



## OUR KEYNOTE SPEAKER

**Professor Bill Lucas** is an international adviser to the Mitchell Institute. Director of the Centre for Real-World Learning (CRL) at the University of Winchester, Bill is internationally regarded for his expertise and research in rethinking the purposes of schooling, parental engagement and pedagogy.

Most recently, Bill's research into the assessment of creativity in schools has led to the development of an acclaimed five-dimensional model and field trials of it in schools in England which was published by OECD as an influential Working Paper. This work is now being used as the basis of an international scaling up prototype in eight countries including China, USA, England and Finland.

Bill has authored and co-authored over 40 books, and is known internationally as a speaker. In addition to his work with CRL, Bill is the co-creator of one of the biggest teacher researcher groups in the world: the Expansive Education Network.

While CEO of the UK's Campaign for Learning, he created a number of initiatives to develop family learning and has subsequently brought together the research into parental engagement in 'Engaging parents: why and how'. His recent book, written with Guy Claxton, 'Educating Ruby: what our children really need to learn', asks challenging questions about the kinds of capabilities schools should be cultivating, suggesting new ways of working for teachers and parents.



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Well done to all involved"*

*"You always seem to have your finger on the pulse  
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topics!! Thank you."*

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## 2016 CONFERENCE

Pullman Melbourne on the Park  
East Melbourne  
OCTOBER 12-13 2016

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## Day 1 Wednesday 12th October

- 9.00 Registration and Morning tea
- 9.30 **Welcome** including a message from Minister for Education James Merlino
- 9.45 **Capable parents, capable teachers, capable children: rethinking the relationship between teachers and parents and the role of schools today** - Keynote Speaker – Bill Lucas
- 10.30 **From Student Voice to Student Empowerment** – Peter Hutton – Templestowe College
- 11.00 **Fostering community strength at your school:** An introduction into Connecting Community Cultures morning teas and Parent Club – Irene Brown and Leilani Landeryou - Preston PS
- 11.30 **BVPS Parent Ambassadors - New possibilities for family engagement in schools** – Nicole Blyth and Parent Ambassadors - Broadmeadows Valley PS
- 11.50 **Parents as Partners** – Darryl Diment – Ocean Grove PS
- 12.15 Lunch**
- 1.15 **Meaningful Engagement: A student's perspective** - Spencer Davis, Campbell McGown, Ryan Wijaya - VicSRC
- 1.45 **Workshop** – What's great (or not so great) at your school and how together we can make schools even better
- 3.15 Afternoon tea**
- 3.30 Workshop continued
- 5.00 Close Day 1**

## Day 2 Thursday 13th October

- 9.00 Registration and Morning tea
- 9.30 **Welcome**
- 9.35 **Complaint resolution update** - DET
- 10.00 **A new way of fundraising for your school** – Beth Gibbins - Australian Schools Plus
- 10.30 **Minecraft - Digging Around for Deeper Learning Opportunities** – Trent Ray - Microsoft Teacher Ambassador
- 11.15 **AGM and Presentation of inaugural Joan Kirner Award**
- 12.00 Lunch and also Life Members Birthday Lunch**
- 1.00 **STEM in real life context** – Weeroona College Bendigo
- 1.30 **Students Leading Change** - Winters Flat PS – Sustainability Program
- 2.00 **SSR from a Parents Perspective** – Sharon Sartori - State Schools' Relief
- 2.30 Afternoon tea**
- 2.45 **Supporting Sexual Diversity and Gender Diversity in Schools** – Safe Schools Do Better – Roz Ward – Safe Schools Coalition Victoria
- 3.45 Conference Wind up
- 4.00 Close Day 2**

### 6.30 for 7.00

**Belated 90th Birthday dinner**  
**Venue: Pullman Melbourne on the Park**  
**Special Guest Minister for Education James Merlino**  
**Guest Speakers** – Romy Turner and Hollie Smith – 21cP



### Conference Venue – Pullman Melbourne on the Park 192 Wellington Parade, East Melbourne

Limited parking at a discounted self-park rate of \$30.00 per vehicle, per day is available to event attendees at the venue.

**Train** – Directly opposite Jolimont Station

**Tram** – Take Route 75 tram from Flinders St. Get off at stop 11.

### Registration (All prices are GST inclusive).

		PV Members	Non-Members
<input type="checkbox"/>	Day 1 12th October	\$75	\$130
<input type="checkbox"/>	Day 2 13th October	\$75	\$130
<input type="checkbox"/>	Day 1 & 2	\$130	\$240
<input type="checkbox"/>	Dinner – 12th October (note: drinks at own expense)	\$79	\$99

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Parents Victoria encourages early registration for this outstanding opportunity as numbers are limited. Non-member schools wishing to attend should consider membership. Benefits include information and assistance for parents & parent clubs as well as greatly subsidised rates for conference. For details [www.parentsvictoria.asn.au](http://www.parentsvictoria.asn.au) or email [office@parentsvictoria.asn.au](mailto:office@parentsvictoria.asn.au)

