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# Gífted Resources News



September is a good month!

Interesting things happen in September –like the start of Spring and World Art Drop Day on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and International Dot Day on the 15<sup>th</sup> and school holidays!

You will find the Spring Holiday Programs news attached to the end of this newsletter.

I have a question for you dear regular readers. Do you like receiving the newsletter as an attachment to an email each month? Or would you be just as happy to read the newsletter online each month on Gifted Resources website main page? Please could you let me know in a note to jo@giftedresources.org

# 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 <u>www.giftedresources.org</u> 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

CHIP Family Support Group Geelong Inc. Music workshop event TBA at Highton Primary School (Hall) 14 September 2014

CHIP Family Support Group Geelong Inc. CHIP Forum with Dr Gail Byrne at location TBA 7 October 2014

GIFTED SUPPORT NETWORK GIFTED NETWORKING EXPO 22 October 2014 WEBSITE

CHIP Family Support Group Geelong Inc. Possible LEGO event TBA at Highton Primary School (Hall) 26 October 2014

CHIP Family Support Group Geelong Inc. End of year "Christmas Cooking" workshop at location TBA with Jenn Anderson from Little Wren Cookery School 30 November 2014

11th INTERNATIONAL DABROWSKI CONGRESS Canmore, Alberta, Canada 24- 26 July 2014 WEBSITE

GIFTED SUPPORT NETWORK Term 3 Seminar with Penny Willoughby 31 July 2014 WEBSITE

GERRIC Parenting course 13-14 September 2014 WEBSITE

VAGTC Conference Melbourne Gifted Education Essentials: Tools for Putting Theory into Practice Practical ideas and effective teaching strategies for achieving student potential. 21- 22 May, 2015

OFF THE CHARTS! Columbus Group Symposium New Zealand 13 - 14 April, 2015

# **GIFTED 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

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 <a href="http://www.giftedsupport.org">http://www.giftedsupport.org</a>

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Gifted Networking Expo 2014 All welcome Southern Community Church of Christ, Cheltenham Wednesday 22 October 2014 6 - 9.30pm

Southern Community Church of Christ, Cnr Chesterville Rd & Pine St, Cheltenham 3192.

Gifted Support Network is excited to once again bring Melbourne's gifted community together at the third Gifted Networking Expo 2014.

Our Expo will be formally opened by Guest of Honour, **Mr David Southwick MP**. Mr Southwick was the chair of the Victorian Government's Inquiry into the Education of Gifted and Talented Students which presented its findings earlier this year.

The Expo will be jam-packed with local organisations and individuals who provide important services for gifted children. Parents and teachers of gifted children will have a unique opportunity to meet and mingle with these valued resources in the gifted community.

Some of these include:

- VAGTC
- Born to Soar
- CHIP/Exceptional Children
- Gifted Resources
- GSN Tech Table
- Hawker Brownlow
- Kids Like Us
- Ma Belle Voix
- MENSA
  The Philosophy Club
- SEAL
- Thinking Outside the Box
- WiseOnes
- Home Education Network
- Bradfield Dumpleton Cartooning
- Prime SCI! (Formerly Monash Science Centre)
- G.A.T.E.WAYS

There will also be a number of short presentations from professionals in the field. Speakers include:

- Carolyn Giles, Director Born to Soar
- Ann Jackson, Education Consultant Kids Like Us
- Susan Wight, Co-ordinator Home Education Network

Refreshments provided. Children welcome. Free entry.

http://giftedsupport.org/news.php#event323

#### '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: Nicole Lawrence <u>nicole lawrence@mailcan.com</u> Mobile 0413 754 278 MARCONDAH GIETED CHIL DREN''S PARENTS' ASSOC

### 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 <u>heikemagnus@yahoo.com.au</u>

#### 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: <u>antrim@netspace.net.au</u> Web: <u>http://au.groups.yahoo.com/group/tallpoppysyndrome/</u>

