

# SOAPkidz ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION DAY

19 May 2012

TOGETHER WE MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Our aim with this event is to have 100 underprivileged and vulnerable children and the many volunteers that assist, walk away with HOPE in their hearts and the realization that they and the environment are interconnected and special.

This will be the sixth year that we will be hosting this event.



You are hereby invited to participate and assist with our **Environmental Education Day** on **19 May 2012**. The aim of the event is to involve underprivileged and vulnerable children from the local community in initiatives which include environmental education related activities as well as a personal enrichment programme. Here the 100 children (Grade 6 & 7) will experience personal growth and be taught to deal with day-to-day challenges they may face.

**VENUE:** Irene Middle School and Smuts House

**DATE:** 19 May 2012: **06h30 till 15h30**. Official hike to Smuts House starts at 08h30

**CHILDREN:** The children are from the Irene Middle School

**PROGRAM:** The programme for the day includes the following activities:

PROGRAMME FOR THE DAY		
06:30 – 07:30		<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Volunteers arrive, set up registration table</li><li>Prepare breakfast</li></ul>
07:30 – 08:00	Irene Middle School	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Arrival of children, who receive breakfast before the day's activities begin</li><li>Registration of teams</li></ul>
08:00 – 08:30		<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Sorting the separated litter that was brought</li><li>Taking the team's pictures</li></ul>
<b>08:30 – 09:00</b>	<b>Hike to Smuts House</b>	
09:00 - 10:45		<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><u>Group 1</u>: Journey Process</li><li><u>Group 2</u>: Environmental activities</li></ul>
10:45 - 12:30	Jan Smuts House	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><u>Group 1</u>: Environmental activities</li><li><u>Group 2</u>: Journey Process</li></ul>
12:30 – 13:00		Lunch and taking group picture
13:00 – 13:30		War Cries
13:30 – 14:10		Prize Giving, thank you song and Circle of Life
<b>14:10 – 15:00</b>	<b>Hike back to Irene Middle School</b>	
15:00 – 15:30	Irene Middle School	Debriefing session for volunteers

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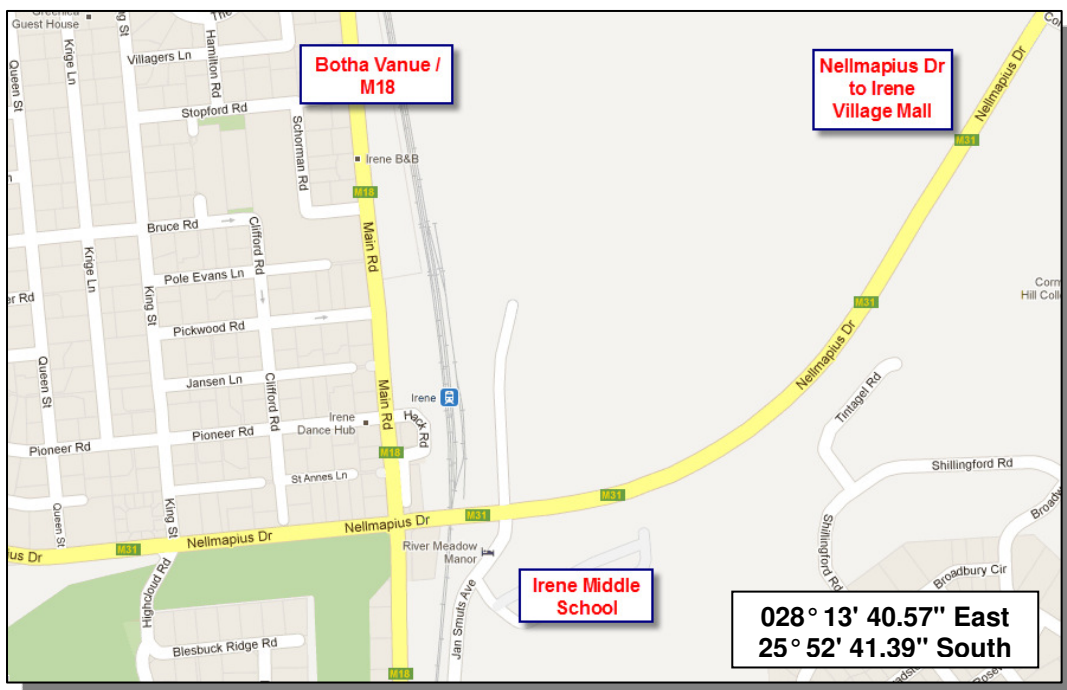
- **The Journey** is a formal activity where the children learn to welcome all emotions, access shutdown emotions and then are given tools to experience life's challenges in a more healthy way leaving them feeling more free and empowered. This is a very uplifting experience and contributes to the children's wellbeing and personal growth.
- The **Environmental Activities** includes the following:
  - Tree planting in the Smuts House Arboretum in collaboration with Friends of Smuts House.
  - A Litter collection and litter art activity where children are taught about recycling and litter and also make a piece of art, i.e. a sculpture from the litter.
  - A treasure hunt around the grounds of Smuts House where the clues teach the children about their local environment and recycling, etc.

### **VOLUNTEERS: WHAT TO BRING**

- One bag of separated litter (Paper, plastic or tins)
- Your sense of humour
- A funky hat/sunglasses made from recycled material
- A Water bottle and small backpack
- Comfortable shoes/clothes.

### **DIRECTIONS TO IRENE MIDDLE SCHOOL AND SMUTS HOUSE**

- From the Botha Avenue (M18) off-ramp off the N1 in Centurion, travel south on Botha Ave (M18)
- Take the 3<sup>rd</sup> left into Nellmapius Drive after 2 km
- Take the 1<sup>st</sup> right in Jan Smuts Avenue after 200 m
- The Irene Middle School is located on your left after 130 m



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