

## Leading sustainable libraries in uncertain times: facilitated by Wilma Kurvink

Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> September, 2017 – 8.30am to 3pm Good Shepherd Catholic School, Lockridge 215 Morley Drive, Kiara

#### **Overview**

- Understanding the dynamics of change
- How to lead and influence the team to high productivity
- Influencing and engaging with stakeholders

National surveys indicate that school libraries, indeed libraries in general, feel pressure to provide quality programs with diminishing resources, as staffing and resource budgets are shrinking. Technology provides us with opportunities to expand the role of the library, however finding a meaningful pathway into the future can be daunting.

Times of rapid change can put pressure on team dynamics, and call for flexible and resilient leadership and capable management. Managing small teams is demanding work, even in a one or two-person library, personal skills, relationship skills, and management skills are in big demand.

#### This professional development opportunity will provide you with

- Proven strategies for influencing
- How to develop partnerships- i.e. heads of department, school leaders and community
- How to bring the team with you on change initiatives

The workshop is both practical and interactive. Each participant will leave with a personal action plan related to the specific issues and context of their school and/or library.

#### Key questions for the day

- What are effective strategies to engage with Principals, or leadership teams in our setting?
- How do we sustain ourselves and our team in turbulent times?
- What role can the library play in meeting school or organisational goals and priorities?

#### Feedback from other workshops

- The mix of library theory/concept and practical experience makes it very powerful...
- ♦ It was very applicable for me currently and the personal experience made it very easy to focus and keep my interest. It made me want to find out more, and do more immediately!
- ♦ Very practical Very relevant to "now"- very dynamic- very thought provoking...
- Practical strategies and ideas, the time allowed for sharing of experiences to encourage, inspire, challenge!

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#### **Program**

8.30am Registration, Coffee and networking

9am Welcome and introduction

Key Note-Leading Sustainable Libraries in Uncertain Times

10 – 10.30am Morning Tea

10.30 – 12pm Session 1

Workshop A (Groups A and B) (1 ½ hours)

Practical Leadership – sustaining you and your team

Being strategic – making connections where it counts

Engaging the team – how and why

Identifying risks – identifying, mitigating, and learning

Practical problem solving with sample strategies

Workshop B (Group C) (45 mins to be swapped with Group D)

Ergonomics and Workplace Safety (Val Baird)

Workshop C (Group D) (45 mins to be swapped with Group C)

Wheelers ePlatform presentation

12 – 1pm Lunch (provided)

Trade show offered by sponsors

1 – 2.30pm Session 2

Workshop A with Wilma (Groups C and D) (1 ½ hours)

Repeated as above

Workshop B (Group A) (45 mins to be swapped with Group B)

Ergonomics and Workplace Safety (Val Baird)

Workshop C (Group B) (45 mins to be swapped with Group A)

Wheelers ePlatform presentation

2.30 – 3pm Concluding remarks, thanks and evaluation

#### Cost

\$55 WASLA Members

\$110 Non-members

\$33 Students

### **About the Facilitator - Wilma Kurvink**

Wilma is currently Head of Library Scotch College Melbourne.

Wilma brings expertise in change management and leadership to the field of school libraries. She has a Masters' Degree in Innovation and Service Management, and applies known research and evidence based practice to the school library setting. She is passionate about creating sustainable practice for team



school library setting. She is passionate about creating sustainable practice for teams and leaders, and draws on many years of experience to assist the workshop participants.

Wilma has presented at many professional forums including Action Learning & Action Research Association (ALARA) National Conference 2009, Libraries Australia Forum 2013, and Curriculum21's Virtual Global CMI 2014, and at Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development (ASCD) Conference in San Diego, California on the topic of *New Narratives for School Media Centres: Literacy, Technology, and Cultural Change*.

In 2016, she presented at the EDUTECH conference in Brisbane on sustainable change, and presented a key note and workshops at the NSWSLA and State Library of NSW Teaching and Learning conference, and for SLAV in May 2017.

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