



## GIFTED RESOURCES NEWSLETTER OCTOBER 2007

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<http://www.giftedresources.org/web/newsletter.html>

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<http://www.giftedresources.org/web/newsletter.html>

If you have news of events, conferences, lectures, workshops, children's programmes, etc. that you would like included in our newsletter please email [contributions@giftedresources.org](mailto:contributions@giftedresources.org)

## GIFTED RESOURCES NEWS

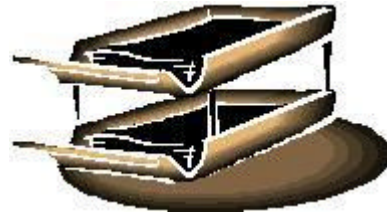
### REALLY EXCITING NEWS !!!

**Next year Gifted Resources will be hosting STEPHANIE TOLAN and ROSEMARY CATHCART when they visit Victoria**

For more details see the links from the Homepage of Gifted Resources website and keep watching for details of their itineraries

**OUR WEBSITE - [www.giftedresources.org](http://www.giftedresources.org)**

**A new section called the In Tray** has been added. Now I can display the attractive flyers and announcements for events which you send me. The link to the In Tray can be found on the main page.



## WHAT'S IN THE IN TRAY?

These items have been received recently and can be found in the In Tray which is located on the Home page of Gifted Resources Website [www.giftedresources.org](http://www.giftedresources.org)  
If you would like information included in the newsletter and/or the In Tray please send to [contributions@giftedresources.org](mailto:contributions@giftedresources.org)

**Giftedness Researchers' Support and Discussion Forum** [NOTICE](#)

**MAXINE COWIE** Starjump Unlocking literacy Parent Information Evening **10 October**  
[FLYER](#)

**KAREN ROGERS** speaking in Canberra **20 October** [FLYER](#)

**CGS EXTENSION SERVICES** Programming for gifted students in schools **22 October**  
[FLYER](#)

**WISEONES CONFERENCE** 07 26 October [FLYER](#)

**GIFTED SUPPORT NETWORK EXPO** 30 October [FLYER](#)

**ASSOC PROF. JOHN MUNRO** Free Public Lecture The paradox of students who are both gifted and have learning disabilities **31 October** [FLYER](#)

**ALISON BROWN** Term 4 Programs

Discipline with Dignity [FLYER](#)

Playing by the rules [FLYER](#)

**ANNE JACKSON** MINDFUL! TERM 4 07 [FLYER](#)

**G.A.T.E.Ways** December Festival of Workshops [NOTICE](#) [Website link](#)

**G.A.T.E.Ways** CSI Mathematical kit for upper primary students [FLYER](#)

**G.A.T.E.Ways** Seeking Passionate Teachers for Gifted Programs [NOTICE](#)

**NSW Association of Gifted & Talented Children Albury/Wodonga Support Group**  
Meets bi-monthly in Wodonga and welcomes interested parents & teachers [FLYER](#)

**ROSEMARY CATHCART BOOK** They're not bringing out my brain Updated [FLYER](#)

**MAXINE COWIE CD** Starjump Unlocking literacy [FLYER](#)

**GERRIC Summer Seminars in Gifted Education Series** [PDF BROCHURE](#)

**GERRIC CERTIFICATE OF GIFTED EDUCATION (C.O.G.E.)** [PDF FLYER](#)

**RENZULLI** Learning System Overview ([www.renzullilearning.com](http://www.renzullilearning.com)) [PPT FLYER](#)

## PARENT SUPPORT GROUPS

### MAROONDAH GIFTED CHILDREN'S PARENTS' ASSOC. INC.

Morning Coffee at MacDonald's, Maroondah Hwy. Croydon Vic. at 10.30 am on  
Wednesday 7 November, 5 December

If you have suggestions for family activities, guest speakers, etc. for 2007 please phone or  
email Jennifer or Louise.

