



**GIFTED RESOURCES NEWSLETTER
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Here is Gifted Resources Newsletter for June 2016 No 2
No 2 is the same as No1 but has additional information from
Gifted Support Network, Thinking Outside the Box, VAGTC, CHIP
Geelong and Sprite's Site blog. The Winter Holiday Programs
newsletter is also attached to this newsletter.

Last month I ceased sending the Gifted Resources monthly
newsletter out by email. Now it is published on the homepage of
Gifted Resources website. It does make it easier to post an
updated or revised version of the newsletter.

The Information Pack will be published online rather than as a
hard copy sent out by post. I am still working on that and will
notify when it is compiled

If you would like to have brochures, flyers or business cards
included in the 2016 pack please could you email them to me.

I also need to review my digital footprint as there are some places
such as LinkedIn and Pinterest where I have a profile but am not
currently active there. I joined some of these during tutorial
webinars and some for a particular purpose at the time.

In June we celebrate the birthday of Sprite's Site blog
<http://spritessite.wordpress.com/> so the Topiary Tree Octopus
(Octopus Topiarii) in the Topiary Tessellation Bird Leaf Tree is
getting ready for the party!





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 If you are not able to access the links here 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

VAGTC Identify Support Educate Gifted Education seminar series Victoria 2016
Traralgon 19 July 2016 [FLYER](#)

VAGTC Identify Support Educate Gifted Education seminar series Victoria 2016
Warrnambool 18 August 2016 [FLYER](#)

TASMANIAN ASSOCIATION FOR THE GIFTED 7th Biennial State Conference
No limits... Elizabeth College North Hobart
26-28 August 2016 [PDF FLYER](#)

AAEGT 2016 National Gifted Conference, Sydney
Beyond the Boundaries in Gifted Education
29 September - 1 October 2016 [WEBSITE](#)

VAGTC Identify Support Educate Gifted Education seminar series Victoria 2016
Horsham 5 October 2016 [FLYER](#)

VAGTC Identify Support Educate Gifted Education seminar series Victoria 2016
Shepparton 14 November 2016 [FLYER](#)

WCGTC 22nd WORLD CONFERENCE Sydney Australia 20-23 July 2017 [WEBSITE](#)

GIFTED SUPPORT GROUPS

GIFTED SUPPORT NETWORK INC.

Active network in Melbourne's south eastern, western and north eastern regions 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
- * Regular email/Facebook updates on events/articles of interest to families with gifted children

For further information visit www.giftedsupport.org
P.O. Box 2808
Cheltenham, 3192
Email address is admin@giftedsupport.org
BROCHURE PDF BROCHURE
News of activities see <http://www.giftedsupport.org/news.php>

Parents and teachers
Community Hall, Southern Community Church of Christ, 4 Chesterville Rd, Cheltenham
GSN Seminar Series
Thursday 2 June 2016
7:30pm - 9:30pm

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TOPIC: Giftedness and autism

Autism Spectrum Conditions are diagnosed in individuals with a wide range of abilities, including those who are gifted. While there is considerable knowledge available to educators and parents about autism and giftedness separately, there has been relatively little research in relation to educational provision for gifted children on the autism spectrum. Susan will examine some of the available literature and introduce case studies of gifted individuals on the autism spectrum. The session will focus on:

- differentiating characteristics of autism from those of giftedness
- understanding the unique strengths and weaknesses of individuals who are both gifted and on the autism spectrum
- providing appropriate support at home and school

Susan will highlight the important role of parents in assisting these 'twice-exceptional' learners.

Susan Wade is a PhD candidate in the Faculty of Education at Monash University. Her research focuses on gifted individuals on the autism spectrum. She is also an educational consultant and experienced secondary teacher. Susan holds a Bachelor of Arts (Hons) from The University of Melbourne, a Graduate Diploma of Education (Secondary), and a Master's degree in Education (specialising in Gifted Education) from Monash University. She has given seminars, conference presentations and staff professional development sessions relating to education, giftedness and the autism spectrum. Susan has been awarded the Monash University / Herald Sun Victorian Graduate Teacher of the Year, a Creative Innovation Asia Pacific Innovation Leader scholarship, an ASfAR / APEX Autism Trust Award and the ASfAR Margot Prior Prize. She is passionate about seeing individuals on the autism spectrum reach their potential.

Cost: \$5 members, \$10 non-members.

RSVP essential: Please text Louise on 0414 578 806 or email admin@giftedsupport.org

You may join GSN at the Seminar and receive the discounted entry price.

Upcoming Events

Everyone welcome
Kingston Town Hall
Gifted and 2e Fair
Sunday 9 October 2016
2:00 - 5:00pm

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09
OCT

Save the Date! Kids Like Us and Gifted Support Network are teaming up to bring you a Fair of everything Gifted and 2e.

- Gifted and 2e Exhibitors - associations, organisations and individuals to connect with, all under the one roof
- Seminars for parents - useful tips to take home
- Workshops for children - have fun with "like minds"
- Networking lunch for exhibitors - a rare opportunity to network

'THE BIG BANG COFFEE CLUB'

The Big Bang Coffee Club meets on the first Wednesday 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
All are welcome.

For newcomers: Moonee Ponds is well serviced by public transport. For drivers, free undercover parking for up to 3 hours is available at Moonee Ponds Central: Enter from Mt Alexander Road, Hall Street, or Homer Street. Park your car, go through the entrance doors and take the escalator to the top floor, where you will see Kmart, and it is a few doors down from there, on the corner (Adjacent to Hall Street).

