

# School Tour

An exciting opportunity for Primary Assistant Principals and other School Leaders



The tour will be facilitated by Glenn Payne, VPA Member Advisor and former Principal.

The VPA is offering a half day tour for 12 participants to visit Mackellar Primary School in Delahey to hear from the Principal, Matt Borg and other staff about their school.

The visit will focus on:

The **HIVE** *a learning colony thriving in collaboration*

A bee hive is a social structure in which bees work and thrive in collaboration. Beehives have recognisable patterns that bees have developed over generations of 'good practice'.

"The Hive" concept is built on the development of a school-based STEM / Maker Space which is scalable and can be replicated within, between and across schools.

The HIVE @ Mackellar is more than a STEM/STEAM Makerspace, the HIVE is a space where the Curriculum Merges into one, a space where learner engagement is at its peak and work is infused by four main Vic Curriculum areas: Digital Tech, Design and Tech and critical and creative thinking. The HIVE is a space where collaboration and innovation is taught, nurtured and expected.

The Hive is a STEM/Maker Space to enable learners to explore the possibilities of the Digi Tech and Design Tech curriculum facilitated by expert teaching and coaching. Empowering learners to take Hive learnings back into their classrooms and continue the work.

## Communities of Practice

Through the Hive model we have established a **networked and connected learning community** where we can share learnings and resources through collaborating with schools who are at different stages in developing their own Hive and STEM/Digi Tech initiatives. We now have a partner HIVE school, Sunbury Primary School who has been successful in developing their own HIVE.

## Date

Friday 25 May

## Time

9.15am to 12.30pm

## Location

Mackellar Primary School

29-35 Goldsmith Avenue

DELAHEY

## Cost

Members \$20.00 (incl. GST)

Non-members \$25.00 (incl. GST)

To book please complete the Registration Form.

Morning tea and a light lunch will be provided.



Victorian Principals Association

## Tax Invoice - ABN 53 483 039 713

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New **VPA** member within the last six months

Name/s: .....

Position:  Principal  Assistant Principal  Leading Teacher

School: .....

Contact Ph. No: ..... Email:.....

Dietary requirements.....

**EFT payments to Commonwealth Bank:**  
**Creditor Name: VPA BSB: 063 238 Account No: 10021838**  
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**Credit Card:**  Visa  MasterCard **Type of Card**  Personal  School

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Expiry date

**Please ensure that a copy of the registration form is sent to your Finance area to generate the payment. The form is also to be emailed to [soconnor@vpa.org.au](mailto:soconnor@vpa.org.au)**

Please RSVP to Sue O'Connor at [soconnor@vpa.org.au](mailto:soconnor@vpa.org.au) by Friday 18 May

**A confirmation of your registration will be sent via email.**

Cancellation of attendance is required 7 days prior to workshop for reimbursement.

**Numbers are limited to 12 for effective group interaction.**