

The Gifted & Talented Children's Association of SA invites you to workshops on:



Counselling Gifted Students and Philosophy for Children: what use is it to gifted students?

Session 1: Counselling Gifted Students

Teachers and parents of academically gifted students know that these children have unique social and emotional needs. When these needs are not met, there is a mismatch between school and student. Often, the school counsellor is the person deemed most suitable to deal with this mismatch. But how much knowledge about giftedness do most school counsellors actually have? This lecture will present the latest research from the U.S.A. and will raise the question "Are gifted students any better served in Australia?"

Session 2: Philosophy for Children, what use is it to gifted students?

Very few academically gifted students are able to work in a homogenous class of similar-ability students. Indeed, the majority of gifted students in South Australia work and study in heterogeneous classes. Philosophy in Schools has long been recommended as a strategy which will be of benefit to gifted students in either heterogeneous or homogenous classes. Renzulli said that "a rising tide lifts all boats". Does Philosophy in Schools assist in raising thinking standards in classes and what benefits does it bring to gifted students?

Presenter: Wendy Stewart was President of GTCASA for eight and a half years. She has worked continuously in Gifted Education for twenty years, being one of the longest serving teachers "at the Gifted Education chalkface" in South Australia. Wendy is currently a Learning Support Teacher – Gifted Focus, at Pulteney Grammar School. She holds a Masters in Gifted Education and has presented at national and international conferences on gifted education. In June she will present a workshop on Philosophy in Schools at the 2015 International Conference on Thinking (ICOT) to be held in Bilbao, Spain.

Location: Pulteney Grammar School, Senior Learning Centre
Osmond Street, Adelaide
(parking available in Gilles Street or Halifax Street)

Date: Tuesday 23rd June, 2015

Time: 7.00pm—9:00pm

Cost: GTCASA members \$15, non members \$30

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