For more information please contact:

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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:

c/- 13 Heathwood St

Ringwood East Vic 3135

Contact Jennifer Grant

Phone 9779 4218

ijgrant@optusnet.com.au

Louise Howe Phone 9801 2912

louise_h@tpg.com.au

BELGRAVE PARENT SUPPORT GROUP

Meetings generally monthly on Mondays

Contact Heike Reich

Phone (03) 9752 5420

Email heikemagnus@yahoo.com.au

CASTERTON AND DISTRICT AREA

Catriona Hill would like to connect with other parents of gifted children in 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

Contact

Victoria Poulos

Phone 0420 286 307

Email victoriapoulos@gmail.com

GIFTED FAMILIES SUPPORT GROUP (NSW)

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

For details of coming events and activities such as GEM and Mums' dinners see

<http://www.gfsg.org.au/index.php/whatson>

CHIP GEELONG

<http://www.chipgeelong.ingeelong.com.au/>

CHIP Family Support Group Geelong

http://www.chipgeelong.ingeelong.com.au/?page_id=12

Future events for details see http://www.chipgeelong.ingeelong.com.au/?page_id=63

Treasurer : Sue Bettanin

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CHIP Workshops

A fun way for gifted children to take
on new adventures with like-minded friends

DRUMMING WORKSHOP WITH LISA SINGLINE FROM THE ACABELLAS

SUNDAY 19TH JUNE, 2016

2:00PM – 3:30PM

HIGHTON PRIMARY SCHOOL HALL, ROSLYN RD HIGHTON

COST: \$20 MEMBERS / \$25 NON-MEMBERS (SORRY NO REFUNDS OR CREDITS)

WHAT TO BRING: WATER BOTTLE

NUMBERS ARE LIMITED. UNREGISTERED CHILDREN MUST NOT REMAIN ON PREMISES WITHOUT PARENTAL SUPERVISION.

IMAGINE THE SOUND OF A POUNDING DRUM. YOUR CHILD SENSES THEIR HEART BEAT. THE SLOW, STEADY RHYTHM HELPS THEM TO CALM AND FOCUS THEIR MIND.

NOW FOR THE STRONG BEAT. LOUD DRUMMING INVOKES **PASSION. FRENZY!**

.... BUT THE SOFT BEAT RETURNS YOUR CHILD TO A PLACE WHERE THEY ARE IN CONTROL.

WE ALL KNOW THAT MUSIC IS FUN. BUT DRUMMING HAS OTHER BENEFITS TOO, FOR THE MIND AND BODY:

- DRUMMING IS A MENTAL CHALLENGE - THE MIND IS FOCUSED WHILE THE HANDS ARE BUSY
- IT IS VERY PHYSICAL - GOOD FOR CARDIO AND COORDINATION
- DRUMMING BUILDS CONFIDENCE. IT IS A SKILL WE CAN ALL PICK UP. WE ALL HAVE RHYTHM!

ABOUT LISA FROM THE ACABELLAS

THE ACABELLAS ARE REGULAR PRESENTERS AT CHIP. LISA RUNS A VARIETY OF SINGING AND INSTRUMENT-BASED WORKSHOPS INCLUDING STRINGS & THINGS, UKULELE AND DRUMMING.

REGISTRATION AND PAYMENT BY:
9TH JUNE 2016
EMAIL CHIPGEELONG@GMAIL.COM



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Support Group
Geelong Inc.**

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FROM HEN - HOME EDUCATION NETWORK

The Education Regulations 2007 are currently being renewed with new regulations due out next year. The Education Department are now taking submissions on the current regulations with details on how to make a submission here. This public consultation process closes 5pm 17 June.

More details on the implications for home educators see Home Education Network (HEN) with members informed of developments.

<http://home-ed.vic.edu.au/>

<http://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/department/legislation/Pages/act2006regsreview.aspx>

<http://home-ed.vic.edu.au/education-regulations-review-vic/>

HEN has prepared a draft HEN submission which can be downloaded (PDF 185kb) at <https://www.dropbox.com/s/t3a2iqkr7zo58nb/Draft%20HEN%20submission%20on%20regulations%202016.pdf?dl=0>

Kind regards

Sue Wight

Coordinator

Home Education Network

VAGTC

What is happening at the VAGTC?

For several months the VAGTC has been in a transitional phase as we move to make our Association more effective and efficient.

Sadly we said farewell to our long standing administrative assistant Sylvia Green who decided to retire from this role. We were sad to see her retire, but time waits for no man or woman as we all know.

We welcome **Ms. Kristy MacDonald** to the role of VAGTC Administrative Assistant.

Please note that we have changed our postal address to 2/3 Wellington Street, Kew. 3101.

Universal Securities have generously donated a "hot desk" to the VAGTC in their new and spacious premises where they also share office space with Tournament of Minds. We humbly thank Bronwen Bennett for her generosity. (Bronwen was one of the foundation presenters and builders of Tournament) and truly understands the gifted enigma.

We have a team of Swinburne University final year students building us a more user friendly web site which will be launched in early June 2016. <http://www.vagtc.org.au/>

Humble apologies for the delay in launching our next edition of The Resource Book, we have had some transition issues with the change over of personal, but hope to have our administration issues sorted out very soon in terms of membership, and publications.

The 2016 rural seminars are again being funded by DET and commence on the 26th of May in Mildura.

We are again indebted to the leaders of the schools who have provided us with venues. (see flyer for dates and venues.)

Please note that bookings are via the email address on the flyer. To better cater for your needs we are asking for pre and post seminar assessments which will provide us with more accurate data for future work. The seminars are again V IT accredited....very helpful for CRT professional learning.

