



**GIFTED RESOURCES NEWSLETTER  
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## *Gifted Resources News*

Wishing you a blessed and very happy Christmas  
and a safe, healthy and prosperous 2013

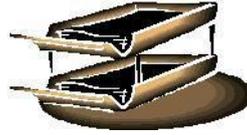
The Twitter Bird Advent Calender Tree

<http://www.giftedresources.org/jo/>

I will be opening one door on the tree every day  
until Christmas



## 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)

GERRIC A Nation Deceived Panel Tuesday 15 January 2013 1:30pm - 4:00pm [WEBSITE](#)

CAGE and NZGIFTED Doubly special symposium Christchurch NZ 23 February 2013 [PDF FLYER](#)

VAGTC CONFERENCE EmpowerEd for Giftedness 23-24 April 2013 [WEBSITE](#)

WORLD COUNCIL FOR GIFTED AND TALENTED CHILDREN 20th Biennial World Conference  
"Celebrating Giftedness and Creativity" 10-14 August 2013 [WEBSITE](#)

TAG - Tasmanian Association for Gifted Igniting Talent: Toddlers to Teens Conference 6-8th  
September 2013 [WEBSITE](#)

ICTDE Turkey 25-28 September 2013 [WEBSITE](#)

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### VICTORIAN PARLIAMENTARY INQUIRY INTO THE EDUCATION OF GIFTED AND TALENTED STUDENTS

#### Report and Response

##### Report

[http://www.parliament.vic.gov.au/images/stories/committees/etc/Past\\_Inquiries/EGT\\_S\\_Inquiry/Final\\_Report/Gifted\\_and\\_Talented\\_Final\\_Report.pdf](http://www.parliament.vic.gov.au/images/stories/committees/etc/Past_Inquiries/EGT_S_Inquiry/Final_Report/Gifted_and_Talented_Final_Report.pdf)

##### Government Response

The Government Response was tabled on 11 December 2012.

<http://www.parliament.vic.gov.au/etc/article/1341>

[http://www.parliament.vic.gov.au/images/stories/committees/etc/Past\\_Inquiries/EGT\\_S\\_Inquiry/Government\\_Response/Gov\\_Response\\_Education\\_Committee.pdf](http://www.parliament.vic.gov.au/images/stories/committees/etc/Past_Inquiries/EGT_S_Inquiry/Government_Response/Gov_Response_Education_Committee.pdf)

##### Article: The Age 11.12.2012

<http://www.theage.com.au/national/education/fast-track-for-gifted-students-20121210-2b64p.html>

# 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)

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>**

## '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](mailto: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

[ijgrant@optusnet.com.au](mailto:ijgrant@optusnet.com.au)

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>*

## **Gifted Families Support Group**

PO Box 51 Miranda NSW 1490

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

Gifted Families Support Group Incorporated is a not for profit group formed in 2012 by local Mums looking for more activities for their children. The group is designed to support families of gifted children.

It is our goal to use our experience with our own children, coupled with invaluable advice from others on the gifted journey, to provide families with the support they need.

# NEWS FROM THE VAGTC

## EmpowerED ....for giftedness

The VAGTC will be hosting our biennial conference on Tuesday 23rd and Wednesday 24th April 2013.

EmpowerED for Giftedness

A Conference focusing on Differentiation

with Keynote Speaker

**Susan Winebrinner**

Suan Winebrinner is a full-time consultant in staff development. She presents workshops and seminars nationally and internationally, helping educators translate educational research into classroom practice.

Susan is the author or co-author of The Cluster Grouping Handbook (with Dina Brulles, PhD.) Teaching Gifted Kids in the Classroom, Teaching Kids with Learning Difficulties in the Regular Classroom, and Differentiating Content for Gifted Learners Grades 6-12.

**Expression of Interest**

To register your expression of interest please complete the following form and send to VAGTC, PO Box 132, Caulfield South 3163.

**Buy your tickets online**

Early Bird Registration (pay before 31st December 2012 and save!)

