

AFMLTA

Australian Federation of Modern Language Teachers Associations

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News In Brief - July 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.



#AFMLTA2017

Over 320 delegates from across Australia, Canada, Finland, Japan, New Zealand and the USA enjoyed an engaging and stimulating Professional Learning opportunity at the 21st AFMLTA international Languages Conference. Conference papers will be made available here over coming weeks.

#AFMLTA2019

We are pleased to announce that the 22nd AFMLTA International Languages Conference will be held in Hobart, Tasmania - July 2019.

NZALT 2018 Conference
Exploring Other Worlds through Languages



The New Zealand Association of Language Teachers conference will be held in Auckland 8- 11 July, 2018.AFMLTA members are invited to attend at member rates. More details: http://nzalt2018.org.nz/

RECOGNITION OF SERVICE

The AFMLTA was pleased to be able to recognise the contributions of two of our colleagues at the AFMLTA Conference Dinner. The AFMLTA Certificate of Merit was presented to Melissa Gould- Drakeley and the AFMLTA Medal for Outstanding Service to Language Teaching was presented to Jane Orton (PhD) in recognition of her exceptional and outstanding contributions to language teaching in Australia over an extended period.



More details are available here.

BABEL JOURNAL

Issue 51.2 of Babel was recently distributed to all 2016 and 2017 MLTA members. Issue 51.3 will be delivered in the coming weeks. Any teachers or academics engaged in research in the field of languages education are invited to contact the Babel <u>editor</u> about possible publication of a paper in the AFMLTA journal.

PROFESSIONAL LEARNING

The Ready, Set, Assess!
Professional Learning
program will be delivered
across Australia in semester
2, 2017. 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! will be on engaging with quality assessment practices and analysing a range of assessment tasks and student work samples.

PROGRAM:

Day 1: Ready? Set? Go! and Ready? Set? Plan! workshop (optional)

Day 2: Ready? Set? Assess!

Term 4: Language specific webinars for workshop participants to

engage in collegiate moderation conversations

More information and online registration will be available on the <u>AFMLTA website</u> once workshop details are confirmed.

AFMLTA EXECUTIVE

The AFMLTA executive and a member of each MLTA's executive meet annually in July to reflect on progress and plan strategically for the year ahead. We would like to thank Fulvia Valvasori for her many years of contributions to the AFMLTA executive and are pleased to be able to inform members of the newly elected AFMLTA executive team:

President: Anne-Marie Morgan President-Elect: Amanda Pentti Vice President: **Andrew Scrimgeour Sherryl Saunders** Secretary: Treasurer: Cynthia Dodd Babel Editor: Etsuko Toyoda Promotions Officer: Nathan Harvey Information Officer: **Kylie Farmer**

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