

SHARE

Sustainable Hepburn Association - Renewing the Earth

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Schools Share Sustainability Experiences



The open forum about sustainability and schools that was hosted SHARE was a huge success. Representatives from schools in Hepburn Shire and the general community met and shared their successes and challenges introducing more sustainable practises.

Representatives from Daylesford Secondary College shared their experience of introducing solar power and their sustainability programme. Students were responsible for coordinating both these projects. It was a powerful learning experience and achievement, organising the funding and approvals for the solar panels and obtaining the support and funds required to join the Australian Sustainable Schools Initiative.

One participant at the Forum was so inspired to meet others who were passionate about learning about sustaining the natural environment she took copious notes to take back to her students. She said that it was important for children to experience the joy of connecting with nature and recognise the importance of preserving it. Another parent expressed how valuable it would be to pool the learnings and experience of the group with all schools across the region.

Many participants at the Forum were keen to meet again and to further explore how our local schools can better work together to be more sustainable. A meeting is being organised for Thursday 21 May. If you or your school is interested in being involved, email info@hrea.org.au or call Fiona on 5348 4822 for more information.

SHARE hosts open Forums on sustainability topics from 7pm on the first Thursday of each month. For more information or to RSVP, email info@hrea.org.au or call Karen on 5476 4495

SHARE was previously known as Hepburn Renewable Energy Association. More information about SHARE, upcoming events and useful links can be found at www.hrea.org.au.

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