Yours in Gifted Education,

Carmel Meehan VAGTC President.


THE VAGTC HAS A NEW WEBSITE

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

The Victorian Association for Gifted and Talented Children presents:

IDENTIFY SUPPORT EDUCATE

GIFTED EDUCATION SEMINAR SERIES
REGIONAL VICTORIA 2016



Mildura
THURSDAY MAY 26

Traralgon
TUESDAY JULY 19

Warrnambool
THURSDAY AUGUST 18

Horsham
WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 5

Shepparton
MONDAY NOVEMBER 14

For EDUCATORS, PARENTS, and CAREGIVERS



The Victorian Association for Gifted and Talented Children (VAGTC) is conducting a series of Department of Education and Training (DET) funded, specialized seminars across regional Victoria for 2016. The seminars will suit K-12 teachers, educational leaders, early childhood professionals, parents and carers, and are presented by educators and experts in the field of gifted education.

Parent seminar (7-9pm): Support your gifted and talented child with resources and tools that include strategies to foster positive relationships with your child's school and community.

Teacher seminar (1-4pm): Identification and supporting gifted students in the classroom. Note: Victorian Institute of Teaching (VIT) accreditation applies. Teacher participants are required to complete an online pre-evaluation survey prior to the seminar.

Cost: FREE

For more information and registration please visit www.VAGTC.info
or scan the QR code:



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Department of
Education & Training

Victorian Association for Gifted & Talented Children
ABN 93 904 346 898



GERRIC Announcement

Never Stand Still

Faculty of Arts & Social Sciences

School of Education

GERRIC Student programs and parent course

GERRIC offers a range of programs for gifted and talented students (generally students who are capable of performing in the top 10% of their age-peers). GERRIC holiday programs will open your mind to abilities you may have not suspected you possess, and opportunities to use these abilities to the fullest. You'll meet other kids who share your interests and you'll also meet inspiring teachers who love working with gifted students.

The 2016 Winter Student Programs will be held:

Date: Tuesday 5 July - Thursday 7 July 2016.

Applications close 1 June 2016.

[Apply here.](#)

Specialised parent course

The next specialised parent course will take place in July and will be facilitated by Ruth Phillips. The topic for the day will be 'Underachievement prevention and support' and will focus on

- What the Research on underachievement says
- Developing self-regulation and growth mindset
- School and why context matters.

Dates: Wednesday 6 July 2016

Times: 9:00am - 3:15pm

[Apply here.](#)

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2016 AAEGT National Gifted Conference

Beyond the Boundaries in Gifted Education

29 September – 1 October 2016

The 2016 AAEGT National Gifted Conference

Hosted jointly by UNSW and the Gifted Families Support Group (GFSG) Inc., the conference will be held from 29 September 2016 to 1 October 2016 on the main Kensington campus of UNSW. The conference welcomes all members of the gifted education community, including researchers, educators, families, health professionals, and gifted individuals.

The theme of the conference is Beyond the Boundaries in Gifted Education. Conference sub-themes include:

- Twice exceptionality
- Diversity
- STEM

- Advocacy
- Underserved populations
- Indigenous groups
- Creativity
- Allied health
- Socio-emotional development
- Curriculum and pedagogy
- Career development
- Other

Keynote Speakers



Professor Paula Olszewski-Kubilius
Director, Center for Talent Development,
Northwestern University, USA



Professor Del Siegle
Director, National Center for Research on Gifted Education,
University of Connecticut, USA



Date: 29 September – 1 October 2016

Location: UNSW Kensington

Website: <https://www.nationalgiftedconference2016.arts.unsw.edu.au/>

Register Now Online

<https://www.nationalgiftedconference2016.arts.unsw.edu.au/conference-registration-open-now>



Completing these workshops will contribute to QTC Registered PD addressing Standards: 1.5.4 & 6.4.4 for teachers towards maintaining Lead Teacher Accreditation in NSW.



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GFSG Inc - South Coast Sub-branch

Who we are:

Gifted Families Support Group Incorporated is a not for profit association with the vision to support gifted children, their families, and their educators. GFSG Inc. is affiliated with the Australian Association for the Education of Gifted and Talented Children (AAEGT) and represents NSW on the national board.

What we do:

GFSG Inc. committee members draw on their personal experiences raising gifted children, coupled with invaluable advice from experts in the gifted field, to provide families and educators with a range of opportunities for support. In particular, GFSG Inc. aims to provide opportunities for gifted children to connect with 'like minds', to provide families the opportunity to openly discuss their own experiences without judgement, and to promote access for educators to quality professional development regarding the education of both gifted and GLD children. GFSG Inc. also supports the AAEGT in advocating for gifted individuals at a national level and is involved in the annual Gifted Awareness Week- Australia.

What we offer at South Coast Sub-branch:

- GEM (Games for Enquiring Minds) K-8 Games sessions
 - Get together and interact with 'like minds' in a supportive environment. GEM offers lots of fun including board games and creative challenges.
 - GEM sessions are held in Nowra and Bateman's Bay.
- Quarterly eNewsletter
- Full Members' private Facebook group.
- Full Members' Edmodo
- Our website with event information, Kids Corner, useful links and much more www.gfsg.org.au.
- Non-members are welcome to attend events, though membership discounts do apply. GFSG Inc. welcomes feedback and suggestions for events / excursion venues / seminar topics to be considered for inclusion in the annual program.

