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Inner Eastern Local Learning and Employment Network

making education and training work for young people

Welcome to the first Inner Eastern LLEN E-bulletin. Please feel free to forward this electronic newsletter to your contacts. If you have information you would like to be included in a future issue of this bulletin, please email Felicity Cramp on fcramp@iellen.org.au

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The IELLEN and other LLENs across the state are currently in the process of preparing their strategic plans for the next funding period (2009 -2011). There are significant changes planned in the approach to education in Victoria and indeed nationally that will be certainly be considered in the IELLEN's strategic planning process.

The Blueprint for Education and Early Childhood Development, which was launched by the Victorian Premier John Brumby this month, outlines the changes that will be implemented in Victoria. The document can be found on the Department of Education and Early childhood Development website by following the link in this edition of the IELLEN Newsletter.

The Draft National Declaration on Educational Goals for Young Australians was also launched this month by the Australian Education Ministers in collaboration with the Catholic and Independent school sectors. The Declaration will set the agenda for Australian schooling over the next 10 years. The link to this document is also in this edition of the IELLEN newsletter.

The IELLEN strategic plan will aim to reflect our continuing commitment to ensuring young people (particularly those who are disadvantaged) have access to education, training and transition support that meets their individual needs and leads to sustainable pathways. Developing new cross sectoral partnerships and strengthening our existing community partnerships will continue to be an IELLEN priority and pivotal to implementing strategies at a local level.

Regards,

Gill Meek
Executive Officer
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Useful Education Links

[The Blueprint for Education and Early Childhood Development – “Every child, every opportunity”](#)

[Draft National Declaration on Educational Goals for Young Australians](#)

[Securing Jobs for your Future – skills for Victoria](#)

[VALA – Victorian Applied Learning Association website](#)

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Mentoring Program Update

At the IELLEN we match volunteer mentors with young people studying post-compulsory education in the local areas of Stonnington, Port Phillip and Boroondara. The aim is to encourage them to develop skills and confidence and to find new pathways to education and employment. With the help of a mentor, a young person can develop self-esteem, trust and communication skills to gain direction for their future.

We recently held a dinner forum for our mentors at Mekanix Restaurant in Prahran. It was a great opportunity for the volunteers to meet each other and talk about their individual experiences.



For more information about our program or becoming a mentor please email Penny Smith on psmith@iellen.org.au

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Victorian Youth Mentoring Alliance



The Victorian Youth Mentoring Alliance (VYMA) is an incorporated, non-government, representative organisation of youth mentoring programs in Victoria. It's members represent the entire spread of youth mentoring programs operating in Victoria, including community based programs, school based programs, and cultural and faith based programs.

The VYMA website has a number of resources available for mentor program coordinators and mentors. They also showcase different mentoring programs from around the state. (look out for the IELLEN mentoring program in the "Meet a Program" section)

Visit the VYMA website at www.youthmentoringvic.org.au

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HEAT (Hospitality Education and Training) is a hospitality program delivered from the St Kilda Youth Services training centre in Port Melbourne.

Chris Ellard, from the City of Port Phillip, recently resigned his position as the HEAT Steering Committee Chairperson. Chris has been involved in HEAT since its inception and has contributed a great deal as a committee member and in his role as chairperson. The IELLEN extends best wishes to Chris for the future.

Timothy Hansen has been appointed the new chairperson of the HEAT Steering Committee. Timothy is a Senior Sergeant with Victoria Police and is based in the City of Port Phillip.

The HEAT 11 graduation was held on the 11th of September. These graduations are always a memorable event, contact Vanessa to reserve your place for the next graduation

For more information about the program please contact Vanessa Murnane on vanessa@skys.org.au or 9676 9380.

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Free Committee of Management Workshop (City of Stonnington)



The City of Stonnington is presenting its second free community workshop to assist local committees of management. The workshop will focus on the topics of governance, finance and policy development.

The free workshop will be held on Thursday 2nd of October from 7-9pm at the Phoenix Park Community Centre Conference Room, 22 Rob Roy Road, Malvern East.

Registrations will be taken until 5pm on Friday 26th September. To register online please visit www.stonnington.vic.gov.au/workshop or for further information contact Council's Research and Support Officer on 8290 1283 or robson@stonnington.vic.gov.au

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The Inner Melbourne VET Cluster has spaces available in several of its Trail a Trade programs. If you know a young person between the ages of 15 and 25 interested in the following career paths, please contact Susan Slattery at the IMVC on sslattery@imvc.com.au or 9686 2354.

Hairdressing:

Pivot Point is providing a fantastic opportunity for young people interested in Hairdressing to learn about different Hairdressing pathway options and participate in hands on activities like cutting hair and long hair design. This program is on Friday the 19th September from 10.00am – 4.00pm.

3D Animation and Design:

If you're into computers, graphic design, or animations this day is perfect for you! The day is hosted by the Academy of Interactive Entertainment, which is one of Victoria's best known training centres for 3D Animation and Design. This program will showcase careers and training opportunities in the 3D Animation and Games Industry and give young people a chance to try out some of the latest 3D software available. The programs run on the 23rd and 24th of September from 9.45am – 2.45pm.

Police Force:

If you're interested in joining the Police Force this is a great chance to visit the Water Police and the Police Academy to find out more about career options available. This program runs on Tuesday 14th October from 8.40am – 3.00pm.

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NDCO Facilitated Professional Development Event



The Inner Melbourne VET Cluster invites all partners to a NDCO facilitated Professional Development Event. Wednesday 29th October, 9am – 2.30pm.

Participants will be able to choose from several workshops, including: Learning Disabilities, Autism Spectrum Disorder, Mental Health and Department of Human Services.

Bookings for the workshop are essential. Please confirm your places by Friday 17th October. Contact Effie Kapsalos on 9686 2354 or ekapsalos@imvc.com.au for more information.

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Upcoming Events and Important Dates

Wed 17th Sept	Youth Pathways Forum (City LLEN, Gateway LLEN and Inner Eastern LLEN)
Fri 19th Sept	Term 3 ends
Tue 2nd Oct	Free Committee of Management Workshop City of Stonnington
Mon 6th Oct	Term 4 begins
Tue 28th Oct	IELLEN Committee of Management Meeting
Wed 29th Oct	NDCO Facilitated Professional Development Event

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