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### GIFTED SUPPORT NETWORK

(Formerly Bayside Young Active Minds - BYAMS)

Active network in Melbourne's south eastern region offering the following services to  
families with gifted children:

- \* "Mini Minds" - weekly activities for preschoolers
- \* "Primary Minds" - fortnightly activities for primary school aged children and their parents
- \* "Teens & Tweens" - activities for teenagers and their parents each term
- \* Information evenings with expert speakers covering issues relating to the gifted
- \* Daytime and evening social events for parents to share their experience of parenting the  
gifted child
- \* Comprehensive members library
- \* Quarterly newsletter containing professional articles

For further information visit [www.giftedsupport.org](http://www.giftedsupport.org)

or phone Carolyn (9576 5137)

P.O. Box 2808 Cheltenham, 3192

Email address is [gifted-support@hotmail.com](mailto:gifted-support@hotmail.com)

### GSN Gifted Expo

Tuesday 30 October 2007

7.30pm onwards

Parents, teachers and community members with an interest in supporting gifted children  
are invited to join us for an evening of guest speakers and exhibitors of products &  
services catering to the needs of gifted children.

Our presenters include:

StarJump - helping gifted visual spatial learners

WiseOnes - enrichment program for gifted students

Curious Kids - enhancing children's learning through play

This is a free event and supper is provided.

**Venue:** Southern Community Church of Christ

Cnr Chesterville Rd & Pine St, Cheltenham (Mel Ref 86 J1)

**Cost:** Free!

RSVP (for catering purposes) email [gifted-support@hotmail.com](mailto:gifted-support@hotmail.com)

**For the full program of Gifted Support Network activities see the excellent calendar  
of events at <http://www.giftedsupport.org/news.php#event6>**

**V.A.G.T.C. Inc**

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<http://www.vagtc.asn.au/index.html>

**V.A.G.T.C. CONFERENCE 2007****Head & Heart**

Telstra Dome

Docklands Melbourne

Wed 14-Thursdays 15 November 2007

[http://www.vagtc.asn.au/assets/htm/conf\\_intro.htm](http://www.vagtc.asn.au/assets/htm/conf_intro.htm)

<http://www.vagtc.asn.au/assets/pdf/07%20conf%20pdfs/VAGTC%20Conf%20Announcem ent.pdf>

**NSW Association of Gifted & Talented Children Albury/Wodonga Support Group**

Meets bi-monthly in Wodonga and welcomes interested parents & teachers

Our next meeting is on Tuesday 23/10/07 6pm. Dr Anne Flood of the Tall Poppies Centre, Wagga Wagga will be our guest speaker.

For venue details & information phone Dennis Baker, President, (02)60591888

**NSW AGTC FAMILY EXPLORERS****New Support Group****NSWAGTC Southern Sydney Support**

Group is officially commencing thanks to the wonderful support of Michelle (NSWAGTC office) and Julie (Family Explorers group).

We will be starting with regular informal get togethers/picnics and growing as the need arises.

We will have our first get together on Sunday 17th November from 11am.

Meet at the Sutherland Shire Centennial Park, Karimbla Rd, Miranda for a casual day of relaxing conversation and fun.

Bring your own 'everything' for a picnic lunch (free Bar-B-Q's available if needed) and let the kids go crazy on the climbing equipment, flying fox, swings etc. Toilets are available on site.

Look for the purple balloons and you will find us.

All welcome...this is our first gathering and we are looking for some great ideas to guide us through our first 12 months.

