

## **AFMLTA**

## Australian Federation of Modern Language Teachers Associations

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### News In Brief – September 2017

The AFMLTA provides vision, leadership, representation, advocacy and support for quality teaching and learning of languages.

In this edition of News In Brief we provide a snapshot of some of the recent work of the association.



#### **PROFESSIONAL LEARNING**

The Ready, Set, Assess! Professional Learning program will be delivered in Perth, Darwin and Alice Springs in Semester 2, 2017. Workshops in other capital cities will be scheduled for early 2018. Dates and locations for 2018 workshops will be advertised through News In Brief and via the AFMLTA website.

This is an opportunity for teachers across the country to engage with the suite of Professional Learning resources developed by the AFMLTA to support teachers of Languages in implementing Australian Curriculum: Languages and the relevant state/territory curricula. The focus of Ready? Set? Assess! is on engaging with quality assessment practices and analysing a range of assessment tasks and student work samples.

#### SCHEDULE:

14 OctoberDarwin, NT27-28 OctoberPerth, WA17 NovemberAlice Springs, NT

#### PRICE:

1 day workshop + webinar \$185 MLTA member/ \$225 non-member 2 day workshop + webinar \$295 MLTA member/ \$350 non-member **REGISTRATION:** 

Go to the <u>AFMLTA website</u> for further details and to register online for the Darwin, Perth and Alice Springs workshops.

#### **AFMLTA Webinar Series**

In response to requests from members, the AFMLTA has initiated a FREE Webinar series to provide Languages teachers with online Professional Learning opportunities each term.

The next webinar, will be presented by Anne-Marie Morgan 'Teaching languages in rural and remote contexts'

Tuesday 14 November, 7.00pm-7.45pm AEDT

A recording of the webinar presented by Nathan Harvey 'Making global connections local: A case study from WA' is now available online. For more details on how to participate in the next webinar live online or to access the recordings, go to the AFMLTA website

#### **BABEL JOURNAL**

Issue 52.1 of Babel will soon be distributed to all 2017 MLTA members. Teachers and academics engaged in research in the field of languages education are invited to contact the <u>Babel editor</u> about possible publication of a paper in the AFMLTA journal.

#### #AFMLTA2019 - Save the Date

The 22nd AFMLTA International Languages Conference will be held in Hobart, Tasmania - July 2019.

# Languages and Cultures Network of Australian Universities (LCNAU)2017 Colloquium

The Languages and Cultures Network of Australian Universities Colloquium "Intersections: Collaboration and the Future for Languages and Cultures" will be held at the University of Adelaide 27-29 November 2017 and will be immediately followed by the Adelaide Language Festival.

#### MLTANSW and MLTAV celebrate in 2017

1947 marked the establishment of the MLTAV and 1957 saw the establishment of MLTANSW so both organisations are celebrating key milestones in 2017.

MLTAV celebrated their 70th anniversary with a dinner following their annual conference in May and MLTANSW will celebrate their 60th anniversary with a cocktail event in October.

The AFMLTA would like to congratulate both organisations on their long term dedication and commitment to supporting the teaching of Languages in their states.

## Professional Standards for Accomplished Teaching of Languages and Cultures - Language specific resources available

The AFMLTA has developed a range of resources which align the AITSL Teacher Standards with the Professional Standards for Accomplished Teaching of Languages and Cultures. These are available FREE from the <u>AFMLTA website</u> and are a valuable resource for teachers in reflecting on practice and planning for ongoing improvement.

#### **ADVOCACY**

AFMLTA is committed to supporting to teachers in advocating for quality teaching and learning of Languages.

The <u>AFMLTA website</u> has links to a range of resources to support this advocacy work with school leadership, school communities and students. If you have additional resources which could be added, please email them to info@afmlta.asn.au

#### **MEMBERSHIP**

To enjoy the benefits of AFMLTA membership, join one of our member MLTAs in your state or territory. See MLTA contacts on the bottom of the AFMLTA home page.

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