



**GIFTED RESOURCES NEWSLETTER  
APRIL 2012 NO 1**

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## *Gifted Resources News*

April has arrived. The first school term is over and Easter is very nearly here!

The school holiday programs newsletter was attached to the end of the March newsletter and can still be read by following the link on Gifted Resources home page

[http://www.giftedresources.org/gr/files/newsletter2010/grnews\\_holidayapril12.pdf](http://www.giftedresources.org/gr/files/newsletter2010/grnews_holidayapril12.pdf)

or in the Newsletter archives section which has now been updated.

The Psychologists and Education consultants page has also been updated.

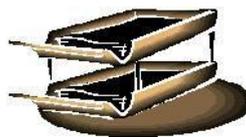
I am in the process of updating my contacts files and the Gifted Resources Info Pack. Please can you contact me if your details have changed or if you would like your information to be included.

Sprite's Site blog has recently followed the family life of Twitter birds Tweet and Retweet and their gifted offspring, played an April Fool's Day prank, participated in Gifted Awareness week Namibia, featured a book review of Derrin Cramer's new book about advocacy, Gifted and Thriving at School and is nominated for the Sydney Writers' Centre Best Australian blogs 2012 competition. Peoples Choice voting opens on Friday 13 April.

Wishing you all a very Happy Easter!



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

ACT GIFTED SUPPORT GROUP Guest Speaker Rhonda Filmer Evening Talk 12 April 2012 [FLYER](#)

ACT GIFTED SUPPORT GROUP Guest Speaker Rhonda Filmer Coffee & Chat 13 April 2012 [FLYER](#)

AUSTRALIAN GIFTED SUPPORT CENTRE CAMP PERTH 13-15 April 2012 [WEBSITE](#)

STARJUMP WEBINAR What's Attention got to do with it? 19 April 2012 [PDF FLYER](#)

GLOBAL CENTER FOR GIFTED AND TALENTED CHILDREN Global Virtual Meeting for Gifted Education in SECOND LIFE [WEBSITE](#) Cindy Sheets (USA) 21 April 2012

VAGTC Differentiating the Classroom Learning Environment for High Ability Students 23 April 2012 [WEBSITE](#)

AUSTRALIAN GIFTED SUPPORT CENTRE CAMP CANBERRA ACT 18-20 May 2012 [WEBSITE](#)

INCLUSIVE LEARNING TECHNOLOGIES CONFERENCE 2012 22-25 May 2012 [WEBSITE](#)

GLOBAL CENTER FOR GIFTED AND TALENTED CHILDREN Global Virtual Meeting for Gifted Education in SECOND LIFE [WEBSITE](#) Prof Francoys Gagne (Canada) 26 May 2012

DA VINCI DECATHLON June 2012 [PDF FLYER](#)

GLOBAL CENTER FOR GIFTED AND TALENTED CHILDREN Global Virtual Meeting for Gifted Education in SECOND LIFE [WEBSITE](#) Dr Mary Bruck (USA) 23 June 2012

AAEGT NATIONAL CONFERENCE Excellence and Equity for All Adelaide 12-15 July 2012 [WEBSITE](#)

The 12th Asia-Pacific Conference on Giftedness 2012 Nurturing Talent, Growing Potential Dubai 14-18 July 2012 [WEBSITE](#)

GLOBAL CENTER FOR GIFTED AND TALENTED CHILDREN Global Virtual Meeting for Gifted Education in SECOND LIFE [WEBSITE](#) Roya Klingner (Germany) 28 July 2012

AUSTRALIAN GIFTED SUPPORT CENTRE CAMP MORISETT NSW 10-12 August 2012 [WEBSITE](#)

GLOBAL CENTER FOR GIFTED AND TALENTED CHILDREN Global Virtual Meeting for Gifted Education in SECOND LIFE [WEBSITE](#) Dr Monica Leavitt (USA) 25 August 2012

THE 13th INTERNATIONAL ECHA CONFERENCE on Giftedness across the Lifespan Munster Germany 12-15 September 2012 [WEBSITE](#)

GLOBAL CENTER FOR GIFTED AND TALENTED CHILDREN Global Virtual Meeting for Gifted Education in SECOND LIFE [WEBSITE](#) Dr Barry Meatyard (UK) 29 September 2012