**All enquiries and suggestions to: [Kylie.ssgat@tpg.com.au](mailto:Kylie.ssgat@tpg.com.au)**

With Thanks,

Kylie Walker

## ASSOC PROF. JOHN MUNRO Free Public Lecture

Wednesday 31 October 2007 5.30-7.00 pm

### The paradox of students who are both gifted and have learning disabilities

The ELDI Cluster (Faculty of Education) and the Association of Graduates in Early Childhood Studies invite you to a free public lecture

Venue Public Policy Lecture Theatre

Level 2, 234 Queensberry St The University of Melbourne

Enquiries to Anne Grant

Email: [annecg@unimelb.edu.au](mailto:annecg@unimelb.edu.au)

Phone 8344 0985

See the flyer Night in the In Tray section on the Gifted Resources homepage

<http://www.giftedresources.org/>

## MINDFUL! TERM 4 PROGRAMS

This term Anne Jackson will run a Monday school and a Wednesday school

For the full details

See the flyer Night in the In Tray section on the Gifted Resources homepage

<http://www.giftedresources.org/>

## CGS PD Seminar Programme

### Programming for gifted students in schools

Monday 22 October 2007

Presenter Judy Parker

This program is focussed on developing a full range of school provisions for gifted students, with emphasis on their affective as well as academic needs. It will be closely based on the worksheets of the presenter's book "School Provisions for Gifted Students", a copy of which is included in the cost

Monday 22 October 2007

9.30am – 3.30pm (Registration 9.15am)

Australian Institute of Management

181 Fitzroy Street, St Kilda

For details contact

CGS Extension Services

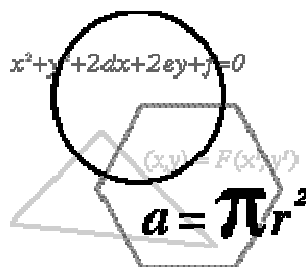
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For the flyer see the In Tray section on the Gifted Resources homepage

<http://www.giftedresources.org/>



## **Giftedness Researchers' Support and Discussion Forum**

This group is open to Australians and New Zealanders undertaking research related to giftedness, to provide mutual support and a forum for sharing ideas. Membership of the group requires that the person is carrying out empirical or clinical research in the giftedness field, in association with a university, school, psychology practice or similar. Examples include university academics, Honours, Masters and PhD students and psychologists collecting clinical data.

Being such a small and often misunderstood field of research, it is hoped this group will help giftedness researchers feel connected with others who speak the same 'language' and share the same concerns... and as a result maintain their energy and 'voice' in furthering how gifted children and adults are understood. New researchers and those who feel isolated within their universities are particularly encouraged to join, as are experienced researchers who can offer their support and advice.

The group will soon begin meeting on an informal basis in Victoria, and also communicates through a web-based forum. Membership of the group is free. For further information, contact Jodie Valpied (PhD Student, University of Melbourne).  
Email: [jodievalpied@tpg.com.au](mailto:jodievalpied@tpg.com.au)

### **PASSIONATE TEACHERS SOUGHT FOR GIFTED PROGRAMS**

G.A.T.E.WAYS, a highly respected provider of educational programs, is seeking creative and enthusiastic expert teachers across a range of curriculum areas for work in Melbourne schools.

Over 200 people from a range of different backgrounds (primary, secondary & tertiary teaching; science; mathematics; the arts; politics; sport; philosophy & thinking skills ) have presented programs for G.A.T.E.WAYS in the last 13 years. Our organisation offers educational programs for primary and early secondary children who have special educational needs because of their advanced or potential abilities. This can be academic ability across a range of curriculum areas or talent in one area.

G.A.T.E.WAYS is seeking presenters of the highest quality to develop and teach programs to gifted and talented children. As a presenter you will be:

- Expert in your given field or fields
- Passionate about your field and able to convey this enthusiasm to children
- An excellent communicator who loves children
- Knowledgeable about the special needs of gifted children and how they learn, or be prepared to do some training in this area
- Creative, flexible and skilled in terms of curriculum development and delivery. Programs will be inquiry based, with lots of hands-on activities, problem solving, higher order thinking skills. Popular programs are those which are scenario-based, 'hypotheticals' or mysteries – children love learning embedded within such a framework. Programs will take children well beyond the regular curriculum
- Able to work with G.A.T.E.WAYS on program development
- Willing and able to travel throughout the metropolitan area. G.A.T.E.WAYS runs its programs at host schools from all educational sectors, from Bonbeach to Brunswick; from Malvern to Mooroolbark, and anywhere in between and sometimes beyond. Details of program types and timetables can be viewed on [www.gateways.edu.au](http://www.gateways.edu.au)

As a G.A.T.E.WAYS presenter you will be:

- Challenged and developed – we know that talented people are the key to our success
- Part of a fabulous team of interesting, enthusiastic individuals
- Valued by parents, teachers and the children themselves for your great programs
- Engaged on a flexible 'per program' contract basis. Talented presenters have the opportunity to do as little or as much work as it suits them and us in any given term.