- \* VAGTC/AAEGT Members (\$495)
- \* Non Members (\$545)
- \* Parent Session - Members (\$20)
- \* Parent Session - Non Members (\$25)

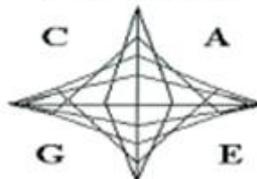
Normal Registration

- \* VAGTC/AAEGT Members (\$545)
- \* Non Members (\$595)
- \* Parents (\$150)



**CAGE and GiftEDnz are combining to bring an exciting  
symposium to Christchurch in 2013**

**Christchurch Association  
for  
Gifted Education**



## **Doubly Special**

***A day dedicated to understanding gifted students challenged  
by learning difficulties.***

*Affordable PD for teachers working with our twice exceptional students.*

**Key Note Speaker:**

*Nathan Mikaere-Wallace*  
**'X Factor Education'**

**Panel Discussion**

**Table Presentations**

**Networking**

**When:** 23 February 2013

**Where:** Avonhead School

**Time:** 9.30-4.00

**Cost:** \$30.00 members, \$45.00 non-members

**(includes lunch, morning tea, drinks and nibbles)**

Expressions of interest to Anna Meuli: <mailto:giftednz@gmail.com>

## TAG - Tasmanian Association for Gifted Conference 6-8th September 2013

Igniting Talent: Toddlers to Teens.

Tag invites you to explore ways to:

- \* Maintain children's passion for and excitement of learning;
- \* Develop potential into talent; and
- \* Cater for gifted students within the Australian Curriculum.

We are thrilled to have received confirmation today that Professor Nicholas Colangelo, director of the Belin Blank International Center for Gifted Education and Talent Development at The University of Iowa and co-author of *The Nation Deceived: How Schools Hold Back America's Brightest Students* will be a keynote speaker for the conference. To have someone of Professor Colangelo's calibre as part of our program is exciting and sets the scene for a conference that will offer something for everyone, parents and educators of students of all ages.

Michele Juratowitch, as an invited speaker has confirmed her participation, so look forward to presentations about gifted students and video gaming as well as parental advocacy.

We will be calling for abstracts for presentations, so spread the word to anyone who would be interested.

We welcome anyone who has any time or skills to share in the organisation of this event. Please email [tasgifted@gmail.com](mailto:tasgifted@gmail.com) and let us know of your interest



**Expanding Minds Midwest Inc  
aims to:**

Provide support for families of high ability children in the Midwest Region

Provide a range of extra-curricular enrichment activities catering for high ability children

Develop partnerships with educational institutions for the purpose of enrichment of high ability children

Support and promote gifted and talented education within the Midwest

**2011 Committee**

*President:* Di Todd 0459 559038  
southridge.design@bigpond.com.au

*Vice Pres:* Kate Tonkin 0448 642542  
*Secretary:* Michele Russell 0408 280668  
*Treasurer:* Kylie Pirrottina 0427 216451



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**Gifted children may :**

- Learn rapidly with little practise
- Walk and/or talk early
- Show an early intense interest in books and learn to read at a young age
- Not always show their abilities at school
- Be very curious and ask complex questions
- Make unusual connections between topics
- Have a long attention span
- Prefer the company of older children
- Get bored easily
- Be impatient with others
- Be perfectionist and persistent
- Think faster than they can write

( from [www.thinkingahead.com.au](http://www.thinkingahead.com.au) )

Expanding Minds Midwest Inc. is a support group for gifted children and their families.

Some of our activities :

*Monthly "coffee and chat " for parents*

*Guest speakers*

*Car Rally*

*Science Club*

*Astronomy*

*Kids workshops*

*Information evenings*

*Picnics*

For membership or more information please contact a committee member. Details overleaf.

*Useful links and websites*

[www.thinkingahead.com.au](http://www.thinkingahead.com.au)

[www.nationdeceived.org](http://www.nationdeceived.org)

[www.sengifted.org](http://www.sengifted.org)

[www.gatcawa.org](http://www.gatcawa.org)

[www.hoagiesgifted.org](http://www.hoagiesgifted.org)

[www.stephanietolan.com/is\\_it\\_a\\_cheetah.htm](http://www.stephanietolan.com/is_it_a_cheetah.htm)

*For the kids*

[www.tryscience.org](http://www.tryscience.org)

[www.mathletics.com](http://www.mathletics.com)

[www.braingym.com.au](http://www.braingym.com.au)



# 100 Story Building

Hi Jo,

Jenna passed on the message that you were looking for some info on our upcoming school holiday workshops for your newsletter.