AUSTRALIAN GIFTED SUPPORT CENTRE CAMP GEMBROOK, VIC 19-21 October 2012  
[WEBSITE](#)

GLOBAL CENTER FOR GIFTED AND TALENTED CHILDREN Global Virtual Meeting for Gifted Education in SECOND LIFE [WEBSITE](#) Karen Bendelman (USA) 27 October 2012

20th WORLD CONFERENCE ON GIFTED AND TALENTED CHILDREN The Soul of Giftedness Auckland, New Zealand 5 - 9 August 2013 [WEBSITE](#)

## 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](http://www.giftedsupport.org)

or phone Carolyn (9576 5137)

P.O. Box 2808 Cheltenham, 3192

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>**

## Term Two Seminar

### For Parents

Southern Community Church of Christ, Cheltenham

Tuesday 29 May 2012

7.45-9.30pm

Dr Claire Spicer on "Self-efficacy: how to help gifted students improve their motivation and self-belief".

Self-efficacy beliefs (academic self-beliefs) are an important factor in education, as they define the ways in which students attempt tasks and hence, learn. Claire will go through what self-efficacy means and how, as parents and teachers, we can work on children's self-belief to improve their motivation (eg how long they persist at difficult tasks).

Claire has an extensive range of qualifications including a Bachelor's degree in Psychology, a post-graduate degree in Secondary Education, and a Masters in Education, specialising in Educational Psychology.

Venue: Southern Community Church of Christ, Corner Chesterville Rd & Pine St, Cheltenham (Mel ref 86 J1).

**RSVP:** Please phone Louise on 0414 578 806 or email [admin@giftedsupport.org](mailto:admin@giftedsupport.org) by Friday 25th May.

### **'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:

Sally-Ann Free

sallyann.free@live.vu.edu.au

Mobile 0425 779 829

Tina McCarthy

[tina@tinamccarthydesign.com](mailto:tina@tinamccarthydesign.com)

### **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

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Louise Howe Phone 9801 2912

[louise\\_h@tpg.com.au](mailto: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](mailto:heikemagnus@yahoo.com.au)

### **CHIP GEELONG**

CHIP Family Support Group Geelong

Contact

Maura Donohue email [mauradonohue@aapt.net.au](mailto:mauradonohue@aapt.net.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](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

Contact

Victoria Poulos

Phone 0420 286 307

Email [victoriapoulos@gmail.com](mailto:victoriapoulos@gmail.com)

## BADGER – BAIRNSDALE AND DISTRICT GIFTED EDUCATION REFORM

Contact

Email [badger.org@aapt.net.au](mailto:badger.org@aapt.net.au).

Phone 0423 708 061

## 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*

*Secretary, Cathy Baillie (02) 6021 5913*

*Phone: 02 60215913*

*Assistant Secretary, Jeannie Bowen (02) 6021 2073*

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

**Victorian Association for Gifted and Talented Children**

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### Differentiating The Classroom Learning Environment for High Ability Students

This presentation examines reasons for differentiating and ways to differentiate the curriculum for Gifted learners. Members of the VAGTC will present, led by Paul Double (Head of Learning Support Camberwell Grammar School). A guest panel with members from Government , Catholic and Independent Schools will conclude the evening. Questions and discussion points are encouraged after the initial presentation.

The presentation will provide a rationale for differentiation in the classroom and a toolkit of ideas for primary and secondary students.

VAGTC Members: \$50 Including GST  
Non VAGTC Members: \$60 Including GST

**Time:** 4.30pm - 6.00pm  
**Venue:** Camberwell Grammar School  
**Contact:** [infororax@vagtc.asn.au](mailto:infororax@vagtc.asn.au)  
**Dates:** 23 Apr 2012



**Abilities, Achievement & the Autism Spectrum**

achievements **Asperger's**  
autism capacity creativity  
education **gifted** high abilities  
intelligence interest  
learning **strengths** successes  
**talent** twice-exceptional

**Seeking participants...**  
Adults on the autism spectrum (with a diagnosis) & people with knowledge of individuals on the autism spectrum (any age with a diagnosis) who can help us learn about high abilities and achievements.