G.A.T.E.WAYS requires

- You to have an Australian Business Number and a current Police Clearance/ Working With Children Certificate.
- Provide your own teaching materials and equipment

G.A.T.E.WAYS wants to talk to people from all fields, but especially those with expertise in children's literature, language and writing; science, mathematics, problem solving/thinking skills, philosophy, spoken English (debating/public speaking), politics/world issues; history; art and drama.

**Applications:**

Submit your current curriculum vitae, together with any further information in support of your application to:

Jill Lawrence & Win Smith

G.A.T.E.WAYS

PO Box 207

Blackburn 3130

or fax: 9894 2117

**From Dr Nicolas Colangelo**

**A Nation Deceived, Three Years Later:**

**Impact on Attitudes, Practices, and Policies about Acceleration**

The Belin-Blank Center for Gifted Education at the University of Iowa invites you to participate in a research study that involves completion of a brief (less than 10 minutes) online survey on the impact of the report A Nation Deceived. The purpose of the study is to evaluate how the release of A Nation Deceived three years ago has influenced attitudes, practices, and policies about academic acceleration.

The link to the Nation Deceived survey is <http://tinyurl.com/2jrojb>.

The survey also can be accessed at the Belin-Blank Website:

<http://www.education.uiowa.edu/belinblank/>

Please share this notice with colleagues who may be interested in completing the survey.

For more information, or if you believe you have received this message in error, please contact Nicholas Colangelo, Ph.D., at [nick-colangelo@uiowa.edu](mailto:nick-colangelo@uiowa.edu), 319-335-6148 or 800-336-6463.



## A LETTER FROM DR HARRY MILNE

Dear Colleagues,

I have recently received two requests, one from Professor Joe Renzulli and Professor Sally Reis, from the National research Center on the Gifted and Talented and the Neag Center for Gifted Education and Talent Development, at the University of Connecticut and the second from Professor Del Siegle, President of the National Association for Gifted Children (NAGC), USA and Conference Program Chair.

They have all asked me if I would circulate information they think may be of interest to educators and parents working with Gifted Children in the hope that you may be able to include it on your website or in one of your journals or newsletter. Specific permission has been granted by Joe and Sally to reprint their introductory paper ([renzulli@uconnvm.uconn.edu](mailto:renzulli@uconnvm.uconn.edu)). I apologise for the lateness of this notice, but I have been very ill.

Joe and Sally will be well known names to most people in the field. They have now developed the Renzulli Learning System (RLS), This is a student centred, web based program that incorporates the “Total Talent Portfolio”, “Curriculum Compacting”, Enrichment Triad Model”, “SPAF” authentic evaluation tool, and other elements of the “Schoolwide Enrichment Model”. A very brief introductory article is included below and a descriptive Figure is attached.

Del Siegle is particularly interested in encouraging people involved in the field to attend the NAGC Conference – more below. He has added an International strand to the Minneapolis, NAGC conference to encourage international researchers, presenters, and delegates to attend. He has asked if members of Associations could be advised so they may attend. I have been to one and found it a very satisfying experience. There were thousands of delegates and speakers in attendance, including most of the leaders in gifted education from all over the world. I expect there are members from your association who have attended NAGC Conferences over the years.

NAGC 2007, Minneapolis, Poised to Set Record!

