



**GIFTED RESOURCES NEWSLETTER
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Gifted Resources News

Dear all

Once again it is time to wish you a blessed and very happy Christmas and a safe, healthy and prosperous new year.

And it is time to offer you some presents from Gifted Resources, Jo's own website and Sprite's Site blog

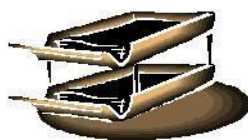
You will find the December 2010 – January 2011 Extension and Holiday Programs newsletter attached to the end of this newsletter.

On Gifted Resources website www.giftedresources.org I have updated and made some additions to both the Feetspeak and Film Discussions pages. I have made the Film Discussion notes for Little Man Tate available and will be adding some more Film discussion notes in the near future.

On Jo's own website you can read or download The Christmas Planner I developed the program for the Church Sunday School You can use it to help you organize a busy Christian Christmas season. It is based on the Christmas song The Twelve Days of Christmas and you can read it or download a copy for yourself at <http://giftedresources.org/jo/> I had hoped that we could use sales of the booklet to benefit the church's missionary ministry but the printing costs made it unrealistic for our small congregation. So I would like to suggest that you use the Pay it Forward principle. Download a copy, print it out, give it an attractive cover and use it for your own planning or give it as a gift and if you feel so moved- make a donation to a cause of your own choosing. And Sprite's Site blog offers you 12 Days of Christmas gifts from Sprite's Site <http://www.giftedresources.org/jo/blog/?p=1243>



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 The links in the newsletter are **not live** – please go to the In Tray to access them If you would like information included in the newsletter and/or the In Tray please send to contributions@giftedresources.org

G.A.T.E.WAYS FESTIVAL OF WORKSHOPS The Prep Festival December 9th and 10th Firbank Grammar School, Grade 1 - 6 Festival will be held on December 13th and 14th Wesley College .

[WEBSITE](#) [BROCHURE 1](#) [BROCHURE 2](#) [BROCHURE 3](#) [BROCHURE 4](#)

GLEN PARK COMMUNITY CENTRE Creative Writing Workshop for children 12 December 201 [WEBSITE](#)

Born Storytellers Holiday Program - Discovering the writer within Workshops 4-7 January 2011 [WEBSITE](#)

Born Storytellers Holiday Program – Discovering the artist within 4-7 January 2011 [WEBSITE](#)

CHIP Swinging through CHIP on TIME Summer holiday programs 17-21 January 2011 [PDF BROCHURE](#)

THINKING AHEAD Holiday programs 18-21 January 2011 [WEBSITE](#)

GERRIC Junior Scientia and Scientia Challenge: 19-21 January 2011 [WEBSITE](#)

GERRIC Parent weekend workshops Adelaide 12-13 March 2011 [WEBSITE](#)

Association for the Education of Gifted Underachieving Students Turning the Tide of Underachievement conference Honolulu March 26- 28 2011.

Howard Gardner The Disciplined Mind: Educational Visions for the Future Perth Monday 23rd May 2011 [WEBSITE](#)

GERRIC Parent weekend workshops Sydney 27- 28 August 2011 [WEBSITE](#)

GLOBAL VIRTUAL MEETING in secondlife January 29, 2011 at 9pm CEST, 8pm UK.

Invited speakers are Dr. Deborah Ruf from USA, Mary St George from New Zealand.

Topic: "UNDERACHIEVER" [WEBSITE](#)

19th WORLD CONFERENCE FOR GIFTED AND TALENTED CHILDREN Incheon Korea 8-12 August 2011 [WEBSITE](#)

VAGTC Inc. Biennial Conference 2011 8-9 September 2011 [FLYER](#)

11th International Conference of The Mathematics Education into the 21st Century Project

Turning Dreams into Reality: Transformations and Paradigm Shifts in Mathematics Education

Rhodes University, Grahamstown, South Africa September 10– 16, 2011 Preliminary Announcement and Call for Papers [FLYER](#)

