AMING TO CREATE ‘ASIA-ENGAGED’ STUDENTS, TEACHERS, AND SCHOOLS WITH SKILLS, KNOWLEDGE AND UNDERSTANDINGS OF ASIA TO EQUIP THEM TO LIVE IN TODAY’S WORLD AND THEIR FUTURE

## Summary of Term 3 Professional Development

| Mon 3/8 W3 | Asian Cuisine Workshop | BOOKED OUT |
| Tues 4/8 W3 | Asian Cuisine Workshop Thai | BOOKED OUT |
| Wed 5/8 W3 | Visual Arts Workshop: Fly My Kite |
| Tues 11/8 W4 | Travel Series: Laos |
| Wed 12/8 W4 | Travel Series: Laos |
| Mon 17/8 W5 | Visual Arts Workshop: Fly My Kite - |
| Wed 19/8 W5 | Visual Arts Workshop: Fly My Kite |
| Tues 25/8 W6 | Access Asia Annual Dinner & Guest speaker, |
| Sat 29/8 to Mon 21/9 | Art Displays Rockingham Lib Melville – Bracks Lib |

## WEBSITES

- National Asia Education Foundation [www.asiaeducation.edu.au](http://www.asiaeducation.edu.au)

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## ‘Principal Matters’: Journal for Secondary School Leaders in Australasia

Invitation to educators and secondary school leaders to write a short article for ‘Principal Matters’.

Dear Education Colleagues,

We are writing to you to ask if you are able to provide an article outlining new policies and programs, legislation, trends, developments, research and education debates in your own country, State, Territory or locality that may be relevant, and of professional interest, to school leaders in Australia. The editorial board is seeking short articles (500-2,500 words) and photos for forthcoming issues of the journal.

Your own topic, based on your own area of interest/expertise (and keeping in mind current issues, trends, debates, reforms, research and developments in education and educational leadership) is most welcome.

Articles on school leadership written by secondary school leaders are especially valued. The editorial board also warmly welcomes articles of interest to school leaders that are written by other educators, education policy makers and education researchers from Australia, and all countries.

Next article submission deadlines: 24 July 2009 and 1 February 2010.

Debra J. Brydon
Executive Editor
e-mail debrabrydon@gmail.com for further information

## Korean-Australian BRIDGE Project

There is an exciting opportunity for selected Australian secondary schools to participate in the Australia- Korea BRIDGE Project. This project is aimed at supporting the development of sister school relationships between Australia and Korea through engagement using ICT, increasing the knowledge and understanding of contemporary Korea in Australian schools and a visiting Korean and Australian teachers program.

Interested?

The AEF are inviting applications from schools which are interested in participating in this program which will commence in August 2009.


Applications will close on Friday 7 August, 5pm, so you’ll need to be quick!!

If you have any queries please email Ms Hilary Smith at: h.smith@asialink.unimelb.edu.au or alternatively call on 03 8344 3589.

## Languages Week Film Festival, 4th-7th August

Cinema Paradiso is screening a selection of films to celebrate Languages Week, including *Hula Girls* (Japanese), *Up the Yangtze* (Chinese) and *TBC* (Indonesian).

For more information, look in the Languages Education Newsletter in Support for Teachers at [www.det.wa.edu.au/curriculumsupport/languages](http://www.det.wa.edu.au/curriculumsupport/languages) or contact Cinema Paradiso on 92271771
27th Australia-Japan Relations Essay Contest 2009

Aim: To encourage and develop a better understanding of Japan and Australia-Japan relations amongst students.

Rules: Open to students from government and non-government Australian secondary schools, including year 7 students in Qld, SA, WA and NT.

Divisions:
- Junior A Years 7-8
- Junior B Years 9-10
- Senior Years 11-12

Prizes:
- 1st place winners in Junior B and Senior Divisions receive a return air-ticket to Japan!!
- 1st place winner in Junior A Division receives $300 of books.

Closing date for entries: Friday, 11 September

For essay topics, where to post essays and other information go to www.au.emb-japan.go.jp

Laptops for Bali

Laptops were successfully delivered to Dauh Tukad Village School in July. Thanks to those individuals who made the donations that were passed on to the school by Greg Harper during a visit to Bali recently.

Greg is seeking further redundant laptops. These are cleaned up at Hamilton SHS where appropriate software is also installed before delivery. Greg is happy to pickup and will organise delivery in Bali.

