



## EYES GRANT

An Early Years In Education Society grant is an opportunity for classroom teachers to celebrate and emphasize the importance and value of early years schooling. Each year EYES allocates funding to its members, in the form of a grant, to support teachers of young children in the promotion of early childhood.

### **What is an Early Years in Education Society school grant?**

Grants of \$100 - to \$1,000 are available to all EYES members to assist them with a special activity, project, or the accumulation of resources in order to conduct a special program. It can be a single event or ongoing, classroom exclusive, include parents or a whole community.

### **What kind of activities will be funded?**

Previous winners have included a scented garden, a mural on demountable classroom wall, a "wonder wall" of free play resources, a community reading project, a buddy's class collaboration, a classroom pictorial timetable, a story telling program and a Dads home reading project.

Some suggestions are: special gardens, books for a library with a special focus or interest, music and movement collaboration with an outside agency, a PMP circuit, incursion/excursion follow up (circus, zoo, AQUWA, farm, forest, ocean) record performances, collect oral history or stories of local residents, cooking activities and creation of a cook book, art exhibition with purchase of materials and display items, science fair, purchase of special scientific equipment, environmental projects such as tree planting, recycling, compost/worm farm, conservation and water wise projects, maths activities involving chance and data, measuring, woodwork projects, craft /sewing/quilting/weaving projects, I.T. projects using current and old technologies, special needs projects , OT, language development, tactile, kinaesthetic and multi sensory projects, art projects sculpture mosaics, murals.

### **What do I do first?**

The best ideas are those that arise from a specific passion, interest, obvious need or area of weakness in your classroom or community. For inspiration talk to fellow teachers, administrators, parents and community members. Have a clear goal of what you want to achieve and you may like to name the project/idea, this will help to personalise it. Consider undertaking some research to support your application.

### **Criteria for grant selection**

Applicant must be a member of EYES

Grant application form to be completed and forwarded to EYES

### **Grant selection**

A grant selection committee comprising of EYES members will consider all applications. Assistance in writing your applications available by contacting [heatherkerrhome@yahoo.com.au](mailto:heatherkerrhome@yahoo.com.au)

### **Requirements of Successful Grant recipients**

Create a visual/static display for viewing at the annual EYES Spring Conference.

Prepare a synopsis of the project/activity undertaken suitable for publication on EYES website and affiliated EYES publications.

### **How do I apply for a school grant?**

Read the information on this page and complete all sections of the application form.

Your Principal must co-sign the form. Post your completed application form to;

EYES Grant Application

P.O Box 172 Karrinyup

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APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY THE 31<sup>ST</sup> OF MARCH, 2009

Successful applicants will be notified by 9<sup>th</sup> of April, 2009. All applicants can access the list of successful applicants on the EYES website [www.earlyyearsineducationsociety.com.au](http://www.earlyyearsineducationsociety.com.au)



Brief description of activity for which funding is sought: (Please check the criteria on the other side of this form.)

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What ECE outcomes will this activity contribute to?

Total grant amount requested: \_\_\_\_\_ (Indicate amount between \$100-\$1,000)

What will the grant money be spent on? (please specify expected cost of items and activities)

Where did you hear about these grants?

# Grant Contract Agreement:

I agree, on behalf of the school named above, to use the grant received entirely for the purpose described above and will complete a report/synopsis of the grant project. The grant money will be paid in a single instalment.

Teacher Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Principal Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Names of successful grant recipients will be published on the EYES website.

Post/fax completed application form by the 31<sup>st</sup> of March, 2009:

NB: Please keep a copy of your application for your reference.