PARENT SUPPORT GROUPS

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" - activities for preschoolers
- * "Primary Minds" - 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

or phone Carolyn (9576 5137)

P.O. Box 2808 Cheltenham, 3192

Email address is admin@giftedsupport.org

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

'THE BIG BANG COFFEE CLUB'

The Big Bang Coffee Club meets on the first Monday of the month at 9.30am (School and Public Holidays excepted) at:

The Coffee Club

Shop 49-50

Moonee Ponds Central

14-16 Hall Street

Moonee Ponds

3 hours of free undercover parking is available in the Moonee Ponds Central car park

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MAROONDAH GIFTED CHILDREN'S PARENTS' ASSOC.

Morning Coffee at MacDonald's, Maroondah Hwy. Croydon Vic. at 10.30 am on the first Wednesday of the month

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Ringwood East Vic 3135

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ijgrant@optusnet.com.au

Louise Howe Phone 9801 2912

louise_h@tpg.com.au

CHIP GEELONG

CHIP Family Support Group Geelong

Contact

Meg Kinsley email Kingsleys@optusnet.com.au

Bass Coast/South Gippsland shire, Phillip Island, Wonthaggi area

Megan Leigh would like to connect with other parents of gifted children in the Bass Coast/South Gippsland shire. Phillip Island, Wonthaggi area who would be interested in getting together for a network

Contact Megan Leigh

PO Box 906

Cowes, 3922

Phone (03) 5672 3336

Mobile 0411 469 759

email indigo2crystal@yahoo.com.au

Casterton and district area

Catriona Hill would like to connect with other parents of gifted children in the Casterton and District area

Contact : Catriona Hill

Phone (03)55812529

Mobile 0419008734

Email: antrim@netspace.net.au

Web: <http://au.groups.yahoo.com/group/tallpoppysyndrome/>

GIFTED RESOURCE AND INFORMATION GROUP - CASEY/CARDINIA

For families with gifted children in Casey/Cardinia

Meets at Maranatha Christian School Rix Rd, Officer.

Contact

Victoria Poulos

Phone 0420 286 307

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Email victoriapoulos@gmail.com

VICTORIA / NEW SOUTH WALES

[NSW ASSOCIATION FOR GIFTED & TALENTED CHILDREN ALBURY/WODONGA SUPPORT GROUP](#)

Meets bi-monthly in Wodonga, Victoria, and welcomes parents & teachers of gifted children

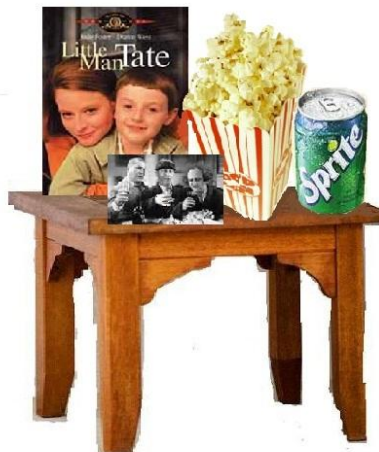
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Phone: 02 60215913

Assistant Secretary, Jeannie Bowen (02) 6021 2073

website link <http://www.nswagtc.org.au/albury-wodonga>



Born Storytellers Holiday Program - Discovering the writer within...

Kevin Price's writing workshops allows young writers to develop a range of skills required by writers in the creation of stories. This series of workshops is suitable for students in year 4 onwards. Participants are to bring a notebook, pen, dictionary and thesaurus. The cost of the writing workshop (4 x 3hrs) is \$140. More information about Kevin is available at: <http://www.bornstorytellers.net/>

Tuesday 4th Jan 9-12 noon.

Session One: *Observation and Ekphrases*. Students will learn how to observe, and practise writing detailed visual pieces, exploring techniques for writing vivid images.

Wednesday 5th Jan 9- 12 noon.

Session Two: *Naturalness and Flow*. Students will learn techniques of free writing, looking at ways they can tap into the natural flow of writing and make use of flow as part of their expression. They will explore writing in partnership to further enhance their understanding of 'flow'.

