



**GIFTED RESOURCES NEWSLETTER  
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## *Gifted Resources News*

### Moving Gifted Resources

This month I have been very busy packing up and moving Gifted Resources office. Now Gifted Resources will be primarily an online Information Service.

I will still produce the Gifted Resources newsletter and maintain the Gifted Resources website and my personal website and Sprite's Site blog. I intend to still compile the Gifted Resources Information Packs.

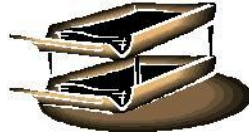
I am considering making the Film Discussions and other materials I have developed available online

Carmel Meehan, president of the VAGTC, spent a day with me checking and packing the VAGTC library books which were housed at and circulated from Gifted Resources office. They will now be housed at Camberwell Grammar School.

Once again I would like to thank Luther College for their generosity in providing an office for Gifted Resources and for all their support over the years.



## 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) 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](mailto:contributions@giftedresources.org)

**THINKING OUTSIDE THE BOX TERM 4** [FLYER](#)

**ALISON BROWN Teacher Workshops/Seminars** [FLYER](#)

**ALISON BROWN In-Synch Girls Groups Saturday mornings (October 16<sup>th</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup>, November 6<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup>)**

**WISEONES 13th ANNUAL CONFERENCE 23 October 2010** [FLYER](#)

**GIFTED SUPPORT NETWORK Twilight Expo 26 October 2010** [WEBSITE](#) [FLYER](#)

**SALLY-ANNE McCORMACK Term 4 “Stomp Out The ANTs” programs for children in Year 5 to 10 Wednesday afternoons from November 4<sup>th</sup> to December 9<sup>th</sup> (6 weeks)**  
[WEBSITE](#)

**ALISON BROWN P is for Perfect! Helping gifted children cope with perfectionism and anxiety. A Seminar for Parents and Educators 9 November 2010** [FLYER](#)

**FORD STREET LITERARY FESTIVAL Scotch College Junior School 19 November 2010** [FLYER](#)  
[BOOKING FORM](#)

**SALLY-ANNE McCORMACK Stomp Out The ANTs PD Friday 26 November 2010**  
[WEBSITE](#)

**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](#)

**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](#)

**11<sup>th</sup> International Conference of The Mathematics Education into the 21<sup>st</sup> 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](http://www.giftedsupport.org)

or phone Carolyn (9576 5137)

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Email address is [admin@giftedsupport.org](mailto:admin@giftedsupport.org)

**For the full program of Gifted Support Network activities see the excellent calendar of events at**

<http://www.giftedsupport.org>

## Gifted Expo Tuesday 26 October, 7:30pm

"Gifted Expo" organised by Gifted Support Network ([www.giftedsupport.org](http://www.giftedsupport.org))

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

Tuesday 26 October, 7:30

Southern Community Church of Christ,

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

This is a free event and supper is provided

RSVP [gifted-support@hotmail.com](mailto:gifted-support@hotmail.com)

For further information about Gifted Support Network please refer to the website [www.giftedsupport.org](http://www.giftedsupport.org)

Carolyn Priest

Secretary

Gifted Support Network Inc

Phone: 9576 5137

## '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

Contacts:

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## BIG BANG COFFEE CLUB

**Mini/Primary Minds group**

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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

Postal address:

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Ringwood East Vic 3135  
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## **CHIP GEELONG**

CHIP Family Support Group Geelong

Contact

Meg Kinsley email [Kingsleys@optusnet.com.au](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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

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## **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

For information contact

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Assistant Secretary, Jeannie Bowen (02) 6021 2073

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

## G.A.T.E.WAYS December 'Festivals of Workshops'

Once again G.A.T.E.WAYS is running two end of year extravaganzas! The Prep Festival will be held on December 9th and 10th at Firbank Grammar School, whilst the Grade 1 - 6 Festival will be held on December 13th and 14th at Wesley College. Staggered enrolments commence on October 18th.

For full details see G.A.T.E.WAYS website [www.gateways.edu.au](http://www.gateways.edu.au) and the In Tray on Gifted Resources website

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## Ford Street Literature Festival for Kids

I thought you and some of the gifted students in your network might be interested in the Ford Street Literature Festival for Kids on 19th November.

There will be fourteen illustrators and authors at the festival (including me) talking about our work and how we create it. Some of the other authors are Paul Collins, Meredith Costain, Hazel Edwards and Justin D'Ath, and Marc McBride will be doing an illustration demonstration.