The National Association for Gifted Children (NAGC) will be holding its 54th Annual Convention in Minneapolis, Minnesota on November 7-11, 2007. The theme of the conference is "Igniting Ideas and Innovations in Gifted Education".

This year's record-setting pace may ultimately lead to another record-breaking year! Is it the 350+ sessions or the marvelous Minneapolis skyline that's igniting such interest? If you haven't done so yet, register today. It's the not-to-be-missed event of the year. [Click here](#). See you there.



## A LETTER FROM DR HARRY MILNE (CONT.)

Previewed Feature Session:

### Standing on the Shoulders of Giants

How Our Historical Roots Influence Present Day Practice. From Guilford to Torrance to Meeker and beyond, travel back in time as you consider the giants in the field and their impact on present day practice. With more than 100 years of experience among them, this panel of distinguished leaders will share their insights and experience--looking to the past and to the future--about leadership and gifted education.

Moderator: James A. Curry -- Panelists: James J. Gallagher, Joseph S. Renzulli and Dorothy A. Sisk

Just one of 350 sessions when the authoritative voices and information pioneers converge for NAGC 2007!

The NAGC Convention program is divided into a number of strands, or topics of interest, which are generally related to NAGC's 14 content area divisions. In addition to these fourteen areas, this year there is a strand focused on math and science as well as a New "International" strand for presenters residing outside the United States. This "International" strand was created to provide a more international appeal to the conference and we hope members from the international community will consider submitting proposals to it.

Just announced! Sternberg to Keynote

World renowned researcher, author and lecturer Professor Robert Sternberg will keynote the Saturday general session. Dr. Sternberg returns to NAGC for his second consecutive year, having been awarded the E. Paul Torrance Creativity Award last year in Charlotte. This time, he will keynote the very important Saturday general session where parents are among the audience. Join us in welcoming this authoritative voice in the field

Hotels Are Filling Fast! Reserve your room today! Hotel deadlines approach!

NAGC has blocked rooms at great hotels in close proximity to the convention center. Reserve your room as soon as possible. You can do so by visiting our website [www.nagc.org](http://www.nagc.org) or calling toll free at 1-888-947-2233, convention code 3122.

Congratulations to the following members who will take office on September 1, 2007.

President

Del Siegle

Vice President:

Ann Robinson

At-Large Board Members:

Paula Olszewski-Kubilius

Jean Peterson

Division Board Member:  
Carol L. Tieso

Teacher Board Member:  
Christine Nobbe

The Fall issue of Gifted Child Quarterly focuses on best practices in gifted education. Look for it in late September. Articles include a synthesis of the research on educational practice and articles on the impact of acceleration and ability grouping, among others.

This information statement has been collated and edited from the originals by Harry Milne, to make it more timely. My apologies for any errors or omissions.

For further information on NAGC contact:

National Association for Gifted Children

(NAGC)

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Washington, DC 20036, USA

website [www.nagc.org](http://www.nagc.org) or calling toll free at 1-888-947-2233, convention code 3122.

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**A Time Saving Tool for High-End Learning: A Computerized Strength Assessment and Internet Based Enrichment Program**

**Joseph S. Renzulli  
Sally M. Reis  
The University of Connecticut**

Although “differentiation” is the contemporary buzzword in curriculum and instruction these days, high-end learning requires that teachers have the time and resources to do it well. Remarkable advances in instructional communication technology (ICT) have now made it possible to provide high levels of enrichment and the kinds of differentiation that facilitated advanced learning services to students who have access to a computer and the Internet. We have incorporated more than 30 years of research on talent development into the Renzulli Learning System (RLS), which is a strength-oriented Internet based enrichment program that is built on a high-end learning theory that focuses on the development of creative productivity through the application of knowledge rather than the mere acquisition and storage of knowledge. The Renzulli Learning System goes beyond the popular “worksheets-on-line” or courses on line that, by and large, have been early applications of ICT in most school situations. These early applications have been based on the same pedagogy that is regularly practiced in most traditional teaching situations, thereby minimizing the full capacity of ICT, and in many cases simply turning the Internet into a gigantic encyclopedia rather than a source of information for the application of knowledge in powerful learning situations.