Who can join:

Membership application is open to anyone who shares a commitment to supporting the needs of gifted children. Please view our website www.gfsg.org.au for further information regarding membership options. For further information on GFSG Inc South Coast events, or to be added to the mailing list, please feel free to contact GFSG Inc South Coast via email southcoast@gfsg.org.au. For further information on membership or other GFSG Inc. events around NSW, please feel free to contact GFSG Inc via email info@gfsg.org.au.





for the 7th Biennial State Conference of the Tasmanian Association for the Gifted Inc.

No Limits ...

*seeking approaches to educational
excellence and fulfilling potential*

Submission details: Interested presenters are invited to submit a 150-word abstract for either a 45-minute paper/presentation or one and a half hour workshops or panel discussion, consistent with the title/theme of the conference. We will be seeking presentations suitable for teachers, parents and psychologists that explore educational as well as the social and emotional needs of highly talented and gifted students from across all years of schooling.

Abstracts along with a 50-word biography should be emailed to tasgifted@gmail.com or sent by mail to: Conference

Manager, Tasmanian Association for the Gifted Inc., PO Box 1942, Hobart, TAS, 7001 by January 31, 2016. Please include in your submission details of your media requirements. Any commercial interests in relation to your proposed sessions must be declared in your proposal. Submission of an expression of interest is your implicit agreement that, if you are selected to present you will provide a copy of the full presentation before the conference.

The abstract and presentation will be published on TAG's website. For further information phone 0488 291 497



TAG is a non-profit, parent-based organisation dedicated to sharing information and promoting awareness of the needs of gifted children.

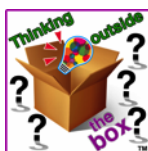
August 26 - 28, 2016

The conference will commence on the evening of Friday, August 26

**Elizabeth College,
North Hobart**

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Thinking Outside The Box

Programs for Term 3, 2016

Grades: 1 & 2 - Maths Monster (Open-ended Numeracy)

What would it be like if the Maths Monster was EVERYWHERE? If the only way to keep the Maths Monster away was to make up and answer heaps of maths questions? You might make up questions like: How long does it take to get ready for school if it takes 10 minutes to get dressed, 15 for breakfast and 5 to brush your teeth? And how many cars do you see on the way to school if you see 7 red ones, 4 blue ones and 9 white ones? OH, NO! What if one of them is a truck? Then if the teacher puts everyone into 5 groups of 4, how many children are there? What if two children are away? How many groups could you have then? If the answer to a question is '6 ice-creams', what could the question be?

When you come to this program you will help to defeat the Maths Monster. The only way is to make up and answer as many maths questions as you can. There'll be a new theme each week. After a while the Maths Monster will begin to get tired. Can you help defeat him before the end of the term? Let's hope so!



Grades: 1 & 2 – Illuminating The Mysterious Theia (Science – Light and Sound)

Who was the mysterious Theia and what is her unknown story? What were all her talents and why was she the perfect wife of the Hyperion? How can the science of light and sound help us answer these questions?

To find out Theia's secret identity you will need to explore the science of light and sound and then solve darkly-hidden clues. Each week you will be enlightened by the fascinating qualities of light and sound. You will heed and reflect on your learning to help uncloak coded messages. Each message will reveal new aspects of Theia's character.

Will you be able to put all the evidence and science together to discover the story of Theia's life? Will you expose enough about her amazing qualities to envision her appearance? When you look back on this program, you will be transfixed with what you witnessed!



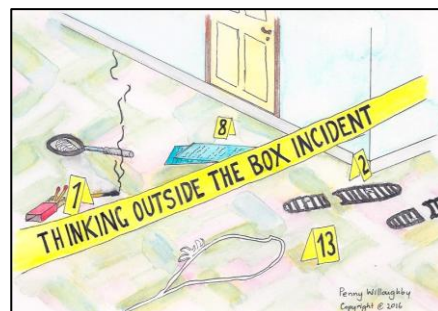
Grades: 3 & 4 – Super Sleuth (Chemical Science)

Do you have super-sleuthing skills? Can you solve riddles, follow clues and deduce what happened? Will you be able to use scientific methods to nab the culprit? If you think you can, then this program's for you!

Each week there will be a mystery to solve. It could be a theft, a disappearance or some other type of crime. You will learn about CSI techniques that will help you investigate each incident. You will also be given clues and riddles to solve. Your job will be to use everything you learn to solve the crimes.

But there's an added twist! The perpetrator is one of the students in the class! A traitor!!! Can you work out who it is each week?

This program will present a true challenge to your intellectual prowess and sleuthing skills.



Grades: 5 & 6 – Science Secret (Chemical Science)

Renowned criminal, Professor Deklin Hyde, has committed another crime! Never before caught, Professor Hyde has the police baffled yet again. His secret is in the science. Every time he commits a crime, Professor Hyde uses science to fool the police.

But this time might be different. Can you find out Professor Hyde's science secret and solve the mystery? You'll need to conduct a range of science experiments then work out which one the Professor used to cover up his crime.

Apply only if you're game!



