

Wellington Botanic Garden and Grow From Here

# Spring Festival children's programme

A holiday programme full of fun and learning at the  
Wellington Botanic Garden  
**1–5 October 2012**

This holiday programme for eight to 12 year olds will teach gardening skills, explore the Botanic Garden and be lots of fun.

Children may attend for a day or the week – a whole week is encouraged.

Get to know one of the best green learning spaces in Wellington and make it your own.

Dig in the kids' garden, harvest some vegetables for lunch each day, learn about soils and plant types, and discover the best play and picnic spots. Create a personal gardening book. Explore the tropics in the Begonia House. Take part, have fun and learn.

9am–3pm. \$50 per child per day, including lunches and materials.

## MONDAY

### Going green

Start a gardening book.

Set up micro-greens. Make a mini worm farm that you will take home.

Learn how to transplant seedlings and identify basic weeds.

Plant some seeds.

## TUESDAY

### Intrepid explorers

Travel around the world with plants.

Look at what grows where and talk about how to adjust the growing environment.

Learn about bark rubbings and leaf prints.

Go on a treasure hunt.

Explore the bush walks and sculptures.

Enjoy stories with Fairy Trina.

## WEDNESDAY

### Sensations aplenty

Learn what the garden feels like.

Visit the Begonia House.

Enjoy a visit from zoo critters.

Put together a picnic and head outdoors.

Check out the Cable Car, the Cable Car Museum and Carter Observatory.

Play at the playground and explore the stream.

## THURSDAY

### Conservation and survival

Animal tracking and bird watching.

Look close and study the world with a magnifying glass.

Look at how things are interrelated.

Play big and small scale games.

## FRIDAY

### Junior apprentice gardener

Be an apprentice for a morning. Put all your new skills into practice and spend some time with the people who work at the Botanic Garden.

Hang out together for the afternoon and have fun. Get a certificate and maybe a prize.

Enjoy stories with Fairy Trina.

**Numbers:** a session will not run unless there are sufficient numbers (at least 10 children booked). Numbers will be limited to 30 children per session and the supervision ratio will be one adult to five children. No refunds will be given.

Activities may vary according to the weather. Pick up and drop off from the Treehouse Visitor Centre – no vehicles allowed, please walk your children to the Treehouse from the main gate or Cable Car entrance. Please complete the enrolment form and email to [treehouse@wcc.govt.nz](mailto:treehouse@wcc.govt.nz) or post to Botanic Garden Treehouse, PO Box 2199, Wellington 6140.



