

You and your class are invited to attend the 2024 Children's Gnangara Groundwater Festival

Whiteman Park is excited to be holding the twenty-second annual Children's Gnangara Groundwater Festival in October 2024. Register your class now to attend this unique Festival where you will learn about our most precious resource – water!

Our Festival brings Western Australian middle and upper primary school students and their teachers together to learn about groundwater and other related environmental conservation issues. Through interactive and dynamic activities such as 'Groundwater Spider' and 'Root Pursuit', they will explore hands-on learning about groundwater geology, conservation and water quality topics.

Since 2002, nearly 20,000 students have attended the Festival, with many schools returning year after year! The feedback from teachers, students and presenters has always been overwhelmingly positive.

Program

The Festival is run over one day, with up to 32 classes able to participate this year. Each class is scheduled into four hours of dynamic, hands-on learning activities, including the introductory 'Mega Water Show', one period of unscheduled 'Free Time' fun and a lunch break.*

All of the workshop activities align with learning areas of the WA Curriculum and teachers receive four editions of our comprehensive 'Groundwater Guru' teacher resources that includes plenty of classroom ideas for both before and after the festival!

We also strive to track student's understanding of groundwater topics pre- and post-festival using fun, online quizzes.

The Children's Gnangara Groundwater Festival aims to:

- inspire students to learn more about conserving water and the environment that surrounds and nourishes them.
- deliver an understanding of groundwater and the role it plays within natural and manmade ecosystems through fun, interactive workshops.
- provide teachers and children with a unique opportunity to interact with a number of environmental educators in the same place, on the same day.

Places are strictly limited – so register early!

Visit whitemanpark.com.au for further information about the Festival!

*Please note: There may be changes to the Festival's usual format if health or social restrictions are imposed. Capacity may also be reduced if needed, so register early.



Where

Whiteman Park
Entry off Drumpellier Drive
or Beechboro Road,
Whiteman WA

When

Wednesday 23 October, 2024
9.30am–2.30pm

Note: The Contingency date in case of inclement weather is Thursday 24 October

Cost

\$15.00 per student (no gst)
Teachers and parents attend for free

Who can attend

The Festival is open to all Year 4, 5 and 6 classes in Western Australia

How to register

Complete the School Registration Form (overleaf) and return to Whiteman Park by Friday 31 May

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School Registration Form



Don't miss the chance for your school to attend the 2024 Children's Gnambara Groundwater Festival! Register up to five classes using the form below and email or post a copy to us by May 31, 2024.

School details

School name		
Postal address		
Suburb	Postcode	Phone
Email contact for invoicing		
Wednesday start time	Wednesday finish time	

Lead teacher's details

Primary contact person	
Position	Mobile number
Email	
How did you find out about the Children's Groundwater Festival?	
Does your school have any special requirements or activity requests?	
Do you have a preferred start/finish time? <input type="checkbox"/> Early group (9.30am-2.00pm) <input type="checkbox"/> Late group (10.10am-2.30pm)	

Class registration details

Class 1

Title	Miss <input type="checkbox"/> Ms <input type="checkbox"/> Mrs <input type="checkbox"/> Mr	Teacher's name
Year level	Teacher email	
No. of students	Did any students in this class attend the 2023 Festival? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	

Class 2

Title	Miss <input type="checkbox"/> Ms <input type="checkbox"/> Mrs <input type="checkbox"/> Mr	Teacher's name
Year level	Teacher email	
No. of students	Did any students in this class attend the 2023 Festival? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	

Class 3

Title	Miss <input type="checkbox"/> Ms <input type="checkbox"/> Mrs <input type="checkbox"/> Mr	Teacher's name
Year level	Teacher email	
No. of students	Did any students in this class attend the 2023 Festival? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	





Class 4

Title	Miss <input type="checkbox"/> Ms <input type="checkbox"/> Mrs <input type="checkbox"/> Mr <input type="checkbox"/>	Teacher's name
Year level	Teacher email	
No. of students	Did any students in this class attend the 2023 Festival? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	

Class 5

Title	Miss <input type="checkbox"/> Ms <input type="checkbox"/> Mrs <input type="checkbox"/> Mr <input type="checkbox"/>	Teacher's name
Year level	Teacher email	
No. of students	Did any students in this class attend the 2023 Festival? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	

Terms and Conditions

1. The Festival is strictly for Year 4 to 6 students only.
2. Minimum numbers and associated fees apply (15 students).
3. Teachers and supervising adults attend free of charge.
4. A maximum of two classes per school may be imposed if demand exceeds capacity.
5. Successfully registered class teachers will be notified by the end of Term 2.
6. A minimum 1:10 adult to student ratio is required for this excursion (however, we recommend 1:5 for maximum enjoyment).
7. Final class numbers are required six (6) weeks prior to the event.
8. Invoices will be sent to schools in Week 10 of Term 3 and are payable within 30 days.
9. A 50% Cancellation Fee will apply to any cancellations within six (6) weeks of the Festival.
10. A full refund will be issued if Whiteman Park cancels the Festival due to extreme weather, health or other concerns.
11. Correspondence for all successful classes will be sent to the nominated contact/lead teacher. It is their responsibility to ensure each class teacher receives their Festival information.
12. Requests will be accommodated where possible but are dependent on programming constraints.
13. This is an outdoor venue. The Festival will be moved to the contingency date (Thursday 24 October) in the case of high winds, thunderstorms or heavy rainfall only.
14. Unless indicated at the time of registration (in 'Festival acknowledgement' below), your school will not be eligible for a refund for non-attendance on the contingency day, if enacted.

Festival acknowledgement

Our school is prepared to attend the Thursday ¹⁴ contingency date:	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
I have read and understand the festival Terms and Conditions	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
I understand that our school will be invoiced six weeks before the Festival and that cancellation fees apply for withdrawal after this time:	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Signed	Date



Up to 40% of Perth's drinking water supply comes from groundwater?
 Whiteman Park sits over the southern tip of our largest groundwater supply—the Gngangara Water Mound.