#### **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

CHIP GEELONG http://www.chipgeelong.ingeelong.com.au/?page\_id=38 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 Contact Maura Donohue email mauradonohue@aapt.net.au







"Music Workshop" with Sue Hindle



# Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> September, 2.30 – 4.30pm Highton Primary School (School Hall)

Suited to primary age (5 – 12 years). On the day: comfy clothes, water bottle, a snack. Cost: \$20 per member; \$25 per non-member

Sue Hindle is well known in the Geelong community, having been involved with the Acabellas over the past 8 years, as an artist, singer, songwriter and music facilitator. This workshop will allow your child to explore music using a combination of techniques singing, movement, relaxation, music making activities and song writing.

Singing is a great way to build a child's confidence, while advancing their music skills. Music is a great tool for stress management, developing creativity and listening skills. All of these are important for CHIP who needs to learn to manage intense feelings and emotions.

To book please email <u>chipgeelong@gmail.com</u> by the 5<sup>th</sup> September 2014.

Please note: Children will not be permitted to stay/play unsupervised outside on school grounds during the workshop.

# GIFTED FAMILIES SUPPORT GROUP (NSW) <a href="http://gfsg.org.au/">http://gfsg.org.au/</a>

For coming events and activities see <u>http://gfsg.org.au/whats-on/4583307471</u>

NEWS FROM GERRIC https://education.arts.unsw.edu.au/about-us/gerric/

#### Advanced Parent Course Rescheduled!

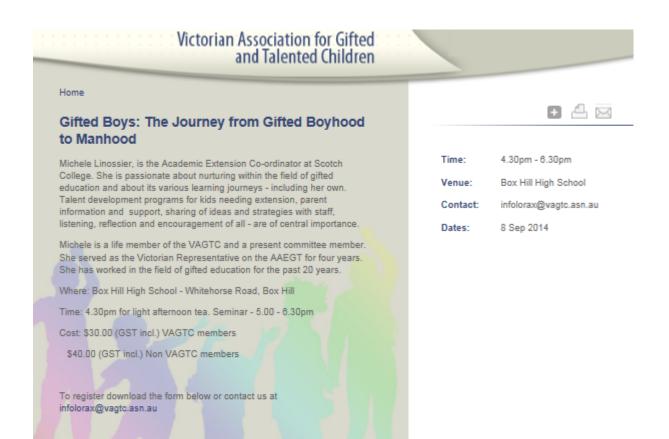
We are thrilled to announce new dates for the <u>Advanced Parent Course</u>, now rescheduled for October 25-26, 2014. Parents who have previously attended our parent course and wish to delve deeper will have the opportunity to focus more specifically on the topics that matter most to them and talk to experts from a variety of backgrounds. Registrations are already flooding in for our next <u>Parent Course</u>, to be held the weekend of September 13-14.





# VAGTC

### http://www.vagtc.asn.au/gifted-boys-journey-from-gifted-boyhoodmanhood



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#### **Yvonne Perret Scholarships 2015**

Two Yvonne Perret scholarships are being offered for 2015 - one for a student in an urban area and another for a student in a rural area.

Each scholarship is to the value of \$2000 and is to be used over a twelve month period to enhance the potential of a gifted child. Applicants must be able to demonstrate a talent, passion or skill in their chosen area of endeavour and have a potential for this activity (e.g. music, art, sport, educational achievements etc.).

The scholarship is not able to be used to pay for school fees or uniforms.

To apply please download the form below and send it to VAGTC - PO Box 132, Caulfield South 3162. Applications close 30th September 2014.

