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**Department of Education and
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2017 Principals as Literacy Leaders PALL Program

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Engage your school community in a proven, quality literacy acquisition program.

Dear Principal Class

The Victorian Principals Association in conjunction with the Department of Education & Early Childhood Development is pleased to offer primary principals the opportunity to be involved in one of the two '**Principals as Literacy Leaders**' programs offered in 2017.

The '**Principals as Literacy Leaders**' (PALL) program was developed by the Australian Primary Principals Association (APPA) in 2009 (<http://www.appa.asn.au/index.php/projects/principals-as-literacy-leaders>) and is based on research findings that demonstrate successful schools are those where the Principal is a leader in teaching and learning. The PALL program results in significant improvements in principal and teacher knowledge of the reading process and how to teach it. In a relatively short time frame, student achievement also shows improvements in a range of literacy areas. External evaluator, Emeritus Professor John MacBeath, University of Cambridge, commented:

"This is a highly impressive piece of work offering demonstrable benefits to principals, teachers, support staff and to students. This study is not only impressive in its reach and rigour but has a great deal to say to school leaders and teachers about the art of the possible."

Comments from past participants in the VPA PALL programs:

- **An amazing program. I cannot speak highly enough of the quality of the presenters, handouts and content.**
- **All sessions were thought provoking and opened up much conversation and future direction for our school.**
- **One of the best PD's I have been involved in over my 30+ teaching career.**

Presenters:



Professor Tony Townsend – Griffith University and the University of Tasmania: **Tony Townsend** has been President of the International Congress for School Effectiveness and Improvement and President of the International Council on Education for Teaching. He has been the Australian Council for Educational Leaders' Travelling Scholar, has managed 5 major international conferences, and presented or consulted in over 60 countries for Ministries and Departments of Education. He has published 11 books and numerous articles, chapters, and papers, in the areas of school effectiveness, school improvement, leadership, teacher education, and community education and development, in Australia, Europe and North America.



Anne Bayetto – Flinders University:

Prior to working at Flinders University Anne had been a mainstream, special class and adaptive education teacher and a district-wide disability support coordinator. She regularly offers professional learning sessions to all education sectors across Australia.

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The program will be delivered in **5 modules** with **ongoing support and 10 hours of coaching provided throughout the year.**

Cost: \$590 (inc GST) for VPA members, \$710 (inc GST) for non members, includes catering, venue, resources, presenters & coaches.

Limited places available to principals, principal class team members, acting principals.

Program Details & Dates:

Program One

Melbourne – Victorian Principals Association Office Vale Street, North Melbourne

DATE:	MODULE	PRESENTER
Tues. 21 Feb	Module 1: Leadership for Literacy Learning Blue Print	Professor Tony Townsend
Wed. 22 Feb	Module 2: What Leaders Need to Know about Learning to Read	Anne Bayetto
Fri. 28 April	Module 3: Leading Literacy data Gathering and Analysis	Professor Tony Townsend/Anne Bayetto
Wed. 9 Aug	Module 4: Designing, Implementing & Monitoring Literacy Interventions	Anne Bayetto/ Professor Tony Townsend
Tues 31 Oct	Module 5: Evaluating of Intervention & Future Planning	Professor Tony Townsend/ Anne Bayetto

Program Two

Melbourne – Victorian Principals Association Office Vale Street, North Melbourne

DATE:	MODULE	PRESENTER
Thurs. 23 Feb	Module 1: Leadership for Literacy Learning Blue Print	Professor Tony Townsend
Fri. 24 Feb	Module 2: What Leaders Need to Know about Learning to Read	Anne Bayetto
Wed. 3 May	Module 3: Leading Literacy data Gathering and Analysis	Prof. Tony Townsend/ Anne Bayetto
Tues. 8 Aug	Module 4: Designing, Implementing & Monitoring Literacy Interventions	Anne Bayetto/ Prof. Tony Townsend
Wed. 1 Nov	Module 5: Evaluating of Intervention & Future Planning	Prof. Tony Townsend /Anne Bayetto

Outline of the PALL Program

Purpose:

The purpose of PALL is to improve the literacy achievement of students through developing the capabilities of primary school principal class as effective literacy leaders.

Objectives:

1. To examine school and system data for the purpose of evaluating performance and developing plans and strategies for improvement and sustainability of high levels of literacy achievement;
2. To lead the design and implementation of literacy improvement in participants' schools;
3. To build a professional learning community for improving literacy in participants' schools;
4. To contribute to literacy development from a system perspective.

Program Implementation:

The program is delivered by a combination of professional learning module workshops with follow up activities after each workshop. The follow up activities are undertaken by the principals with their communities supported by designated coaches.

At the conclusion of the program your school should have developed a literacy intervention plan that aligns with your school strategic plan and AIP.

Regards,

Gabrielle Leigh

President, Victorian Principals Association