The festival is for primary and secondary students and will be hosted by Scotch College, Hawthorn on November 19 between 10.30am and 1.30pm.

The event is open to students from Year 5 – Year 9. For \$20, they will receive light refreshments such as cakes, fruit platters, soft drinks and a gift bag of giveaways including a free book from Ford Street Publishing plus three hours of literature related activities. Students will be required to bring their own lunch, and need to be accompanied by one adult per 10 students and adults are admitted free.

Seats are limited and this event is likely to fill fast so places will be awarded on a strictly first-in basis.

.For further information, please contact Paul Collins on 9481 1120 or email [fordstr@internode.on.net](mailto:fordstr@internode.on.net) Or feel free to call me on 03 54 285 365 if you prefer.

Kind regards

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[www.deescribe.com.au](http://www.deescribe.com.au)

<http://twitter.com/DeeScribe>

# YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO ATTEND...



## *WiseOnes 13th Annual Conference*

**Topic: Transition issues your child might face in moving  
from Primary to Secondary school**

**Venue: Waverley RSL Coleman Pde Glen Waverley**

**Session 1 at 9.30am. Supporting parents of children in years 3 to 5 in their decision making about this important stage of life. What are the likely issues?** Guest speaker: **Vanessa Reynolds** G&T Coordinator Box Hill High School. Vanessa has the COGE from UNSW and a Post Grad Cert in Gifted Ed from Monash and is the mother of a gifted child. The combination of academic qualifications and human experience makes her a great speaker for us.

**Session 2 at 11.30 am** Discussion of the 6 types of gifted children as found by Maureen Neihart, Psy D, Associate Professor and Head of Psychological Studies at the National Institute of Education, Singapore. Learn how to recognize your child in the spectrum. This will help teachers to understand why only two types appear gifted in class. **Pat Slattery** and the **WiseOnes team**.

How to cope with the usual pressures associated with each type. General discussion in small groups, then reporting to the whole on the major points raised in your group. Parents can help each other using their experiences. WiseOnes teachers will be in the groups to assist.

Date: **Sat. 23<sup>rd</sup> October** Time: **9.30 to 12.30** . Please let us know if you would like lunch( extra cost). Minimum of 25 people needed for that. Receipts supplied on the day.

Pay **\$30** to **BSB 633000 Acc 121096531 WiseOnes** ( Conference only)

Email: [info@wiseones.com.au](mailto:info@wiseones.com.au) to confirm your payment details.

Note: I paid this on / /2010 Ref#

I sent the email on / / 2010

## FROM SUE LARKEY

Dear Jo,

I wanted you to know my website has been update with all the latest **NEW BOOKS, RESOURCES, TIP SHEETS** plus Term 4 **Workshops**.

This term there are a range of new workshops shown by location:

### NSW

- Teacher Assistant and Parent Workshops (Newcastle & Sydney)
- Getting Ready for 2011

### VIC

- Getting Ready for 2011 (Presented by Sue & Dr Richard Eisenmeyer)  
(Moonee Ponds and Croydon/Ringwood)

### QLD

- Teacher Assistant and Parent Workshop
- New Behaviour and Teaching Strategies Workshops

### SA

- Three Workshops (1 x Full Day & 2 x short workshops)
  - Getting Ready for 2011
  - 10 Essential Strategies for Primary & Secondary Schools (4pm-5.30pm)
  - The Early Years for Professionals and Families (6.30pm to 8pm)

### ACT

- Teacher Assistant and Parent Workshop

More information on the each workshops and resources is at the [www.suelarkey.com.au](http://www.suelarkey.com.au)

Best Wishes

Sue

[www.suelarkey.com.au](http://www.suelarkey.com.au)

Education Events Pty Ltd, PO Box 20, Artarmon, NSW, Australia, 1570

## FROM GERRIC

Dear parents,

GERRIC is beginning to plan our January 2011 programs for gifted and talented students and I have to tell you that regretfully there will be a significant change in the programs we are able to offer next year.

For 2011, at least, we are putting our two younger student programs, *Poppyseeds* and *Small Poppies*, on hold.

This has not been an easy decision but it is one that we have made after much thought and with the advice and support of GERRIC's Management Committee. These two programs are particularly expensive to run because of the very low student/teacher ratios we must adhere to in order to ensure the smooth running of these younger children's programs and, most importantly, the safety of the young children while they are on campus. For several years GERRIC has run these two programs at a financial loss, as a service to the community, but we cannot continue this indefinitely. As you may be aware, GERRIC is a **self-funding** Centre. My position as a professor in the School of Education is funded by the university but the salaries of all other GERRIC staff, including the casual staff (teachers) who teach the student program workshops during their vacations, are funded by the Centre itself from the finances accruing from our various programs.

