



NEWS FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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Orangeville Hydro hosts its first “Power of 1” Kids Fest for Grade 5 & 6 students

Orangeville Hydro has partnered with the County of Dufferin, Orangeville Sustainability Action Team (OSAT), Credit Valley Conservation (CVC), The Town of Orangeville and TREC Education to host an event to educate and inspire students and families in topics of energy conservation, electricity safety, water conservation, waste reduction, renewable energy and environmental stewardship during Earth Week. This event is the first of its kind in the Dufferin area.

To help raise funds for the event, Orangeville Hydro is hosting an **Electronics Waste Day** at 400 C Line on **March 2 (from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.) and March 3 (from 1-4 p.m.)**. Area residents will have the opportunity to drop off old electronics for recycling during these times. To date, Zehrs, Boston Pizza, Raw Materials Co-operation (RMC) and Ontario Electronic Stewardship (OES) are on board to sponsor the event. All proceeds collected will be used for the Kids Fest.

The April 18-19 Kids Fest is a unique and creative opportunity for students to connect with important environmental issues in a fun and engaging way. The goal is to create meaningful and exciting experiences to help students make informed decisions about how to preserve the environment and conserve electricity.

Students will experience hands-on, interactive activities and informative sessions that will help foster a culture of conservation. The activities will focus on sections of the science curriculum and will encourage sustainability and behavioural changes at home and school. There will be no shortage of new ideas and unforgettable fun experiences awaiting Grade 5 & 6 students. From Thursday to Friday, April 18-19, approximately 500 students will participate in Kids Fest at the Mono Community Centre (in the village of Mono Centre).

On April 19 everyone can celebrate Earth Week at a public Kids Fest event. Members of the public are invited to **Orangeville District Secondary School, from 6-9 p.m. on April 19**, where there will be live entertainment, face painting, prizes, and the opportunity for families to participate in more hands-on energy and environmental-themed activities.

For more information about the event, visit: www.orangevillehydro.on.ca or call 519-942-8000.

It has always been the goal of Orangeville Hydro to provide safe, reliable, efficient delivery of electrical energy within the Town of Orangeville and Grand Valley, while being accountable to our shareholders.