“LIVING AND LEARNING ABOUT SUSTAINABILITY IN THE EARLY YEARS”

Sponsored by the School of Education, University of Tasmania (UTas)

3rd May (Hobart) or 4th May (Burnie) or 5th May (Launceston) 2012

What: Meet with and share ideas about creating sustainable environments, practices, projects and activities with young children. Use the opportunity to build an active early childhood “sustainability” network in Tasmania – to link with a growing national interest group.

Who: Parents, teachers, educators, and other professionals in child and family services, centre-based and family day care, schools and communities.

Why: “Sustainability is Everybody’s Business” – in homes, the community, education and care – It is core practice in the National Quality Standard (Standard 3, Element 3.3), the Early Years Learning Framework (EYLF) and is a priority throughout the new Australian Curriculum.

Key presenters/facilitators:

- **Julie Davis** (author of *Young children and the environment: Early education for sustainability*, and co-author of “Mainstreaming Sustainability into Pre-service Teacher Education in Australia”)
- **Nadine McCrea** (author of *Eating my colourful vegies and fruit, Educators’ Resource Book*, and Project creator/planner/leader of 2012 New England Children’s Services Eco-mentoring Network, northern NSW)

Two shorter workshops in Hobart and Burnie and a one-day forum in Launceston will highlight Julie and Nadine’s work with ECEC services on children’s agency and how to use sustainability for cross-curriculum learning. Additional workshops will be offered at the one-day Forum to extend ideas and strategies. There will be opportunity to showcase what is happening here in Tasmania. Contact Di Nailon by Friday 20th April to present in a Pecha Kucha (timed slide presentation) at the Forum. See next page for how to contact Di.
When/Where:

1. **Hobart Thursday 3rd May 4.00 pm (for 4.30) – 6.30pm** Bridgewater LINC/Child and Family Centre Green Point Road, Bridgewater (plenty of parking)
   - Cost $25 ($15 students and pensioners) to cover materials and catering

2. **Burnie Friday 4th May 4.00 pm (for 4.30) – 6.30pm** Room 201 University of Tasmania Burnie Campus 16-20 Mooreville Road, Burnie
   - Cost $25 ($15 students and pensioners) to cover materials and catering

3. **Launceston Statewide Forum Saturday 5th May 10am – 3.30pm** Sir Raymond Ferrall Centre  
   *University of Tasmania Newnham Campus, Newnham Drive, Newnham, Launceston*
   - Cost $45 ($30 students and pensioners) to cover materials and catering - Note that additional hands-on workshops will be offered at the Launceston event.

**What to bring:** In order to follow sustainable best practice please bring your own **mug** to drink from, and a **USB or Disk** to download the many handouts of project activity ideas, tips, EYLF and Curriculum related information, shared Tasmanian stories and networking details.

**For further Information and to showcase your sustainable story:** Email Di Nailon (UTas) on Diane.Nailon@utas.edu.au or phone 6324 3792 or 0400389107. Please register your interest in presenting a Pecha Kucha by April 20th.

**To book a place at the workshops and/or the Statewide Forum:** Email Marilyn Christie at sustainability5@gmail.com or phone 0419449372