Digital Learning News

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Hi everyone and welcome back to term 3. Thanks to everyone who has visited the blog, if you have any suggestions or additions please let me know.

Blog Posts

Learning in one of the World's Biggest Classrooms – ISTE13! – Anne Mirtschin is our guest blogger. Read about her time at the ISTE conference, links to presentations, trending tools and apps.

Did you know that communicating with friends and family using email is of less interest to both boys (9%) and girls (15%) compared to social networking? This and other interesting stats were found in the ABS Census@School 2012 Questionnaire, you can find out more at ABS Education News or the Digital Learning News.

Professional Learning

Check out our Professional Learning page – it has heaps of information, links to PD providers and details about virtual conference sessions. Virtual conferencing provides easy access to professional learning from your home or school while building up your professional learning community and most are free for Victorian teachers. If you run PD and would like your event to be included email me the details and I will put in on.

ICT Leadership for Digital Learning (please pass onto interested principals)

ICTEV is proud to invite Principals to participate in an ICT leadership event, specifically designed for a primary and secondary principal audience. The day will feature a masterclass with internationally acclaimed author, keynote speaker, consultant and educational leadership coach Dr Trinidad Hunt who'll join us all the way from Hawaii. Trinidad is a passionate and interactive presenter for maximising opportunities and building leadership capacity. Attendees will also hear from Wayne Craig on ICT leadership as well as from other Victorian principals about their experiences and strategies as ICT leaders for digital learning. More details and registration.

Curriculum based webinars

- MAV and DEECD Mathematica sessions - for secondary teachers delivered via Polycom throughout terms 3&4. Mathematica is available on the Secondary eduSTAR image.
- Virtual Geek Week – heaps of online sessions for National Science Week 5-23 August
- True Crime with Mark Tedeschi QC – 8 August 11am – 12pm.   A unique opportunity to talk directly with Senior Crown Prosecutor Mark Tedeschi about notorious cases and his intriguing new book Eugenia: a true story of adversity, tragedy, crime and courage (Simon & Schuster, 2012). Limited free places DEECD schools. Years 7-12
- Shooting Around Corners with Mark Tedeschi QC - 8 August 2pm – 2:45pm. Mr Tedeschi is a well-known Senior Crown Prosecutor and award winning photographer. He will walk students through the inspiration and technique behind the photographs in his book 'Shooting around Corners' (Beagle Press, 2012). Each participating class will be asked to submit one or two original photographs for encouragement and constructive critique.

Students will be able to speak with Mark directly and also interact in real time during the session via an online forum. Limited Free places for DEECD schools. Years 7-12 Visual Arts, Photographic and Digital Media

Regular webinars

- [Community Connect Webinar](#) - Thursdays 8pm
- [Techy Tuesday Webinar](#)–Tuesdays 4pm
- [Thursdays with ICTEV Webinar](#) - Second Thursday of each month – 8pm

Looking for something to do this weekend? [TeachMeet@Xavier College](#) – 3-5pm, a free session hosted by teachers for teachers

My Story My Content – short film competition for students

The [My Story My Content](#) short film competition is an opportunity for Australian students at all levels to tell a unique story in a short film (no longer than sixty seconds) about themselves, their creativity, and why that is worth protecting. It is an initiative of the Intellectual Property Awareness Foundation (IPAF) and Australian Teachers of Media (ATOM).

How do you access blogs?

Here is a snapshot from the google analytics showing what browsers were used to access the digital learning blog – IE still the most popular browser.

Please pass this onto anyone you think may be interested. Also please let me know if anyone wishes to be added to the distribution list.

	Browser	%
1.	Internet Explorer	31.25%
2.	Chrome	25.00%
3.	Safari	20.00%
4.	Safari (in-app)	14.37%
5.	Firefox	6.88%
6.	Android Browser	0.62%
7.	eb-iphone	0.62%
8.	IE with Chrome Frame	0.62%
9.	Opera	0.62%