Venues and Dates

<p>Tecoma Primary School (\$317/program incl. GST)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Grades 1 & 2 – <u>Theia</u> Wednesdays (6 Weeks) 27 Jul & 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 Aug 11:30am - 1:30pm	<p>Essex Heights Primary School (\$317/program incl. GST)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Grades 5 & 6 – <u>Science Secret</u> Tuesdays (8 Weeks) 19, 26 Jul, 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 Aug, 6 Sep 3:45pm - 5:15pm
<p>Kallista Primary School (\$317/program incl. GST)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Grades 3 & 4 – <u>Super Sleuth</u> Mondays (6 Weeks) 25 Jul & 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 Aug 12:30pm - 3:00pm	<p>The Patch Primary School (\$317/program incl. GST)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Grades 1 & 2 – <u>Maths Monster</u> Wednesdays (6 Weeks) 27 Jul & 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 Aug 9:00am - 11:00am
<p>Narre Warren North Primary School (\$317/program incl. GST)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Grades 1 & 2 – <u>Theia</u> Thursdays (6 Weeks) 21, 28 Jul, 4, 11, 18, 25 Aug 11:30am - 1:30pm• Grades 3 & 4 – <u>Super Sleuth</u> Fridays (6 Weeks) 29 Jul, 5, 12, 19, 26 Aug, 2 Sep 11:30am - 1:30pm	

Early bird bookings (10% discount) **close on Wednesday, 22 June 2016**

Regular bookings close on Thursday, 14 July 2016.

Please visit our website at : www.totb.com.au

Register for our newsletter to receive regular updates on our programs



WHAT'S COMING UP



G.A.T.E.WAYS MID YEAR FESTIVALS ARE ON AGAIN - PARENT ENROLMENTS OPEN ON MAY 9!

The **Melbourne Festival** will be hosted by Firbank Girls' GS in Brighton on Wednesday June 22 and Thursday June 23 and will be open to children from Year 1 - 6

[Year 1 and 2 program](#)

[Year 3 and 4 program](#)

[Year 5 and 6 program](#)

The **Canberra Festival** will be hosted by Canberra GS on Monday June 27 and Tuesday June 28 and will offer programs for children from Kinder- Year 7

[Kinder, Year 1 and 2 program](#)

[Year 3 and 4 program](#)

[Year 5, 6 and 7 program](#)

Parents can enrol from the Festival page on our website where enrolment instructions can also be found. Programs fill very quickly, so if you are interested, don't delay!

<http://www.gateways.edu.au/programs/festivals/mid-year-festivals>



G.A.T.E.WAYS newsletter – The

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www.gateways.edu.au

and enter your subscriber details at the bottom of the page.

MATHEMATICS EDUCATION FOR THE FUTURE International Conference Hungary Conference September 2017

Dear Jo,
Many thanks for your help in the past.
Could you kindly insert the notice below in your newsletter, blogs etc?
Thanks and best wishes,
Alan

Dr. Alan Rogerson
D.Phil (Oxon), M.Sc., B.Sc., B.A. (Lon), Dip.Ed., Cert. Ed. (Cantab).
Chairman of the International Program Committee
Co-ordinator of the Mathematics Education for the Future Project

Hungary Conference September 2017

The 13th International Conference of the Mathematics Education for the Future Project in Catania, Sicily September 2015 was attended by 130 people from 22 countries. The next conference will be held NEXT YEAR at Balatonfüred, Balaton Lake, Hungary from September 10-15, 2017. The conference title, Mathematics Education for the next Decade, continues our search for innovation in mathematics, science, computing and statistics education. Our thirteen previous conferences since 1999 were renowned for their friendly and productive atmosphere, and attracted many movers and shakers from around the world. We now call for papers and workshop summaries for presentation at the conference and publication in the printed conference proceedings.
For further details and updates please email alan@cdnalma.poznan.pl

FROM PAT SLATTERY

Hi Jo

I am conducting research on wifi damaged people to see if I can find any common elements. The first obvious thing is they are all high IQ people. Secondly almost all are female and many are firstborn children. We know the levels in Australia, far higher than in Europe, damage DNA, sperm and ova and dumb kids down and is proven linked to autism. We suspect that damage to the gland between the brain halves, known as the Third Eye, damages self control and spirituality and may increase aggression. This is ongoing research. I think parents of gifted children need to be warned.

I give you permission to publish this text in gifted resources and will follow up as more links appear. Lots of science on australianbiophysics.org soon to be .com as it is overloaded now on .org. Overseas wifi in schools banned in increasing number of countries and removal of all towers within 1km of schools

Contact fastlearners@outlook.com

Pat Slattery

FROM BILL ZIMMERMAN

Dear Colleagues,

MakeBeliefsComix.com just added some new animated characters to its diverse cast of characters at the free comic strip generator. I know that many of you use the site with your students and would welcome feedback as to how your young people react to the animation. This is a new endeavour for us, and we value your input as we move ahead with additional animation and keep improving our educational resource. Please let us know what you think. You can write directly to me at: billz@makebeliefscomix.com.

As always, thank you for your support and encouragement.

Sincerely,

Bill Zimmerman

Creator, MakeBeliefsComix.com

Sue Larkey presents

Understanding Autism Spectrum Disorder

Dr Tony Attwood

Melbourne
(Moonee Valley)
Friday 3rd June 16

PRESENTATION CONTENT

Dr Tony Attwood: Autism Spectrum Disorder –
A different way of thinking, learning and managing emotions.

Content will include:

- Cognitive Abilities: A different way of thinking and learning
- Managing Challenging Behaviour
- Managing Feelings: Cognitive Behaviour Therapy and its role in providing greater strategies to manage emotions and behaviour
- The Emotional Tool Box, what it is and how to use
- Strategies to Improve Social Understanding and Friendship Skills
- Special Interests: Origins and constructive strategies
- Girls with Asperger's Syndrome
- Sensory Sensitivity

Sue Larkey : Welcome, Keynote Address and Closing

* Course will contribute
to VIT Annual Renewal
Requirements *

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

Parents, family members, care staff, educators, clinicians—anyone wanting to understand more about Autism Spectrum Disorder and how to support children and adults with an ASD.

Registration Includes morning tea and a light lunch.