We'll be doing two 100 Story Holiday workshops in Jan 2013 at Gasworks, Albert Park.

Here's the info about them - let me know if you need anything else

Thanks,  
Jess

## **Zs and Lightbulbs - A Comic-making Workshop**

Tuesday 22 Jan, 10:30am-12:30pm

8-14 years

Cost: \$40

Which would you prefer – the ability to fly, or to turn invisible? Maybe you have an even better idea for a superpower. In this action-packed workshop, create your own 8-page superhero comic, using just one piece of A3 paper, and some techniques based on professional book-making processes.

## **Bookmaking - Creating an Ideas Journal**

Wednesday 23 Jan, 10:30am-12:30pm

8-14 years

Cost: \$40

Create your own 40-page ideas journal using professional book-making processes and just 5 pieces of A3 paper, cardboard, glue and a needle and thread. As the glue dries, explore some examples of personal ideas journals, what sort of content can be put in them, and how you can use them for creative writing.

About the presenter

Lachlann Carter is a former teacher and public programs facilitator on the Polly Woodside, and co-founder of 100 Story Building, a social enterprise that provides free literacy programs to disadvantaged children in Melbourne's west. [www.100storybuilding.org.au](http://www.100storybuilding.org.au)

Jess Tran  
Communications Manager and co-founder

**100 Story Building**

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[www.100storybuilding.org.au](http://www.100storybuilding.org.au)

The Royal Commonwealth Society Essay Writing Competition 2013

[www.thercs.org/youth/competitions](http://www.thercs.org/youth/competitions)

Thanks to Susan Wight and Home Education Network for this information:

## **DISTANCE EDUCATION NOW OPEN TO HOME EDUCATORS FOR VCE**

**From the Distance Education Victoria 2013 enrolment forms at**

<http://www.distance.vic.edu.au/wp-content/uploads/2012/06/10-12-Enrolment-Handbook-2013.pdf>

“In 2013 Home schooling families will be able to enrol their children directly into a VCE or VCAL program with the DECV.

Home Schooling families wanting to enrol their child into a VCE program with the Distance Education Centre, Victoria will need to satisfy the following enrolment criteria:

### **Eligibility for enrolment**

1. For the purposes of enrolment with the DECV to undertake the VCE or VCAL, a home schooler would have been undertaking learning within the home for a period of 12 months or more. Persons requesting enrolment in this category are required to provide evidence of registration as a home schooler with Victorian Registration and Qualifications Authority (VRQA) (or equivalent authority in other states) for a minimum of one complete school year (i.e. enrolled with the VRQA by the start of February in the year prior to undertaking the VCE or VCAL program).

Home schooled students, under 17 years of age must undertake a full time VCE/ VCAL program and do not need to register with the VRQA.

2. A condition of enrolment is that students attempting the VCE or VCAL are capable of succeeding in the program. As home schoolers do not have moderated assessments of capability at year 10 level, it is important to have an assessment of student learning appropriate to the desired VCE studies.

DECV will provide the test for those who elect to sit the test. The test may be undertaken at DECV or a negotiated site. Where the test is undertaken externally to DECV, the test must be supervised by an appropriate adult, approved by the DECV.

### **Materials Charge: \$160 per year or \$80 for one semester”**

Although Distance Ed do not take enrolments from home educators for years P-10 (unless you fit one of their [enrolment categories](#)), DECV materials for these levels can be purchased if desired at a cost of \$160 per whole Grade/Year level course or \$80 for one semester.

Contact the DECV Enrolment Office for a “Purchase of Materials” application form.

