

## DATE AND VENUE

### Wednesday 26 August

Williamstown High School,  
Junior Campus,  
Bayview St  
Williamstown

### Thursday 27 August

Hemisphere Conference  
Centre,  
488 South Rd  
Moorabbin

## TIME

4.15 – 4.45pm  
Registration and  
afternoon tea

Sessions will commence at  
4.45pm after registration &  
afternoon tea



Oxford Big Ideas Science 3  
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## ATTENTION: Science Coordinator

Oxford University Press is hosting a FREE Professional Support event for teachers of Science. The program, developed in consultation with classroom teachers, will be conducted by members of Oxford's experienced team and will focus on the Oxford Big Ideas Science series.

## PROGRAMME

### Session: **What is the Big Idea?**

*Speaker:* Kerry Thomas and Catherine Charles-Brown

Placing big ideas such as matter, energy or systems, at the centre of scientific learning provides the foundations to scientific literacy. *Big ideas* are also an important feature of the proposed national curriculum for science education. The '*big ideas*' approach enables students to identify what knowledge is important, how it connects with other ideas or concepts and to apply that knowledge and understanding to other topics. Drawing on recent science education research, Kerry explores the meaning of 'big ideas' and how this approach makes connections between the many discrete facts and skills and connects them in a significant framework.

### About the Presenters

Kerry Thomas has over fifteen years of classroom teaching and departmental leadership experience in the Victorian state and independent systems. More recently she has been actively involved in Oxford's Big Ideas Science project, providing teacher professional learning and as an OUP Representative in Victoria and Tasmania.

Catherine Charles-Brown is the publisher of the Oxford Big Ideas Science series and has been actively involved in the project from its inception.

### Free Book!

Participants in 'What is the Big Idea?' will receive a complimentary copy of *Oxford Big Ideas Science 3* on release.

## REGISTRATION

To register, please complete and fax back the registration form (found on the back of this invitation) to Shalini Kunahlan at **03 9934 9100** by **Monday 24 August 2009**. Shalini may also be contacted at [shalini.kunahlan@oup.com](mailto:shalini.kunahlan@oup.com)

### Unable to attend?

If you are unable to attend the workshop, but would like to receive information from the session or learn more about future Big Ideas and science events, please contact your Oxford representative:

Katrina Tucker (email: [katrina.tucker@oup.com](mailto:katrina.tucker@oup.com), mobile: 0403 043 584)  
Kerry Thomas (email: [kerry.thomas@oup.com](mailto:kerry.thomas@oup.com), mobile: 0411 759 611).

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### SESSION SELECTION

Please indicate which workshop you would like to attend:

- Wednesday 26 August Williamstown Secondary College, Junior Campus, Williamstown
- Thursday 27 August Hemisphere Conference Centre, Moorabbin

### LOCATION

A map and further details will be included in your confirmation email.

### PARKING

Details will be included in your confirmation email.

### REGISTRATION & REFRESHMENTS

Please note that registration will be held between 4.15 and 4.45pm, when refreshments will be served.

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