

Looking to the New Year....

2009 will be a busy year for iNet Australia affiliates, with many opportunities for involvement in a range of activities.

As iNet is 'by schools, for schools' the range of activities being prepared for next year will truly meet the needs and interests of schools.

Some of the events being planned are:

- **iNet Australia National Conference March 30 to April 1** This will bring together school leaders from around Australia to hear world leaders in educational thought. Participants will workshop with local and international educators examining global issues on 'The Business of Learning.' This will be an exciting event! **Registration is open so don't miss the early bird fee!**



- **Raising Achievement, Transforming Learning (RATL)** This project continues to expand in several Australian states in 2009. This project offers a range of tools, resources and a mentored approach to increasing educational outcomes for all students.

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See the iNet Australia web site for program and application details

- **Leadership Programs** Two Young Leaders Programs will be offered in 2009 along with existing cohort of Young Leaders. 'Understanding Leadership' is open to all teachers with 2-4 years of experience. 'Practising Leadership' is for all teachers with 5 years or more teaching experience. Registrations are now open.

**2009...
Another
exciting iNet**

- **Learning Walks** will feature innovations and new schools. This is a structured approach to school visits, providing the opportunity to share ideas on new directions in education.

- **Study Tours** are designed as professional development opportunities for senior leaders in schools. In 2009 tours to England, China, Mauritius, Canada/USA and South Africa are planned.

- **Master Classes** presented by highly successful educational practitioners. iNet affiliated schools are invited to suggest topics for presentation in these classes which will offer both current content and provide interactive discussion forums.

- **Workshops and Seminars** Vital issues in the Personalising Learning agenda will continue to be examined and discussed in a series of seminars and workshops planned for 2009. Topics for school-based workshops could include Student Voice, Learning to Learn, and Assessment for Learning, in accordance with the needs of individual schools. In addition, iNet will offer workshops to examine the education of children with exceptional learning needs.

- **Video and On-line Conferences** a continuation of the program designed for the participation of both practicing teachers and students. These offer an opportunity to explore educational issues on an international level.

iNet will continue to provide members with publications on specific issues in education, as well as the newsletter, delivered on-line, to keep members abreast of 'news and views'.



**Wishing all
readers a happy
Christmas
and a restful
holiday**

Looking forward to 2009:

iNet is calling for applications for a full time position of Education Officer to commence early in 2009. The successful applicant will need have a minimum of eight years experience and hold a post graduate qualification. They will have experience in formal leadership roles, be available for national and international travel and be prepared to work the flexible hours required for this position. This role will be suitable for a senior teacher requiring a secondment to take up an exciting career option for an initial period of two years. This person will be based in the Melbourne office.

**Check the iNet Australia website:
www.ssat-inet.com.au
for all the latest iNet news and information and career opportunities with iNet in 2009**

On behalf of all at the iNet office I would like to say a special thank you to all the iNet affiliated schools in all states for your support of, and participation in, the range of iNet activities offered in 2008. In the coming year, iNet hopes to increase activities in all states and territories. The National Conference in Melbourne in March/April 2009 will be a great meeting place for all affiliated schools as we study the Business of Learning with a range of new faces offering their insights in expert conference presentations!

Warmest wishes for a very happy Festive Season and a personally and professionally successful new year!



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