

## Put your hand up for children &ndash; 2007 Federal Election e-card

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Put your hand up for children: Make your vote count for children at the ballot box!

Early Childhood Australia has committed to five main issues for its election agenda:

- Climate change and sustainability
- Indigenous young children and families
- Parenting support
- Investment  
in early childhood
- Children's rights

We encourage all those who are involved in the care and education of young children to make your voice heard in the lead-up to this year's federal election.

Make your voice count: Send an e-card to the politicians

- Remember to 'sign' your e-card.

Include your:

- full name
- suburb
- postcode.

- Forward the e-card to your local members. Email addresses of local members can be found on the Australian Parliament House website:

- House of Representatives: Members by Electorate
- Senate: List of Senators by State and Territory
- Find your electorate and local members

[Click here to send an e-card, and make your voice heard.\\*](#)

Send the e-card to Prime Minister John Howard:

Copy and paste the message below into this form.

To Australia's politicians

I am part of a growing number of people willing to make children's issues count at the upcoming federal election.

In particular, I would like to know how you and your party will make a positive impact on the following issues:

- Climate change and sustainability &ndash; creating a safe and secure future for every child.
- Indigenous young children and families &ndash; delivering culturally safe children's services which build capacity into the future for Indigenous Australians.
- Parenting support &ndash; a commitment to paid parental leave for all parents and flexible, family-friendly work environments.
- Investment in early childhood &ndash; a long-term strategy for early childhood services which reflects the evidence about what's necessary to deliver quality outcomes for children.
- Children's rights &ndash; a commitment to establishing an Office of the Commissioner for Children.

Yours sincerely

\*\*\* INCLUDE YOUR NAME, POSTCODE AND SUBURB \*\*\*

For more information on these issues, please visit Early Childhood Australia's election agenda:

<http://www.earlychildhoodaustralia.org.au/election2007>

We will send the message above to the following federal politicians:

Liberal Party  
Labor Party  
Minor parties  
Mal Brough, Minister for Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs

Malcolm Turnbull, Minister for the Environment and Water Resources

Julie Bishop, Minister for Education, Science and Training

Opposition leader, Kevin Rudd

Jenny Macklin, Opposition spokesperson for Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs

Peter Garrett, Opposition spokesperson for the Environment and Water Resources spokesperson

Stephen Smith, Opposition spokesperson for Education, Science and Training  
Bob Brown, Leader of the Australian Greens

Lyn Allison, Leader of the Australian Democrats

We thank you for your support of children's issues at the upcoming election.

Have you considered becoming a member of Early Childhood Australia?

Early Childhood Australia's capacity to do its work is dependent on its membership.

Become a member of Early Childhood Australia and be an active voice for the most vulnerable members of our society.

Contact us with any queries, or to request a free membership information pack:

T: 1800 356 900 (freecall)

E: [membership@earlychildhood.org.au](mailto:membership@earlychildhood.org.au)

\* If the 'send e-card' link does not work

Please copy and paste the above e-card message into your own email and send to the following addresses:

[Mal.Brough.MP@aph.gov.au](mailto:Mal.Brough.MP@aph.gov.au); [Malcolm.Turnbull.MP@aph.gov.au](mailto:Malcolm.Turnbull.MP@aph.gov.au); [julie.bishop.mp@aph.gov.au](mailto:julie.bishop.mp@aph.gov.au);  
[Kevin.Rudd.MP@aph.gov.au](mailto:Kevin.Rudd.MP@aph.gov.au); [JMacklin.MP@aph.gov.au](mailto:JMacklin.MP@aph.gov.au); [Peter.Garrett.MP@aph.gov.au](mailto:Peter.Garrett.MP@aph.gov.au);  
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Put your hand up for children

Supporting Early Childhood Australia's election agenda will assist the country to make progress in ensuring the needs and entitlements of the nation's youngest citizens are met.

Your vote in the coming election matters!

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