



'Vision of a Sustainable Future'.

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2003

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Earth Challenge 2003 is a unique opportunity open to all Year 5 and 6 students across Australian State Primary Schools. A chance for your students to open their minds and share a '**Vision of a Sustainable Future**'.

Earth Challenge is searching for 8 students to represent each of the states and territories of Australia to participate in a forum on sustainability held at the Sustainable Living Festival, Federation Square Melbourne, February 2003.

The Sustainable Living Festival is an innovative, inspiring and exciting event which provides a platform to celebrate and showcase sustainable living with the Australian community. Its purpose is to encourage, educate and promote the uptake of sustainable living empowering individuals to change the way they interact, perceive and challenge their surroundings. The event will take place on February 21-23 2003, and will be held at Melbourne's newest landmark, Federation Square providing a dynamic backdrop for the Festival.

The Challenge

It's as easy 1,2,3.

- 1.** Have your students write, video or audio tape a piece entitled, "...My Vision of a Sustainable Future..." (sketches or designs may also be submitted)
- 2.** Select one winning entry from your school
- 3.** Submit the entry to Earth Challenge 2003 by Wednesday 28th October.
(Entries must be clearly identified with your school name and selected students name)

Criteria

Selection of entries will be based on the following criteria;

- **Creativity**
- **Clear communication of ideas**
- **Research**
- **Presentation**
- **Relevance to Australia**

Sustainable Living is simply about the way we live - it's about the way think, feel, create, design, play and feast. Ecology, economy and community - the three factors we should consider in a vision for a sustainable future.

- **Think** - about where you live and what positive impact you can make.
- **Feel** - healthy, inspired and active to help create change in your community.
- **Design** - solar powered transport systems, wildlife protection plans, invent solutions to reduce pollution, design ways to care for the community and devise new jobs of the future.

- **Create** - art, fashion and music using sustainable materials and themes.
- **Play** - new sports and games which have a low environmental impact, surfing, bike riding and solar car racing.
- **Feast** - on clean foods produced in gardens and farms, free from chemicals and pollution, food and farming - new tastes and new ways.

Remember these are just a few ideas to help you on your way, but the possibilities are never-ending. Please only use these ideas for students who are struggling to come up with their own. A child's imagination is an endless wonder.

Timeline for Entries

- Wed 30th October 2002: **Entries due**
- Wed 20th November 2002: **Entries shortlisted from each state and territory**
- Mon 9th December 2002: **Winners notified**
- Fri 21st February 2003: **Opening of Sustainable Living Festival & Youth Forum**

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All the best and we hope to see you at the Sustainable Living Festival, 2003

Terms & Conditions - One winner will be selected from each state and territory of Australia. Applications must be submitted before the close of business on Wednesday 16th October. Entries will only be returned upon request only. No correspondence will entered into - the judges decision is final Melissa Carydakis & Angela Phillips Sustainable Living Festival Education Team.



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