*Junior Scientia* and *Scientia Challenge*, which serve older students, do not require such low student-teacher ratios, and therefore are able to break even in terms of costs and income. We are therefore able to continue to offer these two programs. Children will be eligible to enrol in *Junior Scientia* from January of the year in which they enter School Year 3.

I know that this will be a disappointment to you but I hope that you will understand our situation and the decision we have had to take.

Sincere good wishes,

Miraca U.M. Gross

## FROM GERRIC

Dear GERRIC friends and Family,

It is with great excitement we advise that the **2011 GERRIC Student Programs Applications are now open!**

The closing date for the January Programs is fast approaching (November 22nd) so get your application in today.

Visit the GERRIC website to view program information and download the application form for January 2011:

<http://gerric.arts.unsw.edu.au/for-gifted-students/>

Require further information?

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website: <http://gerric.arts.unsw.edu.au>

## SOME INTERESTING WEBSITES

School Psychology

<http://www.school-psychology.com.au/>

Gifted in SA blog

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

Raising kind hearted kids

<http://www.micheleborba.com/blog/2010/09/08/raising-kind-hearted-kids/>

Microsoft Worldwide Telescope for education

<http://www.microsoft.com/education/products/worldwidetelescope/default.aspx#In>

Updated blog links page

<http://www.giftedresources.org/gr/webgifblogs.htm>

Big blue button open source whiteboard

<http://bigbluebutton.org/>

Paper mosaics Origami tessellations

<http://www.papermosaics.co.uk/index.html>

Diigo

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

Gifted Online

<http://ultranet.giftededucation.org.nz/WebSpace/214/>

How to run an unconference

<http://www.fuzz2buzz.com/en/node/4409>

2E webinar

<http://www.slideshare.net/Giftedkids/dual-exceptionality-presentation-gifted-education-webianr>

Brightstorm

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



NCESSE

<http://ncesse.org/>

If I could gift wrap the moon

<http://blogontheuniverse.org/2009/07/02/if-i-could-gift-wrap-the-moon/>

Educational Origami Bloom's digital taxonomy

<http://edorigami.wikispaces.com/Bloom's+Digital+Taxonomy>

Taxedo

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

The mistakes we make

<http://thompsonblogs.org/altepeter/2010/10/10/the-mistakes-we-make/>

State Library of Victoria

<http://www.slv.vic.gov.au/node/1091>

NAGC WOW Webinars on Wednesday

<http://www.nagc.org/wow.aspx>

K12 Online conference 2010 Keynote presentation Sharing: the moral imperative

<http://k12onlineconference.org/?p=610>

Project Parallax

<http://www.martinsvillebulletin.com/article.cfm?ID=25451>

Vytheeshwaran Vedagiri's Blog Discover it for yourself

<http://eshwaranv.wordpress.com/2010/10/13/discover-it-for-yourself/>

Halloween and nut allergies - A scary combination

[http://www.sixtysecondparent.com/webapp\\_418871/Halloween\\_And\\_Nut\\_Allergies\\_-\\_A\\_Scary\\_Combination](http://www.sixtysecondparent.com/webapp_418871/Halloween_And_Nut_Allergies_-_A_Scary_Combination)

Coach Carole's Baranduda Blog

<http://coachcarole.wordpress.com/>

Cybraryman's homework page

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

50 Best blogs about Learning Disabilities

<http://www.guidetoonlineschools.com/tips-and-tools/learning-disabilities-blogs>

LesLinks Live binders

[http://livebinders.com/shelf/search\\_author?terms=Leslinks](http://livebinders.com/shelf/search_author?terms=Leslinks)

Creative Commons

<http://k12onlineconference.org/?p=623>

Project Based Learning

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

Irish Gifted Education blog

<http://www.dazzledandfrazzled.com/2010/10/gifted-in-force-at-irish-education.html?sref=tw>

Laughing at Chaos blog If I ran a Gifted Conference  
<http://laughingatchaos.com/2010/10/19/if-i-ran-a-gifted-conference/>

Just Margaret blog Differentiation in action  
<http://networkedblogs.com/9rBas>

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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)

### **DISCLAIMER**

Gifted Resources aims to provide information about events, services and websites that could be of interest.

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