  
Adults with ASD Parents Teachers Psychologists Mentors Coaches

**To find out more...**  
Follow link to the online questionnaire & full study details:  
<http://tinyurl.com/monasheducation>  
Or contact the researcher:  
[Susan.Wade@monash.edu](mailto:Susan.Wade@monash.edu)

This research has obtained ethics clearance from the Monash University Ethics Committee CF11/3664 - 2011001929

My name is Susan Wade and I am conducting research towards a PhD on "Abilities, Achievements and the Autism Spectrum" with Dr. Leonie Kronborg, in the Faculty of Education at Monash University.

I am conducting this research to find out about the abilities and achievements of individuals on the autism spectrum and to find ways that strengths and abilities of these individuals can be developed. This study invites the participation of adults on the autism spectrum (with a diagnosis) and people with knowledge of an individual on the autism spectrum (any age with a diagnosis) that can help the researcher learn about high abilities and achievements. Participants are sought from the following 5 groups:

\*Adults with an ASD \* Parents \*Teachers \*Psychologists \*Mentors & Coaches

The study involves an online questionnaire (approximately 15 minutes) and an option to take part in interviews conducted by e-mail.

Full details of the study can be found in the explanatory statement by following the link to the online questionnaire <http://tinyurl.com/monasheducation>

I have attached a participant recruitment poster for circulation or display. Please feel free to pass on details of this study to anyone you know who may be willing to participate.

Kind regards,  
Susan Wade

*(This study has approval from the Monash University Human Research Ethics Committee – Project Number: CF11/3664 - 2011001929)*

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Susan Wade  
PhD Candidate  
Monash University

Book review: Gifted and Thriving at School  
from Sprite's Site <http://www.giftedresources.org/jo/blog/?p=3034>

Last week I received a copy of a new book by Derrin Cramer of Thinking Ahead  
<http://www.thinkingahead.com.au/main/about.htm>

[Gifted and Thriving at School:](#)  
[How proactive parents can get the education that fits their child](#)

#### As the website says

*This book is packed with tips and strategies which will build your knowledge and confidence so you can effectively advocate for your child. It will lead you through the process of gathering and organising the information you need, building positive relationships with your child's school, preparing for and attending meetings plus ways to communicate effectively, leaving you feeling confident that you can guide the process of seeking the education that fits your child's needs.*

I loved this book from the opening line "I have walked in your shoes".  
It is obvious that Derrin has indeed experienced the joys and challenges of parenting her gifted children and advocating for their needs of to be met.

You can read Derrin's own story and the story of Thinking Ahead at  
[http://www.thinkingahead.com.au/Downloads/Outside\\_the\\_box\\_TA\\_Journey0511.pdf](http://www.thinkingahead.com.au/Downloads/Outside_the_box_TA_Journey0511.pdf)

I appreciated her comments

"Before you go on any further, I have to tell you something. Advocating for your gifted child is an ongoing process. It is not a one-shot fix"

And

"The best advice I can give is **to make the best decision you can at the time with the knowledge you have.**"

I also enjoyed the wise comments and advice from parents which appear throughout the book.

Sprite, reading over my shoulder (reminding me of a time when my 5 year old son was reading over my shoulder as I read an academic journal article about whether or not you should tell a child they are gifted!), loved the fact that all the chapter titles begin with her favourite letter - P.

- Proactive parents
- Power of information
- Paperwork
- Positive partnerships
- Prepare
- Plan
- Prioritise
- Persuade
- Present
- Persist
- Parent wisdom
- Pursue further opportunities

The Appendix contains a helpful example of an Individual Education Plan form and there is also a section about Questions to Ask Schools.

The book gives a practical and encouraging step by step approach to advocating for the child's education needs.

It can be purchased from  
[http://www.thinkingahead.com.au/Resources/purchase\\_resources.htm](http://www.thinkingahead.com.au/Resources/purchase_resources.htm)



## Australian Gifted Support Centre



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[enquiries@australiangiftedsupport.com](mailto:enquiries@australiangiftedsupport.com)

### Weekend Camps for Gifted Children aged 7-14

We are now taking enrolments for our 2012 Weekend Camps for gifted and talented children in several states of Australia. For the past 20 years I have been running these camps. We currently offer them in NSW, ACT, WA and Victoria.

