

National Nature Pedagogy Conference



Upper Sturt Bush Primary School

Tracks into Nature

10th and 11th March 2017 in VIC

We invite you to join us for this exciting event with inspirational local and international speakers exploring diverse and innovative nature experiences for primary school and early childhood age children.

Keynote speakers are experienced school principals and educators working with children daily. Workshops are fun, practical, informative, inspiring and mostly in nature.

AIMS

To share the diverse nature-based practice in Australia and internationally.

To gain the knowledge and confidence and create a nature based philosophy unique to your community.

When: 10th & 11th March 2017

Where: Lilydale Lakeside Campus, Jarlo Drive, Lilydale, VIC

Beautiful natural environment, short walking distance from the train station. Door to door transport option from Melbourne airport. Accommodation, brand new, available on site.

Easy Payment Plans

10% Group discount
4 or more from same centre



Wide range of quality PD opportunities in one space

For more information: visit our [website](#) or e-mail [Niki](#)

Keynote Speakers



Erin K. Kenny, Director, Cedarsong Nature School, USA. Internationally recognized as a leader in the Forest Kindergarten movement, has been developing programs to connect children with nature for over twenty years, co-founded Cedarsong Nature School in 2007 and developed the first U.S. Forest Kindergarten based on the German waldkindergarten early childhood education model.



John Marsden – author, founder and principal of Candlebark School and Alice Miller School, VIC, Australia. Passionate interest in education led him to start his own P-10 school, Candlebark, on a vast forested estate near Romsey Victoria. The school's motto is "take risks", and every day students are to be found riding bikes and skateboards, climbing trees, rolling down hills and playing stick wars.



Luke Addison, Early Years Professional, Riverside Cottage Nursery, 'Free Range Kids', Scotland. Passionate about outdoor and natural learning environments, children are rights-bearing, social actors and equals with the adults. Progressive pedagogical development, where children can flourish into critical, global citizens through child-led, play-based, risk-rich environment. Award winning, cited in the press and national policy documents as an example of best practice.



Barb Jones, Principal, Upper Sturt Primary School - Bush School, SA, Australia Bush School – where nature, play, learning and children connect with one another. An innovative approach to learning was born out of the belief that children are given very little opportunity to be children in the school setting, a time when anxiety and depression are overshadowing their young lives. An exciting story – not without its challenges, adventures and wonders but Bush School is definitely worthwhile.



Niki Buchan, International Educational Consultant, Nature Pedagogue, Natural Learning. A qualified Forest School leader, she helped develop forest Nature Kindergartens in Scotland and was head of these until she was offered a position in Australia. She is recognized as one of the most experienced nature pedagogues, promoting natural learning and supporting others in creating and developing their own nature-based practice models.

PROGRAM

MASTERCLASS - Optional extra. Thursday 9th March 2017, 1pm – 5pm

Friday 10th March 2017, 9am - 4.30pm

Welcome, Smoking Ceremony, morning Keynote speeches and afternoon workshops

OPTIONAL EXTRA!! Friday BBQ Dinner and Discussion 6.30pm - 9.30pm

Saturday 11th March 2017, 9am – 3.30pm

Morning Keynote speeches and afternoon workshops

See the full program on our [website](#)

CONFIRMED WORKSHOPS

Barb Jones and John Marsden present *'Nature, Play and Learning, Not Only for the Early Years'*

Noel Jensen presents *'Loose Parts - Natural Tracks into Curriculum'*

Geira Jen McCormack presents *'Ecological Storytelling'*

Bron Cron presents *'STEM Detectives in Nature'*

Ky Curran presents *'Clay in the Curriculum - OLE – (Outdoor Learning Environment)'*

Rachel Buckley, Elodie Gidou and Annabel Brown present *'8 Ways of Learning: incorporating Aboriginal pedagogy into nature-based early childhood education'*

Lee Munn presents *'Nature Connect- Reflection in action. Using reflective practices to enact change and steam ahead.'*

Nell Ward presents *'Making Learning Visible'*

[More information](#)



VENUE

Lilydale Lakeside Campus, Jarlo Drive, Lilydale, VIC.

TRAVEL

[map](#) and directions for public transport and own car

Airport Bus Eastside, cost approx \$50, [more](#)
Airport Bus Door to door, cost approx \$70, [more](#)
[Contact us](#) with your arrival and departure times if you would like support with travel arrangements.

**A brand new venue! Plenty of free parking
10 minutes walk from the Lilydale train station and
the supermarkets**

ACCOMMODATION ON SITE!

This amazing venue also offers excellent, brand new spacious accommodation!!

16 units - each with 4 bedrooms with own private ensuite. A shared lounge and kitchen per unit. Come in a group! Book early!

Costs:

·\$90.00 per night room alone

·\$110.00 per night including buffet breakfast

For enquiries and booking email Laura Nicola conferencing.lilydale@boxhill.edu.au

We acknowledge the Aboriginal people
as the traditional custodians of the lands we are working upon.

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Registration National Pedagogy in Nature Conference

Payment plans, group and student discounts are available.
 Please contact [Jane](#) to arrange a simple plan that suits you.

Delegate Name	Phone number
Contact E-mail	
Name and address of Service	
Additional Requirements Dietary/Physical/Language/Literacy/Cultural/Other	

Please indicate events you wish to attend

EVENT	Price Includes GST	Full time Student prices Includes GST
National Pedagogy in Nature 2 day Conference 10 th and 11 th March	\$585	\$525
National Pedagogy in Nature 1 day Conference 10 th March	\$295	\$255
National Pedagogy in Nature 1 day conference 11 th March	\$295	\$255
Master Class: 9 th March "Forest Kindergartens: The Cedarsong Way" with Erin Kenny and Robin Rogers	\$200	No concession
Master Class Optional extra: The Cedarsong Forest Kindergarten Teacher Training packet	\$160	No concession
Friday night BBQ dinner and discussion	\$95	No concession
TOTAL DUE		

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