzy creature.

"That's **Envirosaurus Rex**," the Green Kid explained. "Rex helps the Green Kids learn about the environment and how to keep the world green. Rex has been on earth for thousands of years and doesn't like how things are going. The air, land and water are not as clean as they used to be."

"Rex's picture has always been on our T-shirts and in the newsletter but now he's back in Winnipeg for good to travel with the Green Kids and have fun protecting the earth. Rex was away at the tag championships! He *LOVES* playing tag whenever he's taking a break from cleaning up the environment."

The reports of Rex sightings continue to come in. Expect to see Rex throughout the summer, and next spring, he may even visit your school. If you meet this dinosaur, you should introduce



yourself as a Green Kids Club member. Club members are Rex's favorite people because they help keep the earth green.

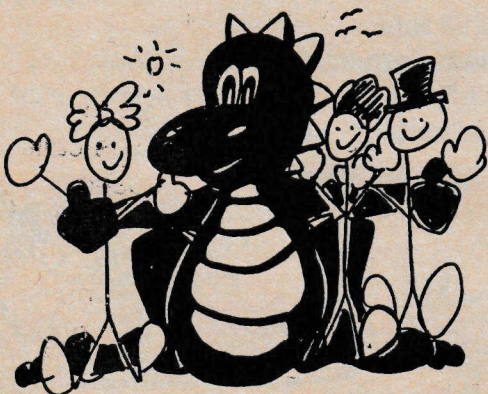
G.K. Club Enviro-outing When: Wednesday, June 22nd at 6:30
Where: Omand Park


DON'T MISS IT!

Rex wants to meet all the club members! He really hopes you and your favorite adults (maybe a parent?) can come to the enviro-outing on June 22nd at 6:30 pm at the Omand's Creek Park. It's on Portage Ave. in Winnipeg, just east of Polo Park.

We'll have fun, games, refreshments (bring your own reusable cup), and learn about why trees are so important. It seems that some busy beavers live in Omand's Creek and they have chewed down a lot of trees. The Green Kids Club is going to plant trees to replace the ones the beavers used.

If the weather looks like rain, please call 888-9272 on the afternoon of the 22nd for details about a rain date.



PLEASE RECYCLE OR PASS ON TO A FRIEND. 

DEAR REX



Rex will answer your questions about the environment.

Send your letters to:
Rex c/o Green Kids
P.O. Box 295
Winnipeg, Manitoba
R3C 2G9

Dear REX,

My family recycles, but I want to do something better than that. What can it be?



Love,
Katie Hartle
Winnipeg, MB

Dear Katie,

It's **great** that you're **recycling!** And I'm glad you want to do more. The two other R's are the next steps. Try to not make garbage! That's **reducing** and **reusing**.

Reducing means having less stuff to throw out or recycle. Some of the easiest ways to **reduce** are to buy things without packaging (like bulk food) or with very little packaging. Only buy things you really need and avoid disposable stuff!

Reusing is a good way to reduce. Have a garbage-free lunch everyday! A bottle, sandwich container and lunch box can all be **reused!** See if your friends have garbage in their lunch and show them how to **reuse!**

Go to the library and look for books about the environment; they'll give you many more ideas.

Reusing is how a library works. One book can be enjoyed by hundreds of people rather than each person buying a book.

I hope this has given you some ideas for what you can do. There are even more tips in this newsletter!



Peace and Love,
REX

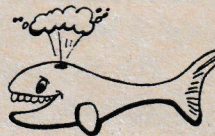
Look up...way up... North!



The Green Kids are going places! All sorts of places. We've performed in Saskatchewan and all over Manitoba. Do you know where Churchill is? Find a map and look - it's far up in Manitoba, on Hudson Bay. The Green Kids and Rex went to Churchill to talk about the environment and see what it's like up north.

People in Churchill have to send recyclables far away. They know how important it is to reduce and reuse so they don't have to ship things to be recycled!

There are really cool animals that go through Churchill at different times of the year. You can see polar bears in the fall,



and beluga whales in the summer. We saw an otter and a hawk!