Thursday 6th Jan 9-12 noon.

Session Three: *Visualising and Change*. Students will explore situations that can be changed through writing, learning about the power of writing as a medium of change and a force for seeing things differently.

Friday 7th Jan 9 – 12 noon

Session Four: *Clarity and Simplicity*. Students will explore ways of improving the clarity of their writing and developing an understanding of the power of simple form and language, and the difference between descriptive writing and clutter.

Born Storytellers Holiday Program – Discovering the artist within...

Judith Price's drawing workshops allows young artists to develop a range of drawing skills. Her philosophy is that drawing is the basis of all art and expression, and to learn drawing skills at a young age puts students in a position of great advantage. Judith will teach observation skills and ways to transpose what a student sees onto the page. She will focus on basic shapes and how all objectives can be observed through the basic shapes, allowing students' drawing to become more organic and less mechanical. Judith's portrait gallery can be viewed at: <http://www.judithpriceartist.com> Drawing students materials supplied. This series of workshops is suitable for students in years 2 onwards. The cost of the drawing workshop (4 x 3 hrs) is \$180.

Tuesday 4th Jan 1-4pm Session One.

Wednesday 5th Jan 1-4pm Session Two.

Thursday 6th Jan 1-4pm.Session Three.

Friday 7th Jan 1-4pm Session Four.

Both facilitators have current Working with Children Checks.

The workshops will be held in the Carnaby Room at Moerlina School, 16 Brockway Road in Mount Claremont, WA.

Bookings and registrations can be made by visiting <http://bornstorytellers.net> or email kevin@bornstorytellers.net or phone 9594 6211

BAVARIAN CENTRE FOR GIFTED AND TALENTED CHILDREN

VIRTUAL GIFTED CONFERENCES IN SECOND LIFE

Next Global virtual meeting in secondlife will be held on Saturday
January 29, 2011, at 9pm CEST, 8pm UK.

Invited speakers are Dr. Deborah Ruf from USA, Mary St George from New Zealand.

Topic: "UNDERACHIEVER"

Here is some information on how to join:

1. Please create an avatar in secondlife

(<http://secondlife.com/whatis/avatar/?lang=en-US>)

2. Send us your avatar's name under info@begabungszentrum-bayern.de

3. To participate in this meeting you need a headset.

4. The meeting will take place in

(<http://slurl.com/secondlife/Degar/229/86/59>)

Our 3rd Global Virtual Meeting in Gifted Education in Secondlife was very successful!

Invited speaker: Dr. Monita Leavitt from USA.

Video:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2zh7POgkS5U>

Roya Klingner

Leiterin des Begabungszentrums Bayern

Specialist in Gifted Education

Fachtherapeutin für Integrierte Lösungsorientierte Psychologie

German Delegate in World Council for Gifted and Talented Children

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<http://www.begabungszentrum-bayern.de>

SOME INTERESTING WEBSITES

How to write a novel by the fractal snowflake method

<http://www.advancedfictionwriting.com/art/snowflake.php>

Using self portraits for self expression

<http://www.lessonplanet.com/article/gifted-and-talented-education/using-self-portraits-for-self-expression>

Aurora Borealis over Tromso Norway

<http://vimeo.com/16917950>

Jane Curry Face2Facebook - Elluminate Fine Focus session

<http://johart1.edublogs.org/2010/11/07/overview-edublogs-webinar-face-to-facebook/>

Jo Hart & Jo Freitag Sprite's Site- SerendipEd Elluminate session

<http://johart1.edublogs.org/2010/11/27/overview-edublogs-serendipity-webinar-sprite-and-2e/>

Sprite's Site account of visit to SerendipEd

<http://www.giftedresources.org/jo/blog/?p=1162>

Gifted Education journals

<http://www.gigers.com/matthias/gifted/journals.html>

G&TVoice _UK

<http://gandvoice.wordpress.com/2010/11/14/draft-charter-consultation-until-sunday-28-november/>