The strength of the camps has always been the children themselves. Giving gifted children the opportunity to spend time with like minded peers engaged in interesting or challenging activities and social experiences is vital for their wellbeing.

"If gifted and talented students are to achieve their potential, they require expanded educational opportunities beyond the scope of the regular school program. The students need to explore different career options, crafts, ideas and skills that challenge their abilities. Our children need personal attention, adult commitment, role models they can admire and talk to." (Hegeman, 1987, p123) The camp aims to address some of these needs within a fun supportive environment.

[LEARN MORE about our Camp Program :](#)

#### PERTH, WA

**WHEN:** 7pm Friday 13th April 2012 to 3pm Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> April 2012

**WHERE:** Grass Roots Holiday Haven, Jarrahdale WA

**THEME:** Around the World in 80 days

**LEARN MORE:** <http://perthcamparoundtheworld.eventbrite.com.au>

#### CANBERRA, ACT

**WHEN:** 7pm Friday 18th May 2012 to 3pm Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> May 2012

**WHERE:** Shakespeare Centre, Camp Cottermouth, Cotter Road, Stromlo ACT

**THEME:** Fun with Harry Potter

**LEARN MORE:** Visit <http://actcampharryp2012.eventbrite.com.au>

#### MORISSETT, NSW

**WHEN:** 7pm Friday 10th August 2012 to 3pm Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> August 2012

**WHERE:** WEC Camp Centre Morisset NSW

**THEME:** Hogwarts comes to Morisset

**LEARN MORE:** <http://hogwartscamp2012.eventbrite.com.au>

#### GEMBROOK, VIC

**WHEN:** 7pm Friday 19th October 2012 to 3pm Sunday 21st October 2012

**WHERE:** Gilwell Park, Gembrook Victoria

**THEME:** Harry P and the Professors

**LEARN MORE:** <http://2012vicharrypotter.eventbrite.com.au>

**AGES:** 7 – 14 year olds children under 8 years must be accompanied by a parent or guardian .  
Parents of all children are very welcome.

**FEES:** Registration includes accommodation in shared bunk houses, all meals,  
all activities, workshops and materials. Most special dietary needs can be met

**FACILITATOR:** Helen Dudeney MEd (COGE) **ENQUIRIES:** [enquiries@australiangiftedsupport.com](mailto:enquiries@australiangiftedsupport.com)



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### Stepping Stones – Social Skills Course for Gifted Children

#### *BENEFITS OF PARTICIPATING IN A STEPPING STONES SOCIAL SKILLS COURSE*

*As a result of undertaking this course A CHILD will*

- Develop an understand of how emotions affect behavior
- Learn strategies for managing behavior
- Develop a broader emotional vocabulary
- Understand the link between behavior and consequences
- Learn the difference between reacting and responding
- Learn about the brain's role in behavior
- Learn more about themselves
- Meet others who struggle with emotions or friendships like they do
- Develop a range of skills to make and keep friends
- Have the opportunity to develop new friendships
- Practice group and social skills with other bright children
- Improve the social skills necessary for school success
- Increase their independence
- Interact with others more positively
- Learn that there are others like themselves
- Have fun

*As a result of your child doing this course PARENTS will*

- Learn a range of strategies to assist your child with their emotional experiences
- Gain a greater understanding of the heightened emotions of gifted people
- Have the opportunity to speak with other parents of children similar to yours
- Receive copies of a variety of visual supports that can assist families manage emotional overload and behaviours
- Learn more about themselves
- Have access to a specialist range of book resources for borrowing or purchasing
- Learn lots of very simple practical tips and strategies that can assist all members of the family
- Receive copies of and links to a variety of articles giving insight into the social and emotional traits of gifted people

[LEARN MORE about our Stepping Stones Social Skills Program :](#)

#### **MELBOURNE**

**WHEN:** Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> March & Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> April 2012  
**WHERE:** Clifton Hill Scout Hall  
**AGE:** 7 – 12 YEAR OLDS  
**LEARN MORE:** <http://ssmelboumeterm12012.eventbrite.com.au/>

