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### **PETERBOROUGH CHILDREN'S WATER FESTIVAL**

Peterborough, Ontario

The Peterborough Children's Water Festival is an interactive event held annually at the Riverview Park and Zoo. It teaches students in grades 3 to 6 the importance of our most valuable resource - water. The 2006 Peterborough Children's Water Festival will be celebrating its 5<sup>th</sup> Anniversary this year. It will be held on May 24<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>. We are looking forward to hosting over 2000 students this year. If you have interest in attending, there is still room on May 24 and 25.

The Peterborough Steering Committee adopted the "Children's Water Festival" model of fostering awareness of our youth. It educates others about the importance of water and the need to ensure high quality water resources for future generations and the health of our environment.

The Festival brings together the expertise of educators, water quality and quantity specialists, community volunteers, conservation groups, industry and government. Together, they provide local students with the opportunity to discover the importance and diversity of water.

The Festival consists of 35 interactive activity centres designed to be hands-on, stimulating and fun. These activity centres encourage further understanding of water concepts taught through the Ontario Curriculum.

It's not too late to register, if you are a grade 3 – 6 teacher and would like your class to attend there is still room. The Peterborough Children's Water Festival is a valuable educational experience for your students. You can contact Cate Henderson, Festival Coordinator at 745-3238 or email her at [info@pcwf.net](mailto:info@pcwf.net) for more information. You may also wish to visit the web site at [www.pcwf.net](http://www.pcwf.net).

This ambitious event could not happen without the support and assistance of many dedicated volunteers and professionals from the water management sector, education, community associations, government, business and news media. By generously contributing time, financial support, goods and services, they continue to make the PCWF a memorable learning experience.

To help commemorate the 5<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the festival there will be a flag raising ceremony at City Hall on May 23<sup>rd</sup> at 9:30 a.m. There will also be flags at the Riverview Park and Zoo and Del Crary Park.

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