A range of Sue Larkey and Tony Attwood books and resources will be available for purchase on the day.

REGISTER NOW AT www.suelarkey.com

This workshop is aligned with the 'Australian Professional Standards for Teachers' and will contribute towards VIT annual renewal requirements.

Scope of Endorsement

Australian Professional Standards for Teachers at the level of Proficient Teacher 1.2.2, 1.4.2, 1.5.2, 1.6.2, 2.6.2, 3.3.2, 3.4.2, 4.1.2, 4.3.2, 6.4.2 for the course Making it a Success – Teaching and Behaviour Support Strategies for students with an Autism Spectrum Disorder presented by Sue Larkey.

Don't miss world-renowned expert in Autism and Aspergers Syndrome in an informative and empowering one-day seminar!

Friday 3rd June 2016

Moonee Valley Racing Club
Gate 1, McPherson St

MOONEE PONDS, VIC

9.30am to 3.00pm
(doors open at 9.00am)

EARLY BIRD \$185

per person before 31 May 16

FULL FEE \$205

per person after 31 May 16

Registration essential, limited
places available



Sue Larkey

is a highly qualified special educator who has taught in mainstream and special schools. She is currently working toward a Doctorate of Education focussing on inclusive schooling. She has authored several books and resource materials. Sue is unashamedly passionate about her mission – to inspire parents and educators and teach them how to *Make it a Success*. Armed with the tools of understanding and confidence much can be achieved.

"To know someone with Autism Spectrum Disorder is not to know Autism Spectrum Disorder";

Sue Larkey



Tony Attwood

is well known for sharing his extensive knowledge of Asperger Syndrome. He has a private practice in Brisbane and is an adjunct Professor at Griffith University in Queensland. Tony has written many papers and two best selling books on Asperger Syndrome. He also spends a large amount of time travelling nationally and internationally to present workshops and papers. His presentations are informative and empowering.

"From my clinical experience I consider that children and adults with Asperger Syndrome have a different, not defective, way of thinking;"

Tony Attwood

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 **Sue Larkey**
LEARNING MEDIA

TALKING TEENS



Do you want to learn how to talk so they will listen?

Support them to cope in a chaotic world?

Help them to problem solve and resolve conflict?

Stay connected to them?

Come along to these 5 sessions and share strategies, stories and take some time out for you!

WHERE: Anglicare, 666 Mountain Highway, Bayswater

WHEN: Thursday 4th August to 1st September (5 weeks)
7.00 pm – 9.00pm

WHO: Dads, Mums and Carers

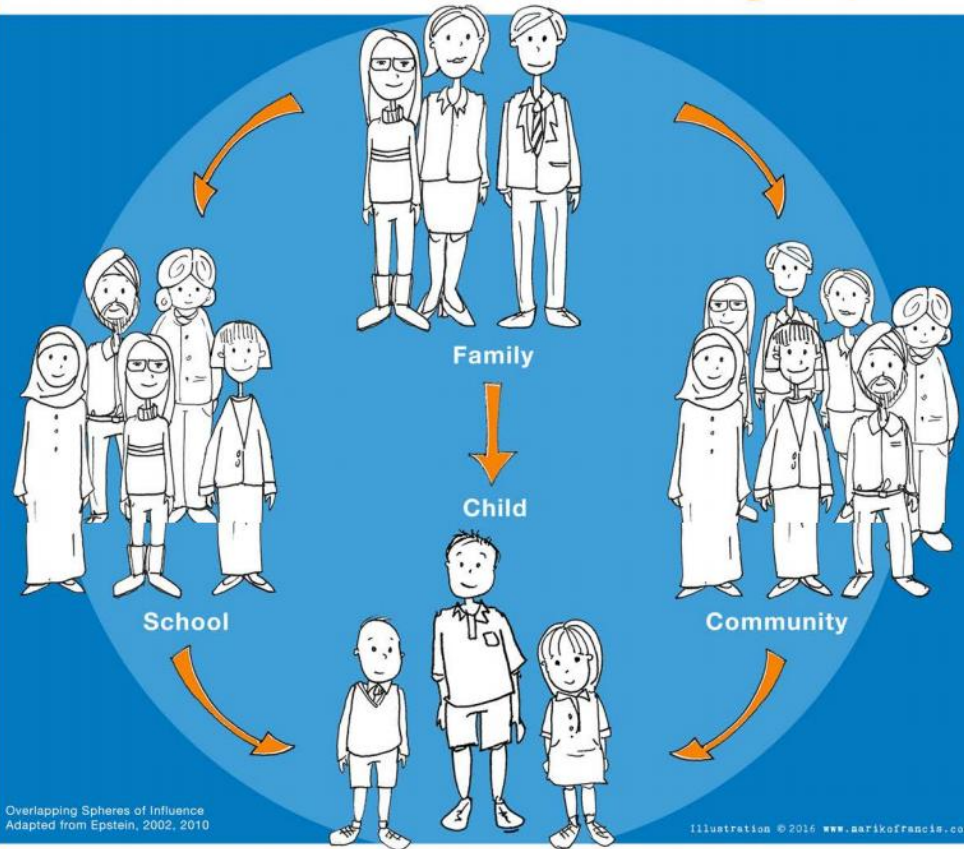
COST: Free (bookings essential)

CONTACT: Helena 9735 6134 or 0488 501 204



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If education is a 'shared' activity between families and schools,
what is it called when the sharing stops?



The Australian government's "school-based management" framework gives Australian schools the autonomy to plan and manage their educational priorities to meet the needs, interests, aptitudes, and aspirations of all students.

Why then, are parents looking outside of school for educational support for their children?