#### **SYDNEY**

**WHEN:** Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> April & 12<sup>th</sup> May 2012  
**WHERE:** AGSC Seven Hills Offices  
**AGE:** Early Years 5 -6 YEAR OLDS  
**LEARN MORE:** <http://term2juniorsteppingstones2012.eventbrite.com/>

#### **CANBERRA**

**WHEN:** Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> May & Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> May 2012  
**WHERE:** Canberra to be confirmed  
**AGE:** 7 – 12 YEAR OLDS  
**LEARN MORE:** <http://steppingstonesactterm22012.eventbrite.com.au/>

#### **SYDNEY**

**WHEN:** Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> June & Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2012  
**WHERE:** AGSC Seven Hills Offices  
**AGE:** 7 – 12 YEAR OLDS  
**LEARN MORE:** <http://steppingstonesjune2012.eventbrite.com.au/>

**FACILITATOR:** Helen Dudeney **MEd (COGE)** **ENQUIRIES:** [enquiries@australiangiftedsupport.com](mailto:enquiries@australiangiftedsupport.com)  
[www.australiangiftedsupport.com](http://www.australiangiftedsupport.com)

## FROM BILL ZIMMERMAN

### **MakeBeliefsComix Expands Writing Prompt Printables to Help Literacy Students, adds characters with physical disabilities**

Dear reader

In its goal to provide more literacy resources for educators, MakeBeliefsComix.com has significantly expanded its offering of writing prompt printables, organizing them by subject categories to help students write and express themselves.

The free online comic strip generator now features more than 250 printables in 50 subject categories, ranging from Bullying and Peer Pressure, to Elections and Political, to Environment and Ecology, to Writing Prompts. These are found at: [http://www.makebeliefscomix.com/Printables\\_Categories/](http://www.makebeliefscomix.com/Printables_Categories/) In addition, MakeBeliefsComix has introduced new comic characters with physical disabilities to reflect the diversity of users, including those with special needs. Among the 128 characters that students can now select in creating their comic strips are a boy and girl in wheelchairs, a soldier who lost an arm in war and wears prosthesis, a blind person with a seeing-eye dog, and an older woman who uses a walker. Each character shows a variety of emotions – happy, sad, angry, thoughtful. Educational therapists increasingly use the online comic site for students with autism spectrum disorders to help them understand social concepts and to communicate. There is a Special Needs section to help educators and parents.

The 250 graphic writing prompts encourage writing and thinking in a quick and imaginative way and foster classroom discussion. A student's efforts to complete a printable can then become the first step in writing longer essays, poems or stories on the same subject. The printables also can be used with students enrolled in literacy and English-As-Second Language programs, and provide an educational resource for teaching language arts. They are taken from the many interactive books of the site's creator, Bill Zimmerman, who for many years edited the nationally syndicated Newsday Student Briefing Page, which was twice nominated for a Pulitzer Prize.

More than 200,000 educators and students from more than 180 countries visit

MakeBeliefsComix.com each month to build their own comic strips and practice language, writing and reading skills. The site was selected by Google as UNESCO as among the world's most innovative sites to encourage literacy and writing. And the American Library Association chose it as a Great Web Site for Kids.

We hope that you will share MakeBeliefsComix.com with your colleagues, students, friends or readers of your publications and favourite listserv groups. As always, we welcome your suggestions and ideas to improve our site.

Sincerely

Bill Zimmerman

[billz@makebeliefscomix.com](mailto:billz@makebeliefscomix.com)



For information see the Conference website

<http://www.sapmea.asn.au/conventions/gat2012/index.html>



## ATTENTION

ALL PARENTS & TEACHERS



### What's Attention got to do with it? Giftedness & Visual Spatial Thinking & Learning that is.

What exactly is attention? How does it affect learning? Does your child have a problem? What can you do about it?

If your child displays 6 or more of the traits below or if your child has been diagnosed with ADD or ADHD the Starjump Webinar will provide you with invaluable information about how to help your child.

