

MLTA ACT News – 2010

These news items are in reverse chronological order, with the most recent items at the top.

Local MLTA Conference for 2010 successful event, posted 7 November 2010

The MLTA Conference, held at ACU in Watson on the morning of Saturday 6 November, was highly successful. See the [MLTA conference page](#) for details.

The National professional standards for teachers, posted 7 November 2010

The national consultation on professional standards for teachers closed on Friday 5 November 2010. For more information, visit the [AITSL website](#).

Local MLTA Conference for 2010 update, posted 20 October 2010

Additional program details have been decided for the [MLTA Conference](#), which will be held at ACU on Saturday 6 November, with the theme "De-stressing Assessment". Follow the link for more information.

ACT Bilingual Education Alliance launches its website, posted 20 October 2010

Visit <http://actbilingual.weebly.com/> to see

- general information about bilingualism and its benefits,
- useful links for families raising children in more than one language as well as for teachers and other professionals working with multilingual families
- information about language programs for children in the Canberra area
- local events and news related to bilingualism

Local MLTA Conference for 2010, posted 8 September 2010

At the MLTA Executive meeting on Wednesday 8 September, plans were confirmed for this year's [MLTA Conference](#), which will be held at ACU on Saturday 6 November, with the theme "De-stressing Assessment".

National Conference in Canberra, posted 6 September 2010

Taking the opportunity to capitalise (pun intended) on the centenary celebrations, it has been decided that the AFMLTA Conference will be held in Canberra in 2013.

AFMLTA Facebook page, posted 13 September 2010

The AFMLTA now has a [Facebook page](#). Members are advised, however, that it is not possible to view the AFMLTA Facebook page (or indeed any facebook page) from workstations in government schools or ACT DET Central Office.

AITSL consultation on National Professional Standards for Teachers, posted 12 September 2010

The CEO (Margery Evans) of the Australian Institute for Teaching and School Leadership (AITSL) has issued [an invitation for teachers outside the schools previously targeted for online surveys to take part in "Study Two"](#), which will go online on 8 October. [The survey](#) will be open from 8 October to 29 October. Information on the standards is available on the [AITSL website](#).

Development of national languages curriculum, posted 6 September 2010

A presentation from the 2009 AFMLTA Assembly by ACARA representatives on the [development of the new national languages curriculum](#) is now available on the MLTA NSW website.

New edition of Contact, posted 6 September 2010

The latest [Contact, August 2010 edition](#), is now online.

Constitution change, posted/updated 31 May 2010

At the MLTA ACT General Meeting on Thursday 20 May 2010, members unanimously endorsed a change to the constitution to state that "The Annual General Meeting (AGM) shall be held each year in March and the members elected to the Council shall be deemed to take office immediately."

Prior to this, the AGM has been held in November and the new council members took office at the start of the following school year. This was problematical in that members who were not re-elected continued to represent the association until the start of the next year.

The timing of the AGM in November also presented difficulties for members whose ability to renew their memberships and to serve on council is dependent on their appointments for the following year, which in some cases is not known by November of the preceding year.

These issues were resolved by the resolution of the meeting on 20 May.