

RECONCILIATION WEEK

PERFORMANCE
EVENT WITH

**DEBORAH
CHEETHAM AO**

and also featuring the
**DOVETON COLLEGE
ABORIGINAL CHOIR**

**THURSDAY
28 MAY 2015
5PM-7PM**

**DRUM THEATRE
LONSDALE STREET
DANDENONG**

**RSVP ESSENTIAL
BY THURSDAY 21 MAY**

to Chris Edmonds
via email: c.edmonds@semml.com.au

**ADMISSION IS FREE
REFRESHMENTS WILL
BE SERVED**

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Deborah Cheetham, Yorta Yorta woman, soprano, composer and educator

has established her place as an artist in great demand. Since her international debut in 1997, Deborah has performed in the theatres and concert halls of the United States, Europe, the United Kingdom, New Zealand and throughout Australia.

In April 2007, Deborah was awarded a two-year Fellowship from the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Board of the Australia Council for the Arts. This fellowship allowed her to create Australia's first Indigenous opera, Pecan Summer.

In 2010, Deborah brought together Australia's first classically trained Indigenous ensemble to present the world premiere of Pecan Summer. In the same year she was a finalist for Australian of the Year in Victoria.

The success of Pecan Summer has led to the creation of Short Black Opera Company, a national not-for-profit opera company devoted to the development of Indigenous opera singers.

After serving as Head of the Wilin Centre for Indigenous Arts and Cultural Development from 2011 to 2014, Deborah was appointed as Associate Dean of Indigenous Development at the Faculty of the VCA and MCM, University of Melbourne.

In the 2014 Queen's Birthday Honours List, Ms Cheetham was appointed as an Officer of the Order of Australia (AO), for "distinguished service to the performing arts as an opera singer, composer and artistic director, to the development of Indigenous artists, and to innovation in performance".

In March 2015 Ms Cheetham was inducted onto the Victorian Honour Roll of Women.



Enter the Kingdom of Books!

Hear Ye! Hear Ye!

It's Book Fair time at Overport Primary School!

Once again our school will be hosting the Scholastic Book Fair from
the
1st to the 5th of June.

Come along and enjoy the wonderful books on offer!

The Scholastic Book Fair has excellent prices & resources to encourage your child's love of reading and will be held in our beautiful library.

All book sales benefit our school by adding valuable resources to our library. This is a fantastic opportunity to purchase some great, high-quality books for you to enjoy at home with your child.

Just follow the signs to enter the *Kingdom of Books* and come on a reading adventure!

Parents Victoria Online Conference May 18-21

Principals are encouraged to invite parents to participate in part two of Parents Victoria's online conference.

The conference is being held during Education Week on 18 -21 May and will cover social media, online reporting, career advice and pathways, access to education, parent clubs, and funding. There will also be the opportunity for participants to raise other issues important to them. For updates, visit: [Parents Victoria](http://www.parentsvictoria.asn.au)

The online conference will feature live online discussions, hosted by a member of Parents Victoria. Each day a special guest from a relevant organisation will be available to comment on one of the topics. Final dates and times are currently being confirmed.

You don't need to be a member of Parents Victoria to take part and no special software is required. The online discussions will be easy to join in, with guidelines and online resources provided.

To register for the event, visit: [Register for Parents Victoria Online Conference May 2015](#)



Frankston High School invites you to attend a presentation by world class educator and researcher, Dylan Wiliam (PhD).



How do we prepare our children for a world we cannot imagine?

In this presentation, Dylan will outline the role of parents to ensure that their children take control over their lives, appreciate their culture, make a difference in the world, and find rewarding work.

Date: Monday 25 May, 2015

Time: 5pm – 6pm

Location: Senior Campus Presentation Space

If you are interested in attending this exciting event, please email office@fhs.vic.edu.au with the number of attendees by Wednesday 20 May.



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