Annie Fox "The Please don't buy me any stuff gift giving guide"

http://www.anniefox.com/parents/parents_12-05.html

Derrin Cramer's blog

<http://derrin-thebrightside.blogspot.com/>

NAGC Renzulli and Social Capital

http://www.byrdseed.com/nagc-renzulli-social-capital/?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=feed&utm_campaign=Feed%3A+ByrdseedGiftedLessons+%28Byrdseed+-+Gifted+Lessons%29&utm_content=Twitter

Encounter Vol 20 No 4 Winter 2007 Homework Issue

http://people.hofstra.edu/Esther_Fusco/ENC204view.pdf

Sydney Morning Herald Something odd about home schooling?

<http://www.smh.com.au/opinion/society-and-culture/something-odd-about-home-schooling-20101129-18dt7.html>

Gifted education research from the Australian Education Index

[http://cunningham.acer.edu.au/dbtw-wpd/exec/dbtwpub.dll?TN=membersaei&QY=find%20\(DATE%20OF%20ENTRY%20%3DGifted\)&RF=GiftedBrief&DF=GiftedFull&MR=50&NP=2&ID=gifted&AC=QBE_QUERY](http://cunningham.acer.edu.au/dbtw-wpd/exec/dbtwpub.dll?TN=membersaei&QY=find%20(DATE%20OF%20ENTRY%20%3DGifted)&RF=GiftedBrief&DF=GiftedFull&MR=50&NP=2&ID=gifted&AC=QBE_QUERY)

Sharing- the moral imperative by Dean Shareski

<http://dotsub.com/view/027a4da1-8be2-4ea7-85e9-2e3be140db1a>

DoInk

<http://www.doink.com/>

GoAnimate

<http://goanimate.com/>

Digital and virtual museums

<http://eduscapes.com/tap/topic35a.htm>

Scale of the universe Carl and Michael Huang

http://primaxstudio.com/stuff/scale_of_universe/

YouTube The 3rd Global Virtual Meeting in Gifted Education in Secondlife - Part 1

Dr. Monita Leavitt re presenting about Future Problem Solvers

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2zh7POgkS5U&feature=related>

Michael F Shaughnessy interview with Dr. Monita Leavitt re the experience of presenting about Future Problem Solvers in Second Life

<http://www.educationnews.org/michael-f-shaughnessy/103804.html>

Roya Klingner First ever global virtual meeting for Gifted Education in Second Life

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WwrgKWSF5to&feature=more_related

Roya Klingner presenting on Multiple Intelligences in Second Life

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mw80WCaOF8U&feature=related>

The Edublogger

<http://theedublogger.com/>

Edubloggers guide to all things gmail

<http://theedublogger.com/2010/09/19/a-googleaholics-guide-to-all-things-gmail/>

Cybraryman's Google page

<http://cybraryman.com/google.html>

Tech the Plunge Treasure chest of Ed Tech resources

http://jeffthomastech.com/blog/?p=7806&utm_source=twitterfeed&utm_medium=twitter

Tony Nolan's website

<http://www.g3n1u5.com/index.html>

GERRIC Research Releasing the brakes

<http://gerric.arts.unsw.edu.au/GERRIC-Research/releasing-the-brakes/>

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Extension and Holiday Programs December 2010 – January 2011

Welcome to the Gifted Resources Email Newsletter Extension and Holiday programs edition
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AUSTRALIAN CAMPS ASSOCIATION

School Holiday Camps Programs

www.auscamps.asn.au/holidaycamps.asp

ACMI AUSTRALIAN CENTRE FOR THE MOVING IMAGE Creative workshops

<http://www.acmi.net.au/creative-workshops.htm>

AUSTRALIAN INSTITUTE OF SPORT

Holiday Programs

<http://www.ausport.gov.au/ais/visit/swimfit/holiday/svp>

BORN STORYTELLERS Holiday Program

Discovering the writer within Workshops

Discovering the artist within Workshops

4-7 January 2011

<http://www.bornstorytellers.net/>

CHIP

CHIP SUMMER HOLIDAY PROGRAM

Swinging through CHIP on TIME Summer holiday programs 17-21 January 2011 [PDF BROCHURE](#)