Distance Education Centre Victoria

Web; <http://www.distance.vic.edu.au/>

Phone: 03 8480 0000

Toll Free: 1800 133 511

Fax: 03 9416 8493

Email: [feedback@distance.vic.edu.au](mailto:feedback@distance.vic.edu.au)

# DIGITAL BADGES

During December I have been participating in a two week Digital Badges course with Peter Rawsthorne The overview of the course is at

[http://en.wikiversity.org/wiki/User:Peterrawsthorne/PhD/DigitalBadges#Digital\\_Badges](http://en.wikiversity.org/wiki/User:Peterrawsthorne/PhD/DigitalBadges#Digital_Badges)

and forums at <http://scope.bccampus.ca/mod/forum/view.php?id=9010>

As part of the course I completed activities to earn badges on Khan Academy

<http://www.khanacademy.org/> and Open Badges <http://openbadges.org/en-US/faq.html>

Here are some of the links and posts associated with the course

Wiki Versity Digital badges

[http://en.wikiversity.org/wiki/User:Peterrawsthorne/PhD/DigitalBadges#Digital\\_Badges](http://en.wikiversity.org/wiki/User:Peterrawsthorne/PhD/DigitalBadges#Digital_Badges)

Jenny Mackness

<http://jennymackness.wordpress.com/2012/12/05/digitalbadges-scope-seminar-on-digital-badges/>

A simple three badge system design

<http://criticaltechnology.blogspot.ca/2012/11/a-simple-three-badge-system-design.html>

<http://criticaltechnology.blogspot.ca/2012/12/implementing-really-simple-badge-system.html>

<http://www.onlineuniversities.com/blog/2012/12/what-badges-replaced-grades/>

Open culture free certificate courses

[http://www.openculture.com/free\\_certificate\\_courses](http://www.openculture.com/free_certificate_courses)

Mozilla wiki

<https://wiki.mozilla.org/index.php?title=Special:UserLogin&returnto=Badges/Onboarding-Earner>

Digital Badges for Vets

<http://www.insidehighered.com/news/2012/12/07/website-recognizes-military-skills-digital-badges#ixzz2EOJPbiRD%20>

My blog posts

Digital Badges <http://www.giftedresources.org/jo/blog/?p=3871>

Digital Badges 2 <http://www.giftedresources.org/jo/blog/?p=3882>

Digital Badges 3 <http://www.giftedresources.org/jo/blog/?p=3889>



## NEWS FROM GERRIC



**UNSW**  
THE UNIVERSITY OF NEW SOUTH WALES  
SYDNEY · CANBERRA · AUSTRALIA

**GERRIC**  
Faculty of Arts & Social Sciences

**GERRIC**

### **A Nation Deceived Panel**

A special event upcoming on Tuesday 15 January 2013 1:30pm - 4:00pm. GERRIC has the pleasure of hosting a panel on A Nation Deceived: How Schools Hold Back America's Brightest Students, The Templeton National Report on Acceleration. This report was written in 2004 by Professor Nicholas Colangelo, Professor Susan G. Assouline, from the Belin Blank Center at the University of Iowa, and the Director of GERRIC, Emeritus Professor Miraca Gross, all of whom will be on the panel.

A Nation Deceived highlights disparities between the research on acceleration and the educational beliefs and practices that often run contrary to the research.

<http://gerric.arts.unsw.edu.au/news-events/a-nation-deceived-panel-1869.html>

### Contact Details

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Phone: +61 (2) 9385 1979 | Fax: +61 (2) 9385 1972

Website: <http://gerric.arts.unsw.edu.au>

### **The Certificate of Gifted Education**

<http://gerric.arts.unsw.edu.au/for-educators/coge/>

Face to face in Sydney or Online 2013

Applications Now Open! (PDF) (3 Mb)

[http://gerric.arts.unsw.edu.au/media/File/COGE\\_2013\\_Brochure\\_.pdf](http://gerric.arts.unsw.edu.au/media/File/COGE_2013_Brochure_.pdf)

Master classes

<http://gerric.arts.unsw.edu.au/for-educators/master-class/>

Student Programs 2013

<http://gerric.arts.unsw.edu.au/for-gifted-students/>

## From Dee White

I still run my online classes at <http://writingclassesforkids.com> but I'm not running any 'real' ones over summer.

