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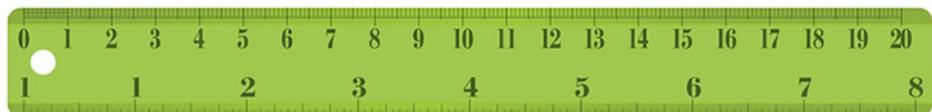
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1. Adult Learners' Week Forum

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Focus on Assessment – three perspectives from the field



Royal Hotel, 41 Spensley Street Clifton Hill [Map](#)

This interactive forum will bring together three experienced LLN practitioners to talk about innovative and effective approaches to assessment. Both for the initial interview and LLN assessment, they will discuss some strategies that better serve the needs of learners, while also being authentic and accountable.

The presentations will be followed by a Q&A session.

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2. Adult Learners Week 2016

VALBEC supports Adult Learners Week 2016 - Learn Outside The Square from September 1-8.

To learn more about ALW head to the [website](#).

Organisations can promote their events, download promotional material and enter their events to win prizes.



3. 'A Fuller Sense of Self' Five Years On

A Fuller Sense of Self - a collection of stories told by adult literacy students" was published by VALBEC in 2011. These students shared their thoughts about returning to study to develop their literacy skills. They described why they made that move and how that decision shaped and changed their lives for the better.

Five years on we decided to revisit these students and their stories, to find out where they are now and to discover if and how learning continues to influence their life journey. We tracked down three of our original storytellers. Linda, a student from the Glenroy Neighbourhood Learning Centre, and David and Sue, both students from Southern Grampians Adult Education based in Hamilton in Western Victoria.

This time our storytellers kindly and courageously shared their thoughts on camera.

VALBEC will launch the video stories on 6 September for Adult learners' Week.

Put the date in your diaries now, and stay tuned.

In the meantime, [you can watch the trailer here](#)

[Download the original Fuller Sense of Self book](#)

4. Fine Print

Edition 2

Do you regularly engage in professional development through reading and discussing articles in Fine Print? There are so many stimulating and relevant articles in each edition to provide stimulus for reflection and conversation. Consider topics around good teaching practices or generating new ideas for classroom activities to engage students. Edition #2 will be coming to your mailbox soon so take the opportunity to utilise this great resource with your colleagues.

Student artwork

Do you have original student artwork or images of students at work or engaged in activities that we could include in Fine Print? We are always on the lookout for images for the cover and to include throughout the Journal.

Send with contact details and permissions to info@valbec.org.au

5. Vacancy • EAL Teacher • Olympic Adult Education

- Teach CSWE I and CSWE III in a Community Setting
- Friendly environment
- Part-time Mondays and Fridays - 5 hours per day

Olympic Adult Education is looking for an experienced and passionate EAL teacher with excellent communication skills to teach CSWE I and CSWE III in classroom based training within a community setting.

The current position is:

CSWE I - Monday, CSWE III - Friday Hours: 9:30am - 3:00pm

Salary level: Casual \$53.13 per hour \$41.01 for meetings

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6. How to manage a person with dyslexia

The Mind Tools website has lots of interesting, short, well written articles about skills for work and improving your own performance in the workplace. I have been receiving the Mind Tools Newsletter for many years and have used them often in my teaching of high level EAL students and overseas trained professionals.

The latest newsletter (Newsletter 438, 19 July 2016) contains an interesting article:

'How to manage a person with dyslexia'

This article contains some practical suggestions and simple strategies for managers who are working with dyslexic colleagues. You may find that these suggestions assist your students who are working. Your students could discuss some of these strategies with their boss during performance appraisals as ways to improve their performance. The key message is that dyslexic workers are valuable to a workplace.

Rhonda Raisbeck

7. Parliament of Victoria resources

The federal elections are over. Some very close results, some disagreements unresolved. But now it's time to pause ... and plan some education about politics in Victoria. The Parliament of Victoria has updated its resources for CGEA students while continuing to encourage students to participate as citizens - and to discover that parliamentary education can be enjoyable. As one major benefit from the resources, students gain Events Management skills (plan a visit to parliament house or invite a local MP as guest speaker) as well as an understanding of how things happen at Spring Street and in the local electorate.

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8. The Reading Hour, August 16

The Reading Hour is one of the most celebrated annual reading initiatives in Australia, and supports individuals, families and communities to discover and rediscover the joy of reading.

The Reading Hour emerged from the National Year of Reading 2012, and is an ongoing campaign from Love2Read, funded by the ALIA Australian Public Library Alliance and in partnership with the Copyright Agency Cultural Fund.

The Reading Hour reminds parents, caregivers and families that reading together doesn't have to be a massive undertaking in their increasingly busy lives, but rather encourages the 'anytime, anywhere' mantra, building a foundation in society whereby reading is a gift, given freely.

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