



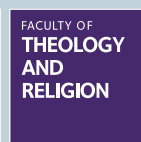
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The Symposium for Gifted Education

Thursday 27th July 2023
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Scotch College
1 Morrison Street
Hawthorn VIC 3122



Programme

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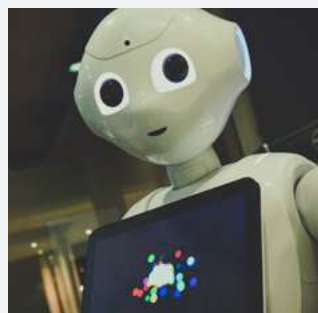
The Melbourne Symposium for Gifted Education will be held at Scotch College. Teachers responsible for more able learners will join for an exclusive Symposium curated by experienced gifted Educator, Julie Arliss. This day is crafted with special attention to the ongoing work of universities, such as the University of Oxford, where joined up thinking is truly valued as a tool for the discovery of new ideas. Generous time for sharing and showcasing VIC expertise. \$95 including light refreshments.

9:30	The Battle against one's own Stupidity. Julie Arliss	What is a gifted child and what is the nature of our concern for him or her? Is testing for giftedness enough and what is it about the best teachers that encourages them to thrive and prepare them for the 'long littleness' of 'life'.
10:30	Morning Tea	
11:00	Can Teachers be Replaced by Robots? Andrew Pinsent	<p>It is increasingly difficult to recruit teachers to the profession and computers are far quicker, more accurate and cheaper than any human being. So, are digital learning and <i>robo-teachers</i> the future for education? This session will outline the role and nature of knowledge and help teachers explore the concepts, theories, models and techniques that underpin big questions in science as well as the complexity of knowledge and understanding.</p> <p>For discussion, Einstein's claim that, 'The intuitive mind is a sacred gift and the rational mind is a faithful servant. We have created a society that honours the servant and has forgotten the gift.'</p>
11:45	Swap Meet – sharing of ideas and networking.	Delegate opportunity to share expertise with members of the GATE community in VIC and build better together. Come ready to share your favourite approach or resource. Please contact us if you would like a 5-10 minute opportunity to showcase.
12:30	Lunch	
13:30	Logic, the Gifted Student's Edge : Logic and alternative facts. Julie Arliss	It is more important than ever to be able to equip gifted students with the tools they need to discern fact from fiction. This multi-media lecture will resource teachers with an overview of classical ideas of truth and logic and the role of contemporary social media in re-shaping these ideas. The session will consider some of the best ways to show gifted students how logic functions, looking particularly at deduction, induction and abduction, as well as the place of logic in post-modern reasoning.



Booking your place

Attendance to this event has a fixed fee of \$95, including light refreshments. Bookings are taken online at www.thrivingminds.org/conferences/gate-training Please note that bookings are not confirmed until payment is received.



Speaker



Julie Arliss

Julie Arliss is Director and Founder of Thriving Minds, a branch of Academy Conferences, which runs events for More Able and Ambitious learners as well as teachers and headteachers. She has thirty years of experience as a teacher, is a former Cambridge CIE examiner, and a Farmington Scholar at Harris Manchester University of Oxford.



Dr. Andrew Pinsent

Dr. Andrew Pinsent is Research Director of the Ian Ramsey Centre for Science and Religion, Faculty of Theology and Religion, University of Oxford. Formerly a particle physicist at CERN, he is now a philosopher and theologian dedicated to fostering research, teaching and public engagement with big ideas.



**Excellence is not an act
but a habit.**

Aristotle

**Most people would
sooner die than think.
In fact, they do.**

Bertrand Russell



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