See http://www.vagtc.asn.au/yvonne-perret-scholarships-2015



# G.A.T.E.WAYS

### **'CATERING FOR THE MATHEMATICALLY GIFTED MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENT'**

In tandem with the release their latest publication, G.A.T.E.WAYS is offering a professional development session for teachers. The session will run after school from 4.30 – 6pm and will be offered on Monday September 8<sup>th</sup> at the Student Centenary Centre, Firbank Girls' Grammar School, Outer Crescent, Brighton

The cost of the session is \$60.00 and will include a copy of the book The Peculiar Puzzles of Professor Fibbernacho (RRP \$49.50)

Teachers can ring G.A.T.E.WAYS ON 9894 2116 or email denise@gateways.edu.au to register a place

There are students in our classrooms who have unusually strong reasoning ability in mathematics; they quickly master new concepts and skills that exceed those of their classmates as well as year-level expectations. Providing for mathematically talented students is complex and influenced by many factors. These factors fall into three main categories:

- The different levels of mathematical giftedness
- Teacher involvement the mathematical background of the classroom teacher
- The availability of appropriate resources that challenge students and provide opportunities for them to learn substantial mathematics.

The first part of this workshop will address the general issues and research-based options.

The second part of the session will introduce an example of a suitable mathematically rich resource, **The Peculiar Puzzles of Professor Fibbernacho',** that can be used to extend students.

For those who cannot attend the PD, but who would like to purchase a copy of the book, an order form is available on the website:

http://www.gateways.edu.au/publications/the-peculiar-puzzles-professor-fibbernacho

### YEAR 5 AND 6 LEADERSHIP PROGRAM – SEPTEMBER 25 AND 26

Online parent enrolments for this program are now open

#### http://www.gateways.edu.au/programs/leadership

The program will run on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> and Friday 26<sup>th</sup> September at City Cite, Level 12, 474 Flinders Street, Melbourne. These dates are in the school holidays. It is open to highly able students with leadership potential. Students can attend on one or both days, and they do not need to have attended Series 1 and 2 earlier in the year.

The format of the days is as follows:

**Day 1 – am** seminar **pm** students choose one of 3 workshops **pm** Q and A panel discussion with expert panel

Day 2 – students rotate through 3 skills-based workshops

A detailed brochure is available on the G.A.T.E.WAYS website, as well as enrolment instructions.

The feedback from previous days has been very positive. Here are just a few comments about the panel session:

- It was very inspiring
- The people who came were extraordinary people
- Leading is hard but rewarding
- It was interesting the way they talked about responsibility and leadership from personal experiences
- I learnt that you should follow your heart. Never give up on a dream
- I learnt that anyone can make a difference if they really try
- I learnt that your career can be based on anything that you are passionate about
- I really enjoyed it and learnt heaps

## **SPRITE'S SITE**

In August I continued posting in a series of blog posts about gifted children and ethical and moral issues and wrote posts for Hoagies Gifted Blog Hops.

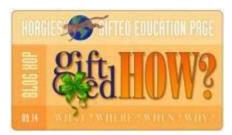
http://spritessite.wordpress.com/2014/08/16/donkeys-live-a-long-time-5-intermission/

http://spritessite.wordpress.com/2014/08/27/donkeys-live-a-long-time-6/

http://spritessite.wordpress.com/2014/09/01/gifted-how/

GIFTED RESOURCES BLOG RSCON 5 post http://giftedresources.wordpress.com/2014/08/07/rscon-5-july-2014/

# SOME INTERESTING BLOGS



Hoagies Blog Hops http://www.hoagiesgifted.org/blog\_hops.htm

Hoagies' Blog Hop September 2014: Gifted – How? http://www.hoagiesgifted.org/blog\_hop\_gifted\_friendships.htm

Sprite's Site post for this blog hop <u>http://spritessite.wordpress.com/2014/09/01/gifted-how/</u>

### **GTChat Blog**

Exploring existential depression http://globalgtchatpoweredbytagt.wordpress.com/2014/08/21/exploring-existentialdepression/

Building parent-teacher partnerships http://globalgtchatpoweredbytagt.wordpress.com/2014/08/14/building-parentteacher-partnerships/

Models in gifted education <u>http://globalgtchatpoweredbytagt.wordpress.com/2014/08/06/models-in-gifted-education/</u>

