*Nurturing Mathematical Talent*

Pre-Conference ‘Taster’ Workshop

The last three years series of four 2.5-hour teacher workshops have been offered in Hobart with the theme of exposing Year 5 to 8 teachers to strategies and materials to cater for their mathematically able students. These workshops make use of the enrichment materials published by the Australian Mathematics Trust, which amongst other things runs the Australian Mathematics Competition.

**A two-hour ‘taster’ of the Nurturing Mathematical Talent professional development program is being offered as MAT pre-Conference session and teachers from all parts of the state are invited to participate.**

Catering for the  needs  of  students  who  are  mathematically  talented  can  be  a challenge  for  many  teachers – time selection and preparation of materials, deciding what materials are suitable, having coherent program, etc.

The goals of the full program are to

**1. Build confidence in teachers to extend and challenge the mathematical thinking of bright students.**

**2. To have a collection of quality enrichment tasks to use with their students.**

**3. Be part of a supportive network of teachers working with able Mathematics students.**

**4. Increase their knowledge of competitions and other enrichment opportunities for their students.**

**This ‘taster’ workshop will endeavour to address all outcomes. If there is sufficient interest a fuller program will be offered in the NW during the year.**

DATE 13 April 2016

VENUE Burnie High School

 2 pm to 4 pm

COST $30\*

[\* The cost is for a bag $50 to $100 of published resources and handouts (value at least $50-$80). Schools are invited to send more than one teacher, one bag per school or $30 per teacher. There will some differentiation of materials if teachers indicate Year range, for example 3 to 5, 8 to 10 etc.]

The session will be conducted by

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