But I do have a free e-book with tips for kids who love to write. Here's the link:  
<https://www.smashwords.com/books/view/250207>

## MY RECENT WEBINARS AND BLOG POSTS

Fine Focus webinar Which de Bono Action Shoes are best for a 2E student on Gagne's DMGT Road? 1

<http://www.giftedresources.org/jo/blog/?p=3804>

Fine Focus webinar Which de Bono Action Shoes are best for a 2E student on Gagne's DMGT Road? 2

<http://www.giftedresources.org/jo/blog/?p=3847>

Fine Focus webinar Characteristics of 2E students 1

<http://johart1.edublogs.org/2012/11/28/edublogs-webinar-overview-characteristics-of-2e-students-part-1/>

Susan Fisher's dream classroom <http://www.giftedresources.org/giftedblog/2012/11/28/susan-fishers-dream-classroom/>

Digital Badges <http://www.giftedresources.org/jo/blog/?p=3871>

Digital Badges 2 <http://www.giftedresources.org/jo/blog/?p=3882>

Digital Badges 3 <http://www.giftedresources.org/jo/blog/?p=3889>

## SOME INTERESTING WEBSITES

Mozilla open webmaker

<https://webmaker.org/en-US/>

Carolyn Coil 10 myths about gifted students

<http://schoolsofthought.blogs.cnn.com/2012/11/14/ten-myths-about-gifted-students-and-programs-for-gifted/>

History simulation

<http://www.historysimulation.com/HomePage.html>

Questioning our use of technology in the classroom

<http://www.teachthought.com/technology/questioning-our-use-of-technology-in-the-classroom/>

Dr Julie King

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

The De Bono Society Ning

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

Rockpool Homeschool

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

Irving ISD Robotics

<http://www.irvingisd.net/robotics/curriculum.htm>

Lego Engineering

<http://legoengineering.com/curriculum-submenuteachingresources-142.html>

Sydney Story Factory

<http://www.sydneystoryfactory.org.au/whats-on/category/workshops/>

100storybuilding

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

Skymaps

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

Scoop.It psych owl ogist

<http://www.scoop.it/t/psychology-fun-facts-and-quizzes/p/1870918792/the-psych-owl-ogist-6-sprite-s-site>

The Age T is for Teaching

<http://www.theage.com.au/national/t-is-for-teaching-20121130-2amd9.html>

Graham M Oliver TAGT 2012 Conference Write-up

<http://gmoliver.wordpress.com/2012/12/02/tagt-2012-conference-writ-up/>

Gifted Phoenix

Working Towards Stronger European Collaboration in Gifted Education

<http://giftedphoenix.wordpress.com/2012/12/02/working-towards-stronger-european-collaboration-in-gifted-education/>

EdSurge

<https://www.edsurge.com/>

<https://www.edsurge.com/n/2012-11-27-how-to-succeed-in-ed-tech>

Developing Blogging Skills: Simple Rubric

<http://primarytech.global2.vic.edu.au/2012/11/28/developing-blogging-skills-simple-rubric/>

Open culture Free Online courses

[http://www.openculture.com/free\\_certificate\\_courses](http://www.openculture.com/free_certificate_courses)

The Deep End Are we redefining the wrong word?

<http://welcometothedeepend.com/2012/11/27/are-we-redefining-the-wrong-word/>

Seven learning styles

<http://www.educatorstechnology.com/2012/11/the-seven-learning-styles-teachers.html>

Learning through images

<http://steampic.wordpress.com/>

Sue Weatherill Helpn-Oz Horse Programs Holiday Program  
<http://www.facebook.com/pages/Helpn-Oz-Horse-Programs-for-the-Community/165217303502821?ref=hl>

Neuroscience applied to education: p mostly unimpressive  
<http://www.danielwillingham.com/1/post/2012/11/neuroscience-applied-to-education-mostly-unimpressive.html>

Be that change education  
<http://bethatchangeeducation.com/teacher-toolkit-2/> - watch to see if helpful

GT VSL Space  
<http://gtvslspace.net/>

Envisioning the future of education technology  
<http://envisioningtech.com/education/>

Penny Willoughby Free Gifted Health check  
<http://www.thinkingoutsidethebox.com.au/for-schools/free-gifted-education-health.html>

How can you help the genius in the classroom?  
[http://chronicle.com/article/The-Genius-in-the-Classroom/135820/?cid=cr&utm\\_source=cr&utm\\_medium=en](http://chronicle.com/article/The-Genius-in-the-Classroom/135820/?cid=cr&utm_source=cr&utm_medium=en)

Mrs P's blog  
<http://mrspstorytime.typepad.com/blog/2012/11/holiday-stories-bring-message-of-hope-from-mrspcom-.html>