The Renzulli Learning System is a comprehensive program that begins by providing a computer-generated profile of each student's academic strengths, interests, learning styles, and preferred modes of expression. A search engine then matches Internet resources to the student's profile from fourteen carefully screened data-bases that are categorized by subject area, grade level, state curricular standards, and degree of complexity. There are also hundreds of enrichment activities that can be down loaded and reproduced for individual or group learning activities. A management system called the Wizard Project Maker guides students in the application of knowledge to teacher or student selected assignments, independent research studies, or creative projects that individuals or small groups would like to pursue. Students and teachers can evaluate the quality of students' products using a rubric called The Student Product Assessment Form. Students can rate each site visited, conduct a self-assessment of what they have gained from the site, and place resources in their own Total talent Portfolio for future use. RLS also includes a curriculum acceleration management system for high achieving students that is based on the many years of research and widespread use of a popular differentiation process called Curriculum Compacting.

Teacher functions allow downloading of hundreds of reproducible creativity and critical thinking activities as well as numerous off-line resources for lesson planning and curricular integration. Management functions allow teachers to group students by interests and learning styles. The management tools also allow teachers to place teacher-selected resources in individual, whole class, or selected students' portfolios for classroom or special project use. Teachers can oversee all students' activity including where and when students have been on-line using the RLS, projects or assignments underway or completed, and areas where curriculum has been compacted. The system can be used at home and during summer, and parents can view their own son or daughter's work on the system. The principal or designated project manager can also examine all activity taking place in a given building or program. This feature allows for accountability, system assessment, and guidance in staff development and program planning needs.

The Renzulli Learning System is a product of The University of Connecticut Research and Development Corporation. Persons interested in examining the Renzulli Learning System can tour the website at [www.renzullilearning.com](http://www.renzullilearning.com) and further descriptive information can be obtained at [info@renzullilearning.com](mailto:info@renzullilearning.com).  
[www.gifted.uconn.edu](http://www.gifted.uconn.edu)

See Figure 1. Renzulli Learning System Overview ([www.renzullilearning.com](http://www.renzullilearning.com) )  
(See The In Tray on Gifted Resources homepage)

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## **A Letter from Glenn Ewin**

### **Gifted Adult Evenings.**

Having recently had several conversations with Jo Freitag it has been highlighted to me that there is a need for gifted adults out there in the world to connect. I am currently looking at setting up workshops that have an interactive type forum with gifted related topics. I am an NLP (Neuro Linguistic Practitioner) and a gifted adult myself.

My interest in this area is related to

- Assisting those adults who find it hard to relate the world outside
- Passing on different tools and strategies to allow these people to find a better way of being around this.

My thinking at this stage is to have several different workshops with varying themes to open up a conversation that will allow people to relate to other adults of similar minds.

If you are interested in this type of forum, please email me at [petaglennandgirls@bigpond.com](mailto:petaglennandgirls@bigpond.com) so that I can give the idea some serious thought.

I am also available for personal sessions if anyone does have a need to see someone to discuss any difficulties that they may be having with being a gifted adult out there in the world.

Yours truly  
Glenn Ewin.  
Phone 0407 338 846.

### **WiseOnes**

#### **Annual Conference Friday 26<sup>th</sup> October.**

Brandon Park Primary School

the topics are yet to be decided but the sessions will be run as if they were WiseOnes lessons; so teachers can get the feel of participation in a gifted class. It promises to be challenging in pace, complexity and dealing with abstract principles to over aspects of Intellectual, Moral and Social issues.