# SOME INTERESTING WEBSITES

Borderlands <u>http://www.borderlands.org.au/</u> <u>http://bl.borderlands.org.au/new-community-development-courses/</u>

Sorry Jay Mathews – Gifted Education matters http://www.psychologytoday.com/blog/finding-the-next-einstein/201406/sorry-jaymathews-gifted-education-matters

TAG Legal issues in identifying and serving twice-exceptional gifted learners <u>http://cectag.com/wp-content/uploads/2014/07/Weinfeldjj0625I-PDF-revised.pdf</u>

Ian Byrd Birdseed Gifted http://www.byrdseed.com/start-the-year-with-themes-generalizations/

http://www.byrdseed.com/problem-solving-the-tragedy-of-the-commons/

http://www.byrdseed.com/fuzzy-problems/

http://www.byrdseed.com/internet-field-trip-july-14/

http://www.byrdseed.com/introducing-depth-and-complexity/

SENG 100 words of wisdom from James T Webb PhD <u>http://www.sengifted.org/archives/articles/5941</u>

Smartypins http://smartypins.withgoogle.com/

ORBIS The Stanford Geospatial Network Model of the Roman World <a href="http://orbis.stanford.edu/">http://orbis.stanford.edu/</a>

GHF Gifted and homeschooling blogs from around the world <a href="http://giftedhomeschoolers.org/blogs/">http://giftedhomeschoolers.org/blogs/</a>

Mount Burnett Observatory http://www.mtburnettobservatory.org/

International History Bee & Bowl Global <u>http://www.ihbbglobal.com/</u>

Born to soar http://www.borntosoar.com.au/

Clean tech competition http://www.cleantechcompetition.org/ Alison Brown on Expert Beacon

https://expertbeacon.com/advice-parenting-and-supporting-gifted-and-highly-ablelearners/#.VAKmk8WSyul

Rhonda Filmer Twice exceptional <u>http://twice-exceptional.com.au/</u>

Dee White - Writing competition for kids <u>http://writingclassesforkids.com/new-writing-competition-for-kids-1-september-to-31-october-2014/</u>

Ma belle voix http://mabellevoix.com.au/

The Philosophy Club http://thephilosophyclub.wordpress.com/

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#### GIFTED RESOURCES NEWSLETTER Extension and Holiday Programs Spring 2014

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#### AUSTRALIAN CAMPS ASSOCIATION

School Holiday Camps Programs

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

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/holiday

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/holiday-programs.html

#### CHIP HOLIDAY PROGRAM

http://www.chip.edu.au/holiday-program/

http://www.chip.edu.au/storage/CHIP%20Spring14%20HP.pdf

#### 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/

**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/

#### 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/programs.php http://www.clubengineer.org/school-holidays

#### **MELBOURNE AQUARIUM**

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

#### **MELBOURNE MUSEUM**

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

#### MELBOURNE PLANETARIUM

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

#### NATIONAL GALLERY OF VICTORIA

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

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF DRAMATIC ART (NIDA) SHORT COURSES http://www.nida.edu.au/NidaCustomisation/CourseList.aspx?TYP=393

OAK HILL GALLERY Holiday Art Classes for children http://www.oakhillgallery.com.au/

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: <u>http://www.swinburne.edu.au/campuses/wantirna/documents/wantirna.pdf</u> ) For more information and to enrol online <u>http://sciencecentre.monash.edu.au/shp/</u>

#### **RSPCA Holiday Program**

http://www.rspcavic.org/services/education/school-holiday-program

#### SCIENCEWORKS MUSEUM

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

#### TECHKIDS

http://www.techkids.com.au/school-holiday-workshops/

#### **THE ART FACTORY School Holiday Programs**

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

#### ZOO & SANCTUARY Programs

Zoo Adventures Holiday programs http://www.zoo.org.au/ http://www.zoo.org.au/education/school-holidays-and-camps

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