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Welcome to the edu4drd newsletter

This newsletter is compiled from contributions of the EDU4DRR NETWORK. All items in the newsletter as well as ongoing discussions, Q&A, and working group and committee activities can be found on the Edu4drd Website (<http://edu4drd.ning.com>). The website requires registration; a small photo or image to represent you is much appreciated.

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1. NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

These are the new items posted since April 12, 2009.

o You can now follow the latest updates on the edu4drd site on twitter. Go to <http://twitter.com/edu4drd> and click follow if you have a twitter account! The site can now also be translated into one of 44 languages by clicking on the county flag on the front page! Finally, there are two new tabs on the site. A quizzes tab includes quizzes you may have seen and some you may not have - Can you beat my score on the Arizona disaster preparedness quiz? The second tab is VERY important! It is a 'Resources' tab and includes curriculum, club/society/CDBDM and Drill resources.



Worried
about
the
potential

for a pandemic flu outbreak and its possible effect on education, I have put together a short (five slide) PowerPoint presentation for anyone working with children and young people, which gives practical advice while using the short 1948 film, 'Coughs and Sneezes spread diseases'. This is a light hearted educational film which makes good points while still being entertaining even now. The advice in the PowerPoint is clearly laid out and easy to understand! Please use and pass on to as many colleagues that who will find it useful. I have made this available on my school network along with instructions to go through the PowerPoint in form tutor time (home room time) this week, hopefully reaching at least 1600 pupils. [Click here for coughs_sneezes.ppt](#)

[Justin Sharpe](#) added a video April 16



[Disaster Game on Nintendo Wii!](#)

A disaster game. Learn how to rescue people, perform CPR, Place bandages, escape from falling rubble etc...Not necessarily the best advice at all times, but interesting and a great resource for the classroom! greta way to introduce disaster preven...

2. TRAINING & EVENTS

These are the new training & events items posted since April 12, 2009.

[May 14-15 2009](#)

[The 2nd International Conference on Education for Disaster Prevention](#)

- [May 14, 2009](#) at 9am to [May 15, 2009](#) at 6pm – [International Convention Hall, National Yunlin University of Science and Technology \(NYUST\)](#)

The aim of the 2nd International Conference on Education for Disaster Prevention is to enhance the connections with the experiences of international societies. This includes combining the achieveme...

Organized by swr@yuntech.edu.tw | Type: [conference](#)

[June 15](#)

[Second Global Platform for Disaster Risk Reduction](#)

[June 15, 2009](#) at 8:30am to [June 19, 2009](#) at 5pm – [Geneva,](#)

Switzerland

UNISDR Global Platform. Includes meetings of Thematic Platform for Knowledge and Education and Global Network of Civil Society Organisations for Disaster Reduction.

Organized by UNISDR | Type: Meeting

4. Q&A

These are current 2 open questions to which members are seeking answers.

The newest questions are:

Using online surveys to evaluate the success of an education project

I think that it is important from a child/youth perspective that they are seen as contributors to disaster prevention rather than passive... ⁰ Jan 22

Started by Justin Sharpe



Advice on Edu4drr

There are now over 120 members on the edu4drr site, all logging on at different times throughout the world. We are members here because w...

Started by Justin Sharpe

4. DISCUSSION ITEMS

The Edu4drr Website currently has 8 open discussions at <http://edu4drr.ning.com/forum> on a wide range of topics. Below are the discussions with the most recent activity:

To start a new discussion, please go to the Edu4drr Website's Forum tab and click Add a Discussion. Be sure to select an appropriate category for your new discussion.

5. DISASTER REDUCTION EDUCATIONAL MATERIALS

There are a variety of resources now on the site, from videos to

[quizzes](#) to examples of achievements in different projects! However it is useful if these are organised in some way so that they can be accessed easily by teachers and educators! I have organised this by creating a sub menu under resources for [curriculum materials](#), such as the ones I have developed for UK school teachers, but can be adapted for use elsewhere very easily, as well as resources for [community based projects](#) and last but by no means least for any resources that may be out there for [clubs, societies and institutions](#) such as the boy scout and guide movement! I will kick off this new area of the site by uploading teacher material later today! If you have material you would like to see displayed contact me and I will let you know how to do this!

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