See the flyer in the In Tray section on the Gifted Resources homepage

<http://www.giftedresources.org/>

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<http://www.wiseones.com.au/>

### **WiseOnes Expressions of Interest Sought**

WiseOnes is interested in talking to teachers who may be interested in some part time contract work either teaching or promoting, or both, our programs in schools in their area. WiseOnes is in its 10<sup>th</sup> year of providing the gifted program but would like to reach out to more schools so that more children can have their special needs met. We have decided to trial the idea of an Area Development Officer to promote to and care for several schools in their own area. They may teach at some of them on a separate contract. The ADO contract is performance based on the numbers of children in the program. Check us on [www.wiseones.com.au](http://www.wiseones.com.au) and send an email of inquiry to [patwise@tpg.com.au](mailto:patwise@tpg.com.au)

## **V.A.G.T.C. CONFERENCE 2007**

### **Head & Heart**

Telstra Dome

Docklands Melbourne

Wed 14-Thursday 15 November 2007

[http://www.vagtc.asn.au/assets/htm/conf\\_intro.htm](http://www.vagtc.asn.au/assets/htm/conf_intro.htm)

<http://www.vagtc.asn.au/assets/pdf/07%20conf%20pdfs/VAGTC%20Conf%20Announcement.pdf>

## **CALL FOR PAPERS**

### **AAEGT 12th National Gifted and Talented Conference**

Hosted by Tasmanian Association for the Gifted Inc

Hotel Grand Chancellor Hobart Tasmania

9th - 11th July 2008

The theme of the 2008 conference is Celebrating Ability. The conference will provide all participants a stimulating and inspiring opportunity to explore a range of issues and challenges, ideas and resources. Participants include parents and educators who are highly motivated about the education and enrichment opportunities for gifted/highly able children.

A special invitation is extended to Tasmanian teachers - we want to hear about your innovative approach to Gifted Education.

The "Call for Papers" can be downloaded from the conference web page

[http://www.conventionwise.com.au/GT\\_Call\\_for\\_Presenters.pdf](http://www.conventionwise.com.au/GT_Call_for_Presenters.pdf)

## **SOME INTERESTING WEBSITES**

### **Hoagies PC Security advice**

[http://www.hoagiesgifted.org/pc\\_security.htm](http://www.hoagiesgifted.org/pc_security.htm)

### **Collections of Articles**

#### **Hoagies -the all things gifted page Table of Contents**

[http://www.hoagiesgifted.org/table\\_of\\_contents.htm](http://www.hoagiesgifted.org/table_of_contents.htm)

#### **Great Potential Press**

<http://www.giftedbooks.com/authorarticles.asp>

#### **Lesley Sword**

<http://giftedservices.com.au/handouts/index.html>

### **Shulamit Widawsky**

#### **Appetite Theory**

<http://www.shulamit.info/appetites.htm>

#### **Funnel Analogy**

<http://www.shulamit.info/funnel.htm>

#### **Outline of emotional aspects of the gifted/sensitive student**

[http://www.shulamit.info/emotional\\_needs.htm](http://www.shulamit.info/emotional_needs.htm)

## Chemistry

Carnegie Mellon Open Learning Initiatives Chemistry course

<http://www.learnlab.org/learnlabs/chemistry/>

MIT Open courseware

<http://ocw.mit.edu/OcwWeb/Chemistry/>

St Olafs

<http://www.stolaf.edu/depts/chemistry/courses/toolkits/>

Jewish Holocaust Museum and Research Centre Melbourne

<http://www.jhc.org.au/>

Look Me in the Eye: John Elder Robison

<http://jierobison.blogspot.com/>

Study guide

[http://www.johnrobison.com/downloads/LMINE\\_study\\_questions.pdf](http://www.johnrobison.com/downloads/LMINE_study_questions.pdf)

Book discussion on The Mind & The Brain by Dr. Jeffrey Schwartz and Sharon Begley

<http://serendip.brynmawr.edu/bb/neuro/neuro06/books/wmcdonald.html>

OCD UK

<http://www.ocduk.org/>

Birkdale Intermediate School NZ Problem based learning

[http://www.bis.school.nz:80/index.php?option=com\\_content&task=view&id=54](http://www.bis.school.nz:80/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=54)

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