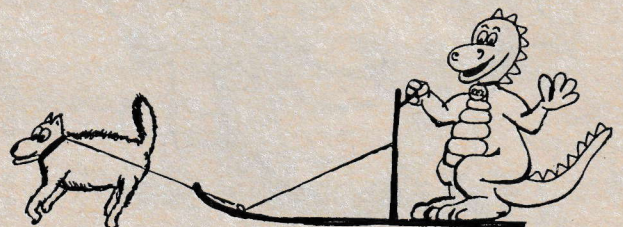
In Churchill, the winter is very long and cold so it takes a long time for things to grow. The Green Kids had to be extra careful not to hurt any plants. Because it is so cold, a small plant or tree can take hundreds or thousands of years to grow!

Churchill is a great place to sit outside and enjoy nature. We sat on warm rocks which had been heated by the sun and listened to the ice crack on Hudson's Bay! It is fun to see different places and learn new things about the environment!

The environment has lots to show us if we look, listen, feel and smell! It's a long way to Churchill, but it's worth the trip!

Thank you to all the people who helped with the Churchill tour:

Parks Canada (especially Rob Watson)
Churchill Ladies Club & Churchill Arts Council
Duke of Marlborough School & Calm Air

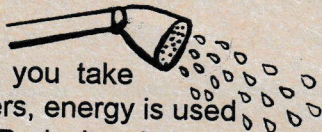


The most important ^{#1} R... **REDUCE!!!**

You all know that reduce is the most important R, but have you thought about all the different things that can be reduced? We know to reduce the amount of garbage we make, but garbage isn't the only thing to reduce.

Every day at home you and your family use energy and water. If you reduce the amount of energy and water you use, then less needs to be taken from the environment and brought to your house.

Next time you have a shower, put the plug in the tub. Wow! A shower uses less water than a bath. Quick showers save even more water! When you reduce the amount of water you use, you also save energy.



BBRRrrrrrr! Unless you take freezing cold showers, energy is used to heat the water. Reducing the water you use, means less has to be heated. Special water-saving shower heads help you reduce the amount of water you use. If you don't have one ask your parents if you can get one.



Turning off lights, the T.V. the radio, the blender and other electric things when you aren't using them is so easy. Reduce the amount of electricity you use by turning them off! There's no reason to waste electricity!

We must try to reduce how much we hurt the environment. Never waste water, electricity, or anything else! Try to change what you do every day. It's all part of being a Green Kid!

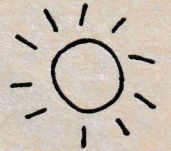
Word SEARCH?



Try to find the hidden words which are all about energy. Look to see what the letters left over suggest we do!

POWER
ENERGY
ELECTRICITY
FOSSIL FUELS
COAL
NATURAL GAS
OIL
WATER
TURBINE
WIND
EXPENSIVE

SOLAR
SUN
NUCLEAR
RENEWABLE
NON-RENEWABLE
ACID RAIN
POLLUTION
SMOG
FLOODING
RADIATION



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GREEN KIDS CHALLENGE!



We challenge you to see how many times you can ride your bike, walk, or rollerblade somewhere instead of getting a ride in a car. Can you get where you're going without making pollution (cars burn gas) 10 times a month? 30 - once a day? **More???**

Keeping your bike tuned up and well oiled will make riding more fun, and will make your bike last longer. It's good for the environment to help things last as long as possible so that they don't have to be replaced as soon.



Join in the Parade!!

Come join Rex and the Green Kids in a parade! We'll be meeting at the legislative grounds at 10:00am on Friday, July 15th. We'll make signs and get ready to join the Fringe Festival parade which starts at noon and goes from the leg to Market Square for the Festival kick-off. It'll be lots of fun! Call 888-9272 for details.

DAY CAMP!

The Green Kids are planning a week-long day camp for this summer! Your days will be filled with enviro-games and crafts and lots of fun and learning about our earth and our environment. Please call Green Kids at 888-9272 if you would like more details about this camp.