Trouble writing sequenced stories.  
Fails to give close attention to details or makes careless mistakes in schoolwork.  
Has difficulty sustaining attention in tasks or play activities.  
Does not listen when spoken to directly.  
Does not follow through on instructions and fails to finish schoolwork  
Has difficulty organizing tasks and activities.  
Avoids or dislikes tasks that require sustained mental effort.  
Loses things necessary for tasks or activities.  
Easily distracted.  
Forgetful in daily activities.  
Fidgets with hands or feet or squirms in seat.  
Leaves seat when remaining seated is expected  
Runs about or climbs excessively in situations in which it is inappropriate.  
Has difficulty playing quietly.  
Is (on the go) or often acts as if (driven by a motor).  
Often talks excessively.  
Blurts out answers before questions have been completed.  
Has difficulty awaiting turn.  
Interrupts or intrudes on others (e.g. butts into conversations or games).

Presenter: Maxine Cowie – Director of Starjump  
Register online at: <http://www.instantpresenter.com/PIID=EA54D6878349>  
Listen to the presentation live or in segments at a later date.  
Date 19<sup>th</sup> April 2012  
Time: 7.30pm Melbourne Time

## FROM TIM DRACUP

### Gifted Phoenix Twitter Round-Up: Volume Five March 11, 2012



Here is the fifth in my series of approximately monthly round-ups of [@GiftedPhoenix](https://twitter.com/GiftedPhoenix) Twitter activity related to gifted education and associated subjects.

It covers the period from 22 February to 11 March inclusive.

<http://giftedphoenix.wordpress.com/2012/03/11/gifted-phoenix-twitter-round-up-volume-five/>

## SOME INTERESTING WEBSITES

GT CHAT IS BACK

<http://www.txgifted.org/announcements/gtchat-back>

Gifted Awareness week Namibia

The Global Center for Gifted and Talented Children

<http://www.gcgtc.com/services/projects/project-talent-development-for-kids-in-namibia/>

Lisa Conrad

<http://giftedparentingsupport.blogspot.com.au/2012/03/gifted-education-awareness-week-namibia.html>

Namibia cheetahs and gifted students

<http://www.giftedresources.org/jo/blog/?p=2998>

Thank a teacher Thursday

<http://mat.usc.edu/thank-a-teacher-thursday-24-gifted-talented/>

What happens if you swallow a wormhole? 1 April 2012

<http://www.giftedresources.org/jo/blog/?p=3047>

<http://www.giftedresources.org/jo/blog/?p=3050>

Vic Parliamentary Enquiry learns from Israel

<http://www.jwire.com.au/news/parliament-learns-from-israel/23025>

Goldilocks parents

<http://goldilocksparents.blogspot.com.au/>

Teaching Generation Now – Flubaroo

<http://www.teachgennow.com.au/2012/03/54-flubaroo/>

The daring librarian blog

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

The Daring Librarian: Twitter

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

Andrew Edward Collins I am a twice exceptional student

<http://www.edweek.org/ew/articles/2012/03/28/26collins.h31.html?tkn=LSXFaxAOh/OdOch6%2BZbk9fy9apm0M/7XQWW&cmp=clp-edweek>

Animods

<http://disney.go.com/create/apps/animods/dog>

ECHA Call for papers

<http://echa2012.info/registrations/call-for-papers>

Australian Gemini School Astronomy Contest: 2012

<http://ausgo.aao.gov.au/contest/>

Multiple talents multiple passions

<http://blogs.psychcentral.com/creative-mind/2012/03/multiple-talents-multiple-passions-burnout/>

Comprehensive guide-to Google free tools for teachers and students

<http://educationaltech-med.blogspot.com.au/2012/03/comprehensive-guide-to-google-free.html>

Lisa Rivero As speakers for gifted children

<http://christinefonseca.wordpress.com/2012/03/14/as-speakers-for-gifted-children/>

New blog Peak Educational Resources

<http://peakeducationalresources.blogspot.com.au/>

Teaching with iPads and tablets

<http://teachwithyouripad.wikispaces.com/>

<http://learninginhand.com/ipad>

<http://appsineducation.blogspot.com.au/>

<http://www.ipadsforeducation.vic.edu.au/1-to-1-learning-success>

Vi Hart Doodling in maths

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=endscreen&NR=1&v=ahXIMUkSXX0>

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iG7vhMMXagQ&feature=endscreen&NR=1>

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DK5Z709J2eo&feature=relmfu>

SENG: Can you hear the flowers sing?

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