ICT SCHOOLS SUMMIT NSW 2025

AUSTRALIA'S MOST CONTENT DRIVEN EVENT FOR SCHOOL LEADERS

THURSDAY, 13TH FEBRUARY 2025

ROYAL RANDWICK, SYDNEY, NSW

FOREFRONT
DIGITAL COMMUNITY

SPEAKERS

Andrew Hottes
Chief Digital Information Officer
CRANBROOK SCHOOL

Jenny Weal
Principal
The Ponds HIGH SCHOOL

Mike Dudarenok
Chief Information and Digital Officer
NSW GOVERNMENT | Education Standards Authority

Michael Browning
Head of ICT Services
NEWCASTLE GRAMMAR SCHOOL

Samantha McGivern
Business Manager and Company Secretary
Ascham School

Jessica Lonard
Head of Library and Information Services

KEY TOPICS

- Aligning school's business priorities in line with technology & curriculum strategy
- Powering teaching & learning objectives through actionable data, AI & innovation
- Sharing examples of cyber resilience for 2025
- ICT & Business manager collaboration in a school project setting

WHO WILL ATTEND?

- Heads of ICT
- Business Managers
- Heads of Learning Technology
- Heads of Data & Innovation
- Principals

8:30 REGISTRATION, COFFEE & NETWORKING

9:00 WELCOME REMARKS FROM CHAIRPERSON

9:10 OPENING KEYNOTE: ADOPTING GLOBAL BEST PRACTICES FOR SCHOOLS

- How international standards like ISO 27001 and ISO 42001 can be tailored to the unique challenges of educational institutions.
- Leveraging frameworks such as the ACSC Essential Eight to enhance resilience in schools.
- The importance of aligning digital policies with emerging global trends in cybersecurity.

Andrew Hottes, Chief Digital Information Officer, Cranbrook School

9:40 PRINCIPAL PANEL: ALIGNING SCHOOL & TECHNOLOGY PRIORITIES FOR IMPROVED OUTCOMES

- Creating a strategic vision in collaboration with IT & teaching staff
- Fostering better productivity with the use of technology
- Discussing key priorities in cyber security and digital literacy

Tim Watson, Principal, Northern Beaches Christian School
Dr Emma Burgess, Principal, Danebank Anglican School for Girls
Jenny Weal, Principal, The Ponds High School
Deborah Clancy, Principal, Lakes Grammar Anglican School
Ian Mejia, Principal, Hartford College

10:20 CASE STUDY: LEVERAGING GENERATIVE AI IN CLASSROOMS: WHAT HAVE WE LEARNED SO FAR?

10:50 MORNING TEA & NETWORKING

11:20 ICT SHARK TANK INTERACTIVE ACTIVITY
Attendees will work in groups at their tables to draft an IT project proposal to secure the funding from a panel of school board representatives

Key Adjudicators:
Michelle Dixon, Chair of the Board, Brigidine College St Ives
Glen Pather, Chair of the Board, Scots College

11:50 PANEL DISCUSSION: POWERING TEACHING & LEARNING OBJECTIVES THROUGH ACTIONABLE DATA, AI & INNOVATION

- Enabling the use of data analytics in a functional, transparent, methodical and risk adverse way
- Creating a student-centric reflection on performance and academic growth through innovation
- Ensuring the technology and innovation results in classrooms are visible to all stakeholders & parents
- Exploring the meaning of good data in schools and what it can mean on a strategy/decision-making level

Fiona Donnelly, Deputy Principal Leader of Innovation and Robotics, Granville Boys High School
Jessica Lonard, Head of Library and Information Services, St Patrick's College
Tony Shen, Dean of Data and Information Systems, Santa Sabina College
Don Perna, Head of Information and Communications Technology, St Gregory's College Campbelltown
Adam Wollins, Director of ICT, Hills Grammar School

12:30 CASE STUDY: ACCELERATING IT RESOLUTION TO ENHANCE OPERATIONAL RESILIENCE ACROSS THE SCHOOL

1:00 LUNCH & NETWORKING

1:40 INTERACTIVE WORKSHOPS

- Transforming student and staff ICT experience through teaching and learning technology
- Sharing challenges & opportunities on a journey towards cyber security excellence
- Exploring how virtual classrooms can transform K12 Education & learning objectives
- Fostering better approaches to managing large-scale IT projects in line with schools expectations
- Using AI in line with curriculum and assessment guidelines and create visibility for teachers, students and parents
- Student safety in education - discussing challenges & key priorities to make school a safer place
- Student reflection & data analytics - what makes your data journey more successful and how to enable visibility

2.20 PANEL DISCUSSION: BUILDING CYBER RESILIENCE THROUGH EFFECTIVE ICT LEADERSHIP

- Uplifting cyber security strategies across IT service delivery
- Promoting safe use of technology & platforms
- Positioning cyber importance at all key stakeholder levels

Mike Dudarenok, Chief Information and Digital Officer, NSW Education Standards Authority
Matthew Darby, Head of Information Technology, St Aloysius' College
Michael Browning, Head of ICT Services, Newcastle Grammar School
Jeremy Cipolla, Head of ICT, Kincoppal Rose-Bay
Alex Vasilevski, Enterprise Account Executive, Arctic Wolf

3:00 CASE STUDY: AI-ENABLED CYBER CRIME IN EDUCATION, WHAT DOES THE FUTURE HOLD AND HOW CAN YOU PREPARE?

3.30 AFTERNOON TEA & NETWORKING

3:50 FIRESIDE CHAT WITH ASCHAM SCHOOL: ICT & BUSINESS MANAGER COLLABORATION IN A SCHOOL PROJECT SETTING

- Successful collaboration strategies on ICT projects across the school
- Sharing ICT & Business perspectives on effective communication in project delivery
- Team work approach to problem solving: How do overcome challenges and conflicts?

Samantha McGivern, Business Manager, Company Secretary
Georgina Liberale, Director of ICT, Ascham School

4:20 CLOSING REMARKS & NETWORKING DRINKS

5:30 EVENT END