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SEASON



We talk a lot about the environment. But what is the environment. Are trees, animals, water, and air? What else is part of the environment? Are you part of it? Where does it end? Is the moon part of our environment? We want to know what you think the environment is. Tell us what the **environment** means to you!

Send your letters to:

Green Kids, Box 295, Winnipeg, MB R3C 2G9

We will print the best answers in our next newsletter. Plus, the winner can invite **Rex** to their school, birthday party, or wherever they want! **Rex** will come and spend some time with you!
How exciting!

Sustainable Development in ACTION !!!

The Economy, Society, and the Environment are struggling to work together in Swan River. A company called Louisiana-Pacific wants to build a wafer board factory near Swan River. The factory would give jobs to hundreds of people. But not only will the factory use trees, it will use chemicals.



So here's how it looks:

Economy: jobs & money in the community

Environment: use of trees and chemicals

Society: Some people want the jobs so their lives will be better, but others are worried about how the chemicals will affect their health and safety.

Right now, people are trying to figure out if this new factory should be built and if the affects to the Economy, Society and Environment can be balanced. Stay tuned to see how this turns out.

We must stop wasting electricity.
HIDDEN MESSAGE:
SOLUTION TO THE WORD SEARCH



Hello to all the new Club Members!

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| Drew Wallace | Tina Zoratti | David Trudeau | Keeley Teramura |
| Karli Klippenstein | Chelsea Harris | Mario Sanchez | Ellen Bees |
| Michelle Begelow | Caitlin Brown | Matthew Exell | Samantha |
| Trevor Schott | Trevor Wares | Eric Kinsman | Carnduff |
| William Dudgeon | Matt McGregor | Talin Gregory | Bobby Hutchinson |
| Kyla Horning | Jamie Larson | Brady D. | Ashley |
| Oscar Sanchez | Jessica Gowanlock | Achtymichuk | Alex Nicholls |
| Taylor Christianson | Jennifer Peron | Katie Guenther | Justin Henry |
| Kathy Clark | Amanda | Matthew Phin | Ian Lodewyks |
| Troy Schott | Sholikowski | Mallory S. Wray | Morgan Supleve |
| Debra Mullin | Sean Edwards | Jenna Pawich | Meg Houston |
| Jenna Davies | Bradley Kohut | Justin Will | Claudia Colosimo |
| Tanya Angenae | Leah Smith | Dana McCallum | Marlies Sargeant |
| Anders Friesen | Coral Maloney | Scott Aarssen | Cortney King |
| Tyler Sholikowski | Skye May | Kendra Dutchak | Michael Banias |
| Maciej Haczkur | Jennifer Carswell | Darcelle Sorsdahl | Bradley Bullard |
| Ali Krassilowsky | Hal Brownlee | Chelsea Klowak | Michael Trick |
| Christie Matechuk | Ryan Bataluk | Aneil Singh | Karen Johnson |
| Eric Johansson | Sarah Foster | Wade Kinley | Bees |
| Kira Mikolasek | Catherine Loeb | Stephanie Okabe | Justin Pryor |
| Sarah Friesen | Diane Ganske | Martyn Whitehead | Michelle Leigh |
| Troy Austin | Krista Wallis | Cameron Zikey | Furniss |
| Jimmy Moir | Jenessa Baert | Scott Aarssen | Jenna Finlay |
| Luke Cooney | Russell Taylor | Eryn Maloney | Lawea Tarte |
| Meghan George | Jimmy Craigie | Taylor Christianson | Robbie Finch |
| Holly Brownlee | Michelle Lee Riel | Dennis Schott | Peter Popiel |
| Luke Funk | Chad Penner | Michelle Downey | Colin Richardson |
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| Shannon Drall | Denyse Wiebe | Miss Brynn Wood | |
| Julie Pride | Brittany Larson | Matthew Austin | |
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| Piatkowska | Kristin | Kristin | |
| Cassandra Cooke | Sigurgeirson | Joel Danyluk | |
| Andrea Sansom | Meaghan White | Riel Gregory | |
| Lee Moir | Ryan DeLong | Alisdair Histed | |