

Digital Learning News



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Hi everyone

Hope you have had a great start to the year. Heaps of news, PD and student opportunities for you in this newsletter.

New Pedagogies for Deep Learning is an exciting global project that will connect ten clusters of 100 schools from around the world. Australia will be represented by a cluster comprising 80 Victorian and 20 Tasmanian schools. The initiative aims to articulate and demonstrate how the potential for learning can be realised through new pedagogies in a technology-rich society and will be led by Michael Fullan.

It's not often that schools get an opportunity to participate in an initiative which is international, and involves such great thinkers around education. If you want to be involved put in an [Expression of Interest](#) by 3 March 2014.

This week's blog post:

iPad Orchestra at Boneo Primary School

Students at Boneo Primary School have written about their iPad Orchestra, including information about the apps they use. A great video showcases the how the Orchestra come about and what they students like about using musical apps.

Sally Walsh also invites classes to collaborate with Boneo for online music classes. All you will need is a data projector or IWB and a computer. Lessons are at different times of the week, covering all primary grades and lots of different activities. No experience in either music or technology necessary! Contact Sally Walsh: walsh.sally.j@edumail.vic.gov.au

Professional Learning and Student Opportunities

Virtual Conferencing Sessions

Check out our new [page](#) dedicated to Virtual conferencing sessions.

ACMI Screen It

- A range of 30 minute classes that will explore theme, filmmaking, animation and game making
- First session: *Theme* – Friday 28 February 10am.

SunSmart - Real Stories of Skin Cancer and Young People

- March 06, 3:30-4:30 Presented by Jane Hill SunSmart Youth and Advocacy Coordinator at The Cancer Council Victoria
- Year 9&10 staff and students can hear from two young melanoma survivors who will share their story about how skin cancer can be a

young person's disease.

The use of iPads in early learning setting

- March 11, 4:30-5:30 Presented by Nicola Yelland, Research Professor at Victoria University in Melbourne looks at the ways in which young children use new technologies.
- To Register email Renee Hoareau, Connect with Maths at: connectwithmaths@aamt.edu.au

Six principles of effective mathematics teaching

- March 12, 4:30-5:30, Presented by Peter Sullivan Professor of Science, Mathematics and Technology Education, Monash University. Peter has extensive experience in research and teaching in teacher education. He was the lead writer of the Australian Curriculum: Mathematics
- To Register email Renee Hoareau, Connect with Maths at: connectwithmaths@aamt.edu.au

Student Brainstorming Using Online Tools

- March 06, 4:30-6:30 Presented by Daniel Cohen Teacher Learning Network (TLN)

Digital Teaching and Learning Victoria



DLTV Professional Learning Events

- Flipping Your Classroom: [Strathcona Baptist Girls Grammar School](#). Various dates – see website for more details
 - VCE IT, VCE VET ICT & VCE VET IDM Forum: Friday 28th February – RMIT
 - South Eastern Primary School Study Tour: will visit three schools that are demonstrating excellence and innovation in teaching and learning Monday 3 March
 - 2014 Conference: 25-26 July Swinburne University
- On 1 Jan 2014 ICTEV and VITTA became DLTVic* [More information](#)



Manor Lakes P-12 Conference [Under ONE Umbrella](#)

- 14-15 March
- Exploring inclusion, equity and diversity in Australian primary and secondary schools
- More information <http://underoneumbrella.com.au/>

Student opportunity



ACMI Hothouse program for students, focusing on animation

- Hothouse 2014 will hand pick 10 talented Victorian students in Years 10, 11 and 12 for an intensive animation workshop in the July school holidays.
- So if you know a student with a flair for animation who is ready for the experience of a lifetime, please encourage them to apply! Head to www.acmi.net.au/hothouse to download the Application Kit and find out more.

Check out our [Professional Learning page](#) – it has heaps of information, links to providers and details about [virtual conference sessions](#).

Resources



Asia Education Foundation: Geography

- Explore this collection of new geography learning sequences that support the Asia priority in the Australian Curriculum. Students will learn about the ways in which Australia and Asia are interconnected, both environmentally and socially, and more.
- Learning sequences are available for F-10

DEECD Mail:

S051-2014 New eduSTAR software available to schools The eduSTAR software image provides teachers and students with access to over 80 educational software titles for Windows and Apple devices. An improved eduSTAR software image is now available to schools.

Have a great week
Cheers
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