Full details of the holiday program and registration forms can also be found on the CHIP website www.chip.edu.au
[http://www.chip.edu.au/chip/chip04.nsf/54abac38bd40e895ca256be400202379/921791a366fa75b6ca256c4e00230fc4/\\$FILE/Summer%20HP.pdf](http://www.chip.edu.au/chip/chip04.nsf/54abac38bd40e895ca256be400202379/921791a366fa75b6ca256c4e00230fc4/$FILE/Summer%20HP.pdf)

Venue Clifton Hill Primary School (Enter via Page St)

Phone 0448 880 331 Fax 9744 7140

Email office@chip.edu.au

CSIRO EDUCATION VICTORIA

CSIRO Double Helix Holiday Programs

For details see

<http://www.csiro.au/melbcsirosec/holiday/>

EXTEND SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMS

For full details see

Holiday programs

<http://www.extendaustralia.com.au/locations.aspx>

GASWORKS ARTS PARK

School holiday programs

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

<http://www.gasworks.org.au/whats-on/classes-a-workshops/kids>

G.A.T.E.WAYS

Full details of programs can be found on the G.A.T.E.WAYS website

<http://www.gateways.edu.au/>

PO Box 207, Blackburn VIC 3130 Australia

Phone 03 9894 2116 Fax 03 9894 2117

Email info@gateways.edu.au

IMMIGRATION MUSEUM

What's On Exhibitions

<http://museumvictoria.com.au/immigrationmuseum/whatson/>

Phone: 03 9927 2700

Fax: 03 9927 2728

Web: <http://immigration.museum.vic.gov.au/>

MELBOURNE AQUARIUM

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

MELBOURNE MUSEUM

<http://www.melbourne.museum.vic.gov.au/>

Summer School Holiday Program

<http://museumvictoria.com.au/melbournemuseum/whatson/school-holidays/>

MELBOURNE PLANETARIUM

<http://museumvictoria.com.au/planetarium/>

MONASH SHORT COURSES CENTRE

www.shortcourses.monash.edu.au/

Term and school holiday classes

www.shortcourses.monash.edu.au/kids_classes.html

MONASH SCIENCE CENTRE

For full details of the science programs provided by Monash Science Centre see

<http://www.sci.monash.edu.au/msc/>

For details of holiday programs see

<http://www.sci.monash.edu.au/msc/shp/index.html>

NATIONAL GALLERY OF VICTORIA

<http://www.ngv.vic.gov.au/ngvkids/>

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF DRAMATIC ART (NIDA) SHORT COURSES

<http://www.nida.edu.au/SHORT-COURSES/default.aspx>

Youth holiday courses

PARKS VICTORIA

<http://www.parkweb.vic.gov.au/1whatson.cfm#results>

POWERHOUSE MUSEUM SYDNEY

School Holiday Program

http://play.powerhousemuseum.com/whatson/school_holidays.php

ROYAL QUEENSLAND YACHT SQUADRON

Sail and Play School Holiday Program

<http://www.sailandplay.com/>

RSPCA Holiday Program

http://www.rspcavic.org/kids_stuff/kidsstuff_holiday_program.htm

SCIENCEWORKS MUSEUM

<http://www.scienceworks.museum.vic.gov.au/>

Summer Holiday Program

<http://museumvictoria.com.au/scienceworks/whatson/school-holidays/>

THE ART FACTORY School Holiday Programs

See <http://www.theartfactory.com.au/Site/>

THINKING AHEAD Holiday programs 18-21 January 2011

<http://www.thinkingahead.com.au/program.htm>

ZOO & SANCTUARY Programs

Zoo Adventures Holiday programs

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

http://www.zoo.org.au/Learning/Public_Programs/Holiday

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