



Shapers of Tomorrow!

A powerful program for helping young people live in harmony with the earth.

This powerful 5 day program for 14-16 year olds, is an intense carefully designed adventure of discovery and magic incorporating many elements designed by the Institute for Earth Education.

Shapers of Tomorrow!

- **develops** students with understandings of the key concepts of life on earth
- **helps** students deepen feelings of respect, awe, kinship and love for the natural world
- **provides** opportunities for exploring and processing personal perspectives
- **challenges and motivates** students to undertake wiser personal environmental lifestyle changes
- **empowers** students to become proactive participants within the community
- **guides** students towards practising collaborative competence

The program

Shapers of Tomorrow! acknowledges young people for who they are and the life journey they are undertaking. It gives them skills, direction and confidence to realise they can help shape the future.

The adventure begins with the fun of the **“The Games”** where students soon come to realise the importance of their visit to the Centre. The following **“Viewing Party”** Immersing experience relies on a large cooperative group effort when students experience the wonders of the night and reflect on the journey ahead.

An **“Earthwalk”** sharpens the senses and encourages first-hand contact with the natural world in new and exciting ways, while **“Magic Spots”** provide silent time alone for processing thoughts.



Core concepts

During the course of the program, students partake in activities to learn 4 core concepts about the life support systems of planet Earth and their place in it...

- **“Solarville”** (understanding the complexities of **sunlight energy** flow).
- **“Connection Inspection”** (understanding that **all living things are connected**).
- **“Circus of Cycles”** (understanding the gigantic **cycles of air, water and soil**).
- **“Timeline”** (understanding the enormity of **change over time** and our entry point and effect).

Once all 4 concepts have been examined, **“Model Planets”** allows students to cooperatively demonstrate their understandings by constructing their own worlds where they soon come to realise environmental impacts and constraints.

“Work That Reconnects” gives context for our collective consciousness while **“Collaborative Competence”** work helps direct group discussions on various themes throughout the program.

The goal

The aim of the *Shapers of Tomorrow!* is to develop confident young people who possess necessary basic ecological understandings and good feelings for the earth and its life. They will undertake not only to live more lightly themselves, but can now begin the important task of working within their communities for a better future.

***Shapers of Tomorrow!* is for those teachers who genuinely want** a learning adventure that can captivate and motivate students, providing them with **a foundation upon which to build** when dealing with complex issues relevant to creating a more sustainable future.

Shapers of Tomorrow! more than fulfils teachers’ curriculum needs for the target age group.

We are looking for teachers who share our commitment to delivering this extraordinary, highly stimulating educational experience, for the benefit of our youth.

We enjoy making this program simply a fantastic experience for students, one they will never forget.

Costs & Commitments

Wild Mountains is committed to making *Shapers of Tomorrow!* accessible to all schools by keeping costs to a minimum. We cater for up to 40 students as we feel that smaller groups provide a superior experience with better learning outcomes.

Per-participant rates cover:

- **Comprehensive Support** before, during and after your visit to Wild Mountains
- **Food & Accommodation** for five days and four nights at the Centre
- **Specialised Trainers** to guide you and your students through the program
- **All participant materials** including *Shapers of Tomorrow!!* Training Manual and Diary

Contact us

For up to date costs, details or to arrange a free information session contact us at Wild Mountains.