



## Our CV

**2005:** Coordinated the roll out of the Australian Early development Index (AEDI) in the Greater Bunbury Region

**2006:** Supported the development of the Bunbury Early Years Network

**2006-2012:** Supported the development and roll out of the Linking Education and Families (LEAF) program. LEAF is a universal school based program that targets families with young children aged 04 years. Play Cafes, home visits and kindy orientation and health checks are all features of the LEAF program. LEAF can provide a framework to give each child the best start to their education.

**2007:** Supported the development of the Early Years Network in Harvey.

**2007- present:** Develop the early years resource directory for bunbury detailing (and annually updating) services for families with young children in Bunbury.

**2009/10:** Supported the development of the SW Disability Coalition Service directory for families/carers of children with a disability.

**2010/11:** Investing In Our Youth is represented at Early Years Collaborative project meetings in Perth hosted by the department of Premier and Cabinet. Through this committee we provided a regional voice in discussions on future State plans for a framework for the early years.

**2010:** Supported the Active Rural Communities program encouraging children, young people, and their families in rural communities to be more physically active.

**2010:** Coordinates the 'Young People and Alcohol – a solution focused seminar' event at Roelands.

**2011:** Supported a 'Schools of the Future' think tank for health and education delegates from the greater Bunbury Region. Forum delegates have continued to meet at least quarterly and working parties have formed to collaboratively solve problems that are impacting on learning and development in the early years.

**2011/current:** Chair of headspace Bunbury consortium supporting the implementation of a local headspace centre in Bunbury

**2012:** Coordinated the 'Schools of the Future' seminar in Bunbury exploring future alliances between education, community and health and showcasing inspiring stories of collaborative practice in the early years.

**2012:** Supported the Harvey Early Years expo.

**2012:** Partnered with the South West Development Commission and the Mental Health Commission to host a new 'Child and Youth Mental Health Development Officer' position in the SW.

**2012:** The 'Hands Up 4 Kids' comes under the Investing In Our Youth organisational umbrella. HU4K is a local literacy development strategy that involves community volunteers coming into schools to hear young children read aloud.

**2012:** Investing In Our Youth successfully tender to support the development of the Child and Parent Centre Carey Park

**2013:** Investing In Our Youth coordinate MindUP training seminars in collaboration with the Benevolent Society of Queensland

**2013:** The Positive Tickets (reinforcing positive behaviour in young people) program is trialled in Busselton WA

**2013:** Investing In Our Youth successfully tenders to develop a SW Regional Children's Plan that will focus on the needs of the education and care sector

**2013:** Investing in Our Youth successfully tenders to support the development of the Collie Valley Child and Parent Centre at Wilson Park Primary School

**2014:** Investing In Our Youth supports the delivery of a community Deliberate Self Harm forum