Visual Arts Displays (Fremantle-Peel) (29/8 to 18/9)

In 2008, 29 teachers from 19 schools contributed over 1 400 pieces fro display at either Melville or Rockingham for 3 weeks. The two libraries involved are looking forward to this year’s visual feast. If you or your school would like to be involved then contact Greg for details: Greg.Harper@det.wa.edu.au

(Displays Visual Arts incorporating Asian content or using Asian techniques; 2 and/or 3 dimensional material, individual or collaborative pieces of any size and shape)

Melville: Collection Thurs 27 Aug Display: 29/8 – 20/9

Rockingham: Collection Fri 28 Aug Display: 29/8 – 18/9

Your participation is sought in the Annual Access Displays held at AH Bracks Library (Melville) and Murdoch University Library (Rockingham). These displays have now run for more than 10 years and in the last few years exhibits have numbered well over 1 200. The displays are well covered by the local press and produce positive community feedback.

Features:
- Free and free pick up and return of student work
- Non-competitive and all work submitted displayed
- Certificates for every student issued at pickup which also gives parents the dates of the displays; simply issue direct to the students
- Small gift from Access Asia to every participating teacher
- Great child/family/community positives and feedback

Children’s Books about Asia (primary and secondary)

Please find attached a comprehensive list of picture books, Access Asia anthologies, fiction, autobiography and non-fiction texts which has been prepared by Kate Shepherd for Austral Ed.

There’s an outline and price for each book. It’s well worth a look, then perhaps print it out and keep it around the office.

For additional lists, go to www.australed.iinet.net

Writing Singapore Short Fiction Competition

A reminder to get those creative stories from secondary students in by 25th September 2009. The winning entry and runner-up entry will have their entries published on the Singapore WA Network website as well as receive cash prizes.

Go to the SWAN website for further details at www.swan.org.au

Early Childhood Special on Tigers

These previously advertised sessions have been rescheduled to early 2010. Details will be made available in a later newsletter.
Register Now!

FLY MY KITE

Kites have been an integral part of the culture of many Asian countries. With many different shapes, functions and decorative details kites are not only about the art of making them, but also the art and thrill of flying them.

The focus of this workshop is to consider how Kites can become a collaborative project across countries - an ideal project to help develop the bonds between sister schools. By each school creating its own kites with a theme to share understandings about themselves.

The session will cover the history and diversity of kite design across Asia and an investigation of themes that might be suitable to use to decorate the face of the kites, as well as possible materials and various techniques that might work well with different surfaces.

Especially suitable for schools looking for projects to enrich their sister school relationships, all primary teachers and those with a Visual Arts interest.

Fly My Kite:

- Wed 5 Aug          St Marks PS, Hillarys
- Mon 17 Aug        Beaconsfield PS, Beaconsfield
- Wed 19 Aug        John Wollaston ACS, Westfield

All sessions:  $15 includes a meal.
6.30 – 9.30pm

Travel Series: Laos

How can the ‘most bombed country on earth’ also be the most peaceful and most relaxed?
Join Stephen Hyde and Greg Harper for a visual feast of this beautiful, rarely-visited country.

This series aims at encouraging teachers to consider a vacation in Asia. If you’re interested in travel to safe, exotic destinations with magnificent scenery, the mysterious Plain of Jars and strong Buddhist traditions, Laos may be for you. The excellent cheap food and coffee is just a bonus!

Travel Series: Laos

- Tues 11 Aug      The Stage Door, Mandurah
- Wed 12 Aug      Thai D’Lish, Palmyra

Both sessions:  $20 includes a meal.
6.30 – 9.30pm

Registrations

Registrations for any of the above sessions can be made by emailing Jo (see last page):
Jo.Sciano@det.wa.edu.au
or better still by faxing Jo on 9314 1490

Emailing or faxing, please remember to include the date and venue of your PD booking and your school fax number.
PD Registration for Access Asia

ALL registrations for workshops should be made on this form.

Multiple registrations of different sessions will require multiple forms.
Multiple registrations for a single session are okay.

FROM THE ABSTRACTS, PLEASE ENSURE YOU SEND YOUR REGISTRATION TO THE CORRECT ORGANISOR

Either copy and fax 9314 1490 OR save and email back as an attachment to Jo.Sciano@det.wa.edu.au

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A reminder / Tax invoice will be faxed or emailed to the first named person listed at least a day or so before the event.

Payment at the door by cash or cheque. School cheques any time within reason. 
Always assume you are booked in:
We make immediate contact if a session is booked out.

Certificates issued at all PD and workshops.