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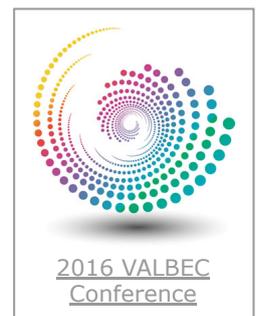
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1. VALBEC Conference 2016 - 'Joining the Dots: Multiple literacies in multiple contexts'

Thank you to everybody who helped make the VALBEC 2016 conference a success, including organisers, presenters and participants. We had great day and wonderful feedback.

Keynote - Tony Dreise

Our keynote speaker Tony Dreise, ACER research fellow and Indigenous educator, inspired us at the start of the day with ideas and case studies highlighting the importance of lifelong holistic education. His learning framework called 'Learning, Earning and Yearning' takes into account the whole learner 'being, belonging' and becoming'. He urged us to look at the Early Years Learning Framework as something that could more effectively inform adult learning. He also highlighted the value of practice and research, informing policy, not the other way round. Tony has an article in our latest Fine print edition entitled 'First people, first place'. 2016 vol: 39 #1



Pics and PowerPoints

Our [website has photos](#) from the day. Who can you spot?
See the [latest PowerPoints from presenters as well as some visual presentations](#).

Feedback

If you have any further feedback or comments about the day please email info@valbec.org.au

2. Fine Print

From the Vault: [Fine Print 2005 Vol 25:2](#)

Each month a VALBEC committee member selects a specific article from the Fine Print archive that illustrates good teaching practice, describes theories related to a ranges of literacies, explores a particular topic of interest or has some synergy with the present environment.

There are so many great articles and interesting discussions in the [Fine Print archive](#) that I found it difficult to choose. I went from looking at articles that dealt with learning difficulties to our conference theme multiple literacies and everything in between.

I stumbled upon this article, an interview between Rob McCormack and Michael Chalk in 2002. It stood out as Rob a long-time teacher and academic in the ALBE field, makes the statement that he has '...given up on literacy as a fundamental concept.' I was intrigued and had to know more.

[Embracing the differences: a lateral approach to literacy](#), pg 24-26

Meg Cotter



Current edition

We trust you are enjoying reading Edition #1 2016. The feature article by Tony Dreise resonates with the concepts and themes in his wonderful keynote address at the 2016 VALBEC conference - Joining the dots. We plan to have some of the stimulating and relevant presentations included in forthcoming editions for those who missed out on attending the conference.

Do you have 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

3. Professional development

Teachers go to Parliament

The Civics and Citizenship Network's annual professional development day is happening on Monday 25 July. Come to Parliament House for a tour followed by a program of presentations from a range of civics educators from institutions in the CBD that have school programs and resources.

[More](#)

Learn Local Conference - 'Learning from the Past: Planning for the Future'

Save the Date: Tuesday 30th and Wednesday 31st August. Details to come.

4. Vacancy

Teacher - Language, Literacy and Numeracy (LLN)

Djerriwarrh Community & Education Services is seeking TESOL qualified teachers to join our LLN Foundation Skills team, delivery training in Certificates in EAL (Access). Experience teaching CaLD student groups reflecting best practice, will be highly regarded. Positions are sessional fixed-term, based in Sunshine and Melton; 17 hours per week over 3 days, commencing immediately.

Djerriwarrh offers attractive salary packaging benefits and ongoing professional development within a great team of LLN practitioners. Browse www.djerriwarrh.org.au

To request a position description please contact Lucy Tran on (03) 90097900 or email lucyt@djerriwarrh.org.au.

5. CGEA Champions Survey

The CGEA Champions network would like your feedback.

We encourage any teachers who have attended the CGEA Champions network to provide feedback about their experiences with the network and how it can better cater for your needs.

Please click this link for the online survey. <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/9MSTR3N>

NEXT CGEA Champions meeting

Thursday 2nd June 10-12.30pm. If you are interested in joining the group contact Tim Morris on tim.morris@rmit.edu.au

6. NEXT EAL Curriculum Advisory Group meeting

The next meeting will be on Wednesday June 1st 3-4.30pm.

If you are interested in joining the group or finding out more contact Angela DiSciascio. Email ADiScias@gordontafe.edu.au

7. Learn Local Awards closing very soon

Nominations for the 2016 Victorian Learn Local Awards will close soon! - Friday 3 June. These awards are to recognise the outstanding achievements of organisations, programs and individuals within the Learn Local education and training sector.

www.education.vic.gov.au/learnlocalawards

The winners will be announced at an awards ceremony to be held in Melbourne on Thursday, 8 September 2016.

8. Refugee Week 2016 19-25 June

The official launch of Refugee Week is on Sunday 19th June 3:00pm-8:00pm in Federation Square. For more information and ideas how to celebrate Refugee Week at your organisation you can sign up for the Refugee Week 2016 Bulletin at <http://www.refugeecouncil.org.au/> They will be sending updates every two weeks about events, ambassadors, resources and much more. Your Refugee Week event can also be promoted. Send your events to refugeeweek@refugeecouncil.org.au.

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