Ankur Singh  
<http://www.washingtonpost.com/blogs/answer-sheet/wp/2012/11/09/one-teens-standardized-testing-horror-story-and-where-it-will-lead/>

Port of Melbourne Resources for teachers  
<http://www.portofmelbourne.com/education/teachers.aspx>

Gifted Support Center  
<http://www.giftedsupportcenter.com/>

Venspired Differentiate the possibilities  
<http://venspired.com/?p=3806>

Grammar monster  
<http://www.grammar-monster.com/index.html>

Jessica Lahey  
<http://comingofageinthemiddle.blogspot.com.au/2012/11/the-beauty-of-youngest.html>

Byrdseed gifted Presentations  
<http://www.byrdseed.com/iag2012/>

The Age Australia's disaster in education

<http://m.theage.com.au/national/education/australias-disaster-in-education-20121211-2b7y8.html>

Highlights from TIMSS and PIRLS 2011

[http://www.acer.edu.au/documents/TIMSS-PIRLS\\_Australian-Highlights.pdf](http://www.acer.edu.au/documents/TIMSS-PIRLS_Australian-Highlights.pdf)

## **SUBSCRIPTION INFORMATION**

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**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/swimfit/holiday/svp>

**AUSTRALIAN MUSEUM SYDNEY**

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

**Holiday Programs**

<http://www.australianmuseum.net.au/event/January-Holidays>

**BOOKS ILLUSTRATED**

[http://www.booksillustrated.com.au/bi\\_workshops.php](http://www.booksillustrated.com.au/bi_workshops.php)

**BUBBLE DOME EDUCATION**

<http://www.bubbledome.co.nz/workshop-sign-up>

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[www.chip.edu.au](http://www.chip.edu.au)

**THE POWER OF CHIP HOLIDAY PROGRAM**

<http://www.chip.edu.au/storage/Summer%202013%20HP.pdf>

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**CSIRO EDUCATION VICTORIA**

**CSIRO Double Helix Holiday Programs**

**For details see**

<http://www.csiro.au/Portals/Education/Programs/Double-Helix-Science-Club/Helix-events/VIC-Holiday-Programs.aspx>

## **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/>

School holiday programs

## **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](mailto: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/>

## **MELBOURNE AQUARIUM**

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

<http://www.melbourneaquarium.com.au/education/self-guided-programs/school-holidays>

## **MELBOURNE MUSEUM**

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

## **MELBOURNE PLANETARIUM**

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

## **MONASH SCIENCE CENTRE**

For full details of the science programs provided by Monash Science Centre see

<http://www.sci.monash.edu.au/msc/>

For details of holiday programs see

<http://sciencecentre.monash.edu/shp/index.html>

<http://sciencecentre.monash.edu/shp/shpjan13.pdf>

## **NATIONAL GALLERY OF VICTORIA**

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

## **NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF DRAMATIC ART (NIDA) SHORT COURSES**

<http://www.nida.edu.au/SHORT-COURSES/default.aspx>

**Youth courses Sydney Summer**

<http://www.nida.edu.au/ABOUT-SUMMER-YOUTH-PROGRAM/default.aspx>

**Brisbane and Melbourne Courses**

<http://www.nida.edu.au/NidaCustomisation/CourseList.aspx?TYP=393>

**PARKS VICTORIA**

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

**Holiday Discovery Programs**

<http://parkweb.vic.gov.au/learning-and-discovery/family-activities>

**POWERHOUSE MUSEUM SYDNEY****School Holiday Program**

[http://play.powerhousemuseum.com/whatson/school\\_holidays.php](http://play.powerhousemuseum.com/whatson/school_holidays.php)

**QUEST LIFELEARNING FOUNDATION**

<http://www.questlife.com.au/pages/extension.php>

**RSPCA Holiday Program**

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

**SCIENCEWORKS MUSEUM**

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

**SUE WEATHERILL Helpn-Oz Horse Programs Holiday Program**

<http://www.facebook.com/pages/Helpn-Oz-Horse-Programs-for-the-Community/165217303502821?ref=hl>

**THE ART FACTORY School Holiday Programs**

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

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Zoo Adventures Holiday programs

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

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