Be part of the discourse: Help us understand your attitudes and perceptions towards your child's education and learning environments. Your input as a parent or carer is valuable!

To take part in this Australia-wide survey, please visit:

www.MeasuredOpinions.com or scan the following QR code:

Download incentives and opt-in prize draws are being offered for participation.



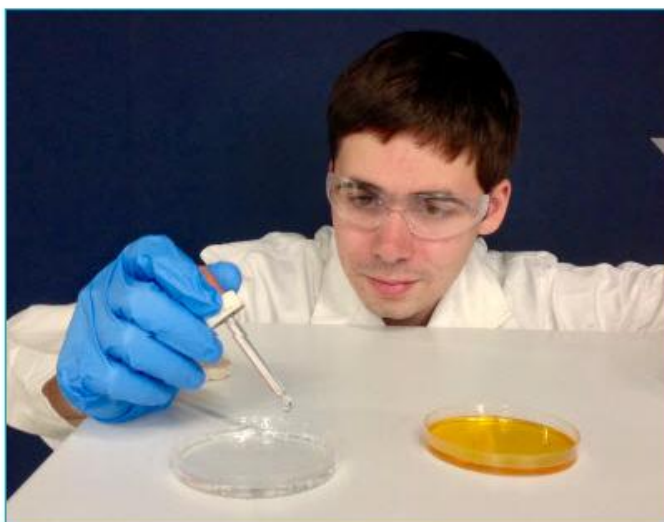
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Hi there!

We're now taking bookings for our science bootcamps in June and July!

Spend two days exploring chemistry with CSIRO. See CSIRO labs and testing facilities, meet and chat with research scientists, design and perform chemistry experiments and make your own magnetic putty!



Science bootcamp (must be in Years 8-12 in 2016)

Dates: Wednesday 29th June - Thursday 30th June 2016 (Melbourne) OR Tuesday 12th July - Wednesday 13 July 2016 (Sydney)

Time: 10:00am - 4:00pm

Venue: CSIRO Clayton (Melbourne) OR CSIRO North Ryde (Sydney)

Cost: \$250 for 2 day course

A unique chance to go behind the scenes of Australia's premier research agency, CSIRO. In this program, you will:

- Visit CSIRO research laboratories - see the latest research in action.
- Participate in discrete lab experiences - investigate the properties of a range of chemicals.
- Attend researcher presentations - meet the scientists behind the news headlines.
- Challenge yourself with open-ended investigations - design and perform your own magnetic experiment to remove oil slicks from marine environments and receive further instructions to continue your investigations.

Places are limited.

[Book now](#)

For more information, go to the [CSIRO website](#), phone 1300 136 376 (cost of a local call) or email education@csiro.au

We look forward to seeing you in June or July!

For full details and to book go to CSIRO

<http://www.csiro.au/en/Education/Community-engagement/Bootcamp>

3D Print a **MINECRAFT**

PlanetX

Holiday Program

When: 29 June~2 July, 4 July~ 9 July
9 am ~3 pm

Venue: Level 1, 15-33 Alfred St., Blackburn

Price: \$70/day

Enrol: www.cnaptic.com.au/events

Contact: David Ng
0403 277 934, david.ng@cnaptic.com.au

- Fun, creativity & imagination
- Promote problem solving skills & teamwork
- Small class (1 printer to each space explorer)

YOUR MISSION, INTERGALACTIC MINEGRAFTERS,
SHOULD YOU ACCEPT IT IS TO EXPLORE A NEWLY
DISCOVERED PLANET, CALLED PLANET X. YOU WILL
WORK TOGETHER AND BUILD A SUSTAINABLE
HABITAT ON THE PLANET.

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SOME INTERESTING BLOGS



Sprite's Site Birthday June 2016

New Zealand Gifted Awareness Week Blog Tour

<http://nzcge.co.nz/blogtour?src=nav>

GTChat Blog

<https://globalgtchatpoweredbytagt.wordpress.com/2016/05/09/inspiring-gifted-kids-through-emerging-technologies/>

<https://globalgtchatpoweredbytagt.wordpress.com/2016/05/17/perfectionism-with-guest-lisa-van-gemert/>

<https://globalgtchatpoweredbytagt.wordpress.com/2016/05/24/stigma-of-giftedness/>

<https://globalgtchatpoweredbytagt.wordpress.com/2016/05/27/the-strong-willed-gifted-child/>

Hoagies Gifted Blog Hops

http://www.hoagiesgifted.org/blog_hops.htm

June Blog Hop: Mysteries of the gifted brain

www.HoagiesGifted.org/blog_hop_mysteries_of_the_brain.htm

Sprite's Site post for this blog hop

<https://spritessite.wordpress.com/2016/06/02/a-party-for-the-tree-octopus/>

GHF Bloggers Blog Hops

<http://giftedhomeschoolers.org/blogs/blog-hop/>

May Blog Hop: Preparing for Their Future: Parenting Gifted Teens and Tweens

<http://giftedhomeschoolers.org/blog-hops/preparing-future-parenting-gifted-teens-tweens/>

Sprite's Site posts for this blog hop

<https://spritessite.wordpress.com/2016/05/21/purple-sneakers-and-planning-for-the-future/>

<https://spritessite.wordpress.com/2016/05/23/purple-sneakers-and-planning-for-the-future-2/>

SOME INTERESTING WEBSITES AND BLOG POSTS

The Age article

<http://www.theage.com.au/victoria/the-children-our-schools-cant-teach-20160523-gp1nxg.html>

Education Regulations review - Victoria

<http://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/department/legislation/Pages/act2006regsreview.aspx>

