



Digital Learning News

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Hi everyone

Yesterday I went to a session on [21st Century Fluencies](#). They have a great online [unit planner](#) (free but sign up required) with sample plans and the ability to comment and share your planning with others. I met a few people from schools who are working with Lee Crockett to embed 21st Century Fluencies into their teaching and learning. I hope to follow up with them and put together some information about how they are going.

“Today, it's essential that all of our students have a wide range of skills beyond those that were needed in the 20th century, a range that includes the skills needed to function within a rapidly changing society. These skills are not about technological prowess. The essential 21st Century Fluencies are not about hardware, they are about headware! Critical thinking, problem-solving, creativity, innovation, and so much more.”



Blog Posts

[Minecraft for Learning at Doveton College](#) Our Guest blogger, Gene Geoffrey, talks about their school blog where they have documented the whole process from their planning, technical requirements, reflection, curriculum, class management, student engagement and the kids teaching each other. Even if you are not interested in Minecraft it is a great read about how to use virtual worlds or other digital resources for learning.

Professional Learning

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

- [S276-2013 Bastow Twilight Sessions and Professional Practice Series Workshops](#) The Bastow Institute of Educational Leadership is partnering with leading academics, innovative thinkers and expert practitioners to provide a range of educational leadership development courses and events.
- George Siemens - Data Analytics, Bastow twilight session on 2nd September. More details to come.
- Geography Teachers Association webinars [International year of water cooperation](#) on 6th August and [Global perspectives in the primary classroom, building global citizens](#) on 7th August.
- [Online and Off-Limits Privacy Workshops](#) Helping young people manage their privacy, relationships and reputations, 15 August in Bendigo

Opportunities for Students

- Invitation: [Student Debating via Polycom Thursdays at 2.30](#)

Getting Twitter feeds into your blog or wiki

You can get the following twitter feeds into your blog and wiki:

- User timeline (@)
- Your favourites
- Lists
- Search (#tag)

The attached document shows you how.

Please pass this onto anyone you think may be interested and have a great week

Regards

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