

## OLSEL Sustainability Phase: OLSEL Leaders

### Event Overview

The Oral Language Supporting Early Literacy research initiative was initially developed to support the oral language competence of students in the early years and to facilitate early literacy development.

The original initiative was focused on the early years of schooling with a particular focus on the first three years of schooling. The Ballarat Diocese has further developed the original P-2 focus with a view to developing oral language competencies and skills for learning P-6.

The initiative is focused on professional learning to support teachers to explicitly plan for and implement strategies, which specifically target the development of oral language skills to support learning.

### Who can participate?

The intended audience is:

- OLSEL Leaders and teachers nominated by the principal.

### How the program will be structured:

The Diocesan Professional Development will be facilitated by CEOB staff and will consist of:

- 1 day in term 2 and
- 1 day in term 3
- other support at a school or cluster level organised with CEOB staff

### Goals for the OLSEL Sustainability phase:

- To support the OLSEL leader with further content knowledge
- To support the OLSEL leader with strategies for further school based learning and application
- To evidence positive student outcomes in reading comprehension and language competencies and skills

### What is expected of participants?

- Attend both Professional Development days
- Continue to be lead learners and deliver the new content at PLTs
- Support teachers with embedding of the new knowledge into their planning and classroom practice
- Continue conversation with CEOB staff

### What is required of the principal?

- Ensure participant is aware of all requirements



- Meet regularly with the OLSEL leader and participant to discuss the school's ongoing OLSEL learning

**What you can expect from the CEOB:**

CEOB staff will:

- Facilitate Diocesan Professional Development days that will have rigour and integrity
- Continue communication with OLSEL leaders
- Manage the costs associated with the provision of this initiative however schools will be asked to contribute the regular professional learning fee that is used to cover venue costs and catering as deemed necessary

**Registration**

Registration for this program will be available [online](#) and will close on November 30<sup>th</sup> 2016.

Registration implies that participants have the full support as outlined of their school principal.

The early close off date will enable CEOB to determine the actual number of participants and the location of these participants which will support us in determining the number of programs that will be run next year and where.

Adherence to this closure date should make it possible to provide all participants with actual program dates and locations by December 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**Endorsement**

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