



SLAV MASTERCLASS SERIES 2021

Media Literacy & Critical Thinking

Thursday November 4

ONLINE

10am to 12 Noon

This masterclass will engage with how we assist students to think critically about information, how it is created and consumed and conveyed. How do we help our students be media literate? How do we support them to be knowledgeable, reflective consumers, researchers, and creators? We will consider best practice examples and resources that explore how we engage and educate our school communities.

Speakers

Media Literacy

Annabel Astbury is Head, Digital Education at the ABC and is working with a great team to deliver ABC Splash. She used to be a classroom teacher and has worked closely with students, teachers, government and cultural institutions over the past years promoting history education and learning with 'digital' technologies in her role as Executive Director at the History Teachers' Association of Victoria.

Learning Legacy: Equipping senior students for life and further education

Penny Roberts and Bridget Forster

Strathcona is committed to teaching its students how to become discerning consumers of information. This session will explore elements of the school's Learning Legacy program - which explicitly teaches skills in information literacy, study and research - with a particular emphasis on misinformation and fact checking.

Penny Roberts is Director of Library and Research at Strathcona Girls Grammar School and

Bridget Forster is a Teacher Librarian at Strathcona Girls Grammar School.

The Keys to Success program **Holly Godfree and Lori Korodaj**

The world of employment is changing, and employers are looking for employees with more "generic" 21st Century skills like critical thinking. In response to this and in the context of high levels of misinformation, schools are increasingly focussing on the General Capabilities, a teacher librarian's bread and butter. However, declining numbers of teacher librarians in P-10 schools mean that many students are not mastering these skills before they come to Year 11. Teacher librarians at Lake Tuggeranong College created the *Keys to Success* program to fill these gaps.

This session will be useful to secondary school practitioners looking to fill the gaps for their students and for primary school practitioners with an eye on transitions who want their students to avoid those gaps in the first place.

Holly Godfree coordinates the *Students Need School Libraries* campaign, striving to ensure that every student has access to a dynamic, well-resourced school library run by qualified library staff. She currently works as a teacher librarian at Lake Tuggeranong College in Canberra and as a sessional marker for teacher librarian students at Charles Sturt University. In 2019, Holly was named the ASLA Australian Teacher Librarian of the Year.

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Lori Korodaj is a teacher librarian with almost 30 years' experience in Australia and overseas, in school (K-12) and public libraries. Lori is currently working as a teacher librarian at Lake Tuggeranong College, ACT (Years 11-12) and as an Adjunct Lecturer in the School of Information Studies at Charles Sturt University. Professional passions: providing professional learning to colleagues, advocacy for the importance of teacher librarians in schools, and mentoring up and coming teacher librarians.

School newsrooms: more than a lesson in journalism **Dhana Quinn**

Dhana Quinn, who co-wrote *Kid Reporter: the secret to breaking news*, argues producing a school newspaper (or podcast) is not merely a vehicle to churn out future journalists. Rather, it's a dynamic platform with many opportunities for learning. In this masterclass, Dhana will discuss how school newsrooms can boost students' media literacy skills through assessing and producing information in the form of a news story, picture or product. She will also outline how students can develop emotional and social skills, learn practical life-long skills like time-management and teamwork, gain an insight into what it means to be an active and informed citizen, and have a meaningful platform for expression.

Dhana Quinn has worked as a radio, television and print journalist for *The Age*, *Crinkling News* and the ABC. She was also a presenter on the ABC's education program *Behind the News*. She has a master's degree in international and community development and qualifications in editing and English language teaching. She co-wrote *Kid Reporter* with Saffron Howden who founded and edited Australia's only national newspaper for young people, *Crinkling News*.

Padlet

A padlet of resources will be created by speakers and participants for this event. The link will be communicated in emails to participants.

Registration

Please go to:

<https://slav.wildapricot.org/event-4509035>

SLAV Members: \$80.00

Non- Members: \$120.00

Includes all resources and recording of the session
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