

## **Primary Students Debate –**

### **“OUR VISION FOR SUSTAINABILITY CULTURE” VIDEO CHALLENGE (Ages 7-11)**

July 1, 2026 (on Zoom)

0900-1030 UTC: Primary Students Debate

1100-1130 UTC: Primary Student Awards

The primary students will be divided into 4 teams, representing one of the following groups. The teams will be notified at their first prep sessions on **June 17-19** (dates/times TBC – see further details below):

## **My School, My Family, My Community, or My Country**

Each team will explore how their group can turn sustainability culture into reality through meaningful action. The focus should be on simple, practical ideas that the students feel could make a real difference.

Teams will produce a short video presentation (up to 10 minutes) to share their ideas. Videos can include spoken explanations, drawings, short performances, or even interviews. Creativity is encouraged! The most important thing is to clearly explain what actions their group can take to help make sustainability culture a reality.

After the videos are shown, there will be a live Q&A with the moderators. They'll ask a few questions about each team's ideas to dig deeper into how these actions could be put into practice, and to highlight the students' understanding of their ideas. Students should be ready to explain their thinking and reflect on what they have learned through the process.

**During the two weeks leading up to the Debates, TSL will host a series of preparatory sessions for each team (dates/times TBC – 1.5 hours each week – each child can be accompanied by an observing Teacher Champion or parent):**

- **Debate Prep Session 1 (June 17, 18 or 19)**
- **Debate Prep Session 2 (June 24, 25 or 26)**

## **Safety Guidance**

*The Debates will be completely online to allow for more inclusive and international participation (on Zoom – invites to follow). To ensure student safeguarding is met, cameras will be turned off until it is each team's turn to present. We encourage diversity, and the debates are intended to be a safe space for students to speak. Differing and unique arguments are widely supported so the students can express themselves and their opinions. To help ensure student safety, reasonable precautions should be taken by supporting adults and schools. Please notify TSL staff if you observe suspicious behaviour. Inappropriate and hateful language is prohibited and students may be removed from the debates if these rules are violated.*