<http://home-ed.vic.edu.au/education-regulations-review-vic/>

Tim Dracup

<https://timdracup.wordpress.com/2016/05/25/exposing-the-implications-of-educational-excellence-everywhere/>

Gifted Talented Visual Spatial Space blog

<http://gtvslspace.net/>

Chocky's Child blog

<https://chockyschild.wordpress.com/>

Australian Government Productivity Commission

Intellectual Property Arrangements

<http://www.pc.gov.au/inquiries/current/intellectual-property/make-submission#lodge>

Peter Flom ODD

<http://www.iamlearningdisabled.com/defiance-and-opposition/>

Parent Voices Facebook community

<https://www.facebook.com/ParentVoicesAustralia/?fref=nf>

CSIRO Boot Camp July 2016

<http://www.csiro.au/en/Education/Community-engagement/Bootcamp>

World Gifted Conference Sydney 2017

<http://www.worldgifted2017.com/>

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GIFTED RESOURCES NEWSLETTER
Extension and Holiday Programs Winter 2016

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100 STORY BUILDING

<http://www.100storybuilding.org.au/>

<http://www.100storybuilding.org.au/100-story-holidays/>

AUSTRALIAN CAMPS ASSOCIATION

School Holiday Camps Programs

<http://www.auscamps.asn.au/>

<http://www.auscamps.asn.au/activities/holiday-activity>

ACMI AUSTRALIAN CENTRE FOR THE MOVING IMAGE Creative workshops

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

AUSTRALIAN INSTITUTE OF SPORT HOLIDAY CAMPS

<https://experienceais.com/sports-camps/holiday-programme>

AUSTRALIAN MUSEUM SYDNEY

<http://www.australianmuseum.net.au/>

BUBBLE DOME EDUCATION

<http://bubbledome.com/index.php>

CHESS KIDS CHESS CLUB HOLIDAY PROGRAMS

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

<http://www.kidsunlimited.com.au/holiday-program.html>

CHIP HOLIDAY PROGRAM

<http://chipprograms.com/holiday-program>

Space out with CHIP Winter Holiday Program

http://chipprograms.com/CHIP_Winter_Holiday_Program.pdf

CNAPTIC 3D PRINTING

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

<http://www.cnaptic.com.au/#!events/c1vw1>

CSIRO SCIENCE BOOTCAMP

<http://www.csiro.au/en/Education/Community-engagement/Bootcamp>

DEE WHITE WRITING WORKSHOP FOR KIDS

<http://writingclassesforkids.com/>

EXTEND SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMS

For full details see

Holiday programs

<http://extend.com.au/programs/school-holiday-programs/>

GASWORKS ARTS PARK

<http://www.gasworks.org.au/whats-on/kids-holiday-program/>

Winter program

<http://www.gasworks.org.au/assets/uploads/2016/05/Kids-Holiday-Brochure-Winter-2016.pdf>

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/>

KIDS UNLIMITED

<http://www.kidsunlimited.com.au/holiday-program.html>

LEARNING ENRICHMENT STUDIO

Robotics Holiday Program

Noeleen Vincent

Learning Enrichment Studio

Suite 214

19 Milton Parade

Malvern Vic 3144

Ph: (03) 9824 8135

Mob: 0448 064 738

www.learningenrichmentstudio.com.au

<http://www.learningenrichmentstudio.com.au/holiday-programmes>

MELBOURNE AQUARIUM

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

MELBOURNE MUSEUM

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

MELBOURNE PLANETARIUM

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

MUSEUM OF APPLIED ARTS AND SCIENCES

<https://maas.museum/whats-on/#/>

NATIONAL GALLERY OF VICTORIA

<http://www.ngv.vic.gov.au/whats-on/programs-events/>

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF DRAMATIC ART (NIDA)

<http://www.open.nida.edu.au/>

<http://www.open.nida.edu.au/courses/Delivery/School+Holidays>

OAK HILL GALLERY**Holiday Art Classes for children**

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

<http://oakhillgallery.com.au/category/classes/children-school-holidays/>

PARKS VICTORIA

<http://parkweb.vic.gov.au/explore>

POWERHOUSE MUSEUM SYDNEY**School Holiday Program**

<http://play.powerhousemuseum.com/whats-on/school-holiday-program/>

PRIMESCI HOLIDAY PROGRAMS

The PrimeSCI! Spring School Holiday Program will be hosted by:

KIOSC (Knox Innovation Opportunity and Sustainability Centre)

Building WK

Swinburne University of Technology (Wantirna Campus)

369 Stud Road

Wantirna South VIC 3152

(Campus Map: <http://www.swinburne.edu.au/campuses/wantirna/documents/wantirna.pdf>)

For more information and to enrol online

<http://sciencecentre.monash.edu.au/shp/>

<http://www.monash.edu/science/schools/earth-atmosphere-environment/primesci/school-holiday-programs>

RSPCA Holiday Program

<http://www.rspcavic.org/services/education-and-learning/holiday-programs>

SCIENCEWORKS MUSEUM

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

SWINBURNE CENTRE FOR ASTROPHYSICS AND SUPERCOMPUTING

Astro tour program

<http://astronomy.swin.edu.au/outreach/?topic=astrotour>

TECHKIDS

<http://techkids.com.au/school-holiday-programs/>

THE ART FACTORY School Holiday Programs

<http://theartfactory.com.au/holiday-workshops>

THINK CLUB

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

WRITE AWAY WITH ME

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

ZOO & SANCTUARY Programs

Zoo Adventures Holiday programs

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

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

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