

Australian Association of Mathematics Teachers Inc.

# 5 February 2020

# AAMT 2020

AAMT would like to wish all our members and subscribers a great start to the new school term in 2020. We hope students and teachers will gain new learnings and inspirations in their maths classes as the year progresses.

We encourage maths educators to participate in the 2020 professional learning programs. All AAMT state and territory affiliated associations will be offering their usual packed programs of workshops, conferences and other professional learning opportunities.

AAMT has had a busy start to the new year as we have moved our location to Canberra. We are now working alongside the Australian Maths Trust. The Mathematical Association of South Australia has moved into the former AAMT Adelaide office, where some of our staff continue to work.

You will be aware that this year AAMT does not hold a national conference. The AAMT conference is biennial. We hope to make an announcement about the 2021 conference in a couple of months.

This year we are working with the Australian Science Teachers Association to bring a STEM day to the CONASTA national conference in July in Canberra. Maths teachers have the opportunity to join their science colleagues to learn or present about data and maths modelling in the classroom. See below.

The exchange program to Singapore is planned for July this year.

For later in the year, AAMT has been engaged in discussions with NCETM in the UK and hope to bring an NCETM presence to some workshop events in October. Watch this space.

AAMT is currently developing a new website with additional features. We plan to launch our new web presence in the second quarter of the year.

We are also nearing completion of the new Maths 300 platform. We now have

more than 60 software lessons in browser-based format. See more information below.

Please do continue to provide us with your news and events that support maths educators.

We look forward to working with everyone in 2020.

Duncan Rayner

Chief Excutive Officer

# STEM Day with the Australian Science Teachers Association (ASTA)

AAMT is working with ASTA and the Science Educators Association of the ACT (SEAACT) to offer maths teachers the opportunity to participate in a STEM Day with their science teacher colleagues at the CONASTA conference in Canberra on July 7. The theme for the STEM day is **Inquiry-based STEM: Teaching maths and science with modelling and data.** 

For further information, please click here

Please note that CONASTA is still accepting offers to present. Conference and STEM Day registration open in March 2020.

### **Overseas Exchange Opportunities 2020**

AAMT will organise a study tour to Singapore in July 2020. This will include participation in the <u>MERGA</u> conference, workshops and school placements.

The exchange with Maths Hubs in the UK is still open. This is for anyone interested in a 2 – 3 week placement at a UK Maths Hub. Schedules and itinerary are arranged between the participating teacher and the host Maths Hub.

To register your interest, click <u>here</u> to open the flyer and use the <u>registration link</u> at the end of the flyer.

#### Please note the visit to Shanghai in April will not go ahead.

### Maths300

AAMT is hoping to launch the new version of Maths 300 soon. We are currently migrating the lessons from the old platform to the new one. This will be followed by a migration of the administration system.

At the same time most of the interactive lessons that use the Maths 300 software can now be accessed via a browser. We encourage all Maths 300 users to try the browser-based lesson format, as it is suitable for both laptops and tablet devices. For further information, contact <u>office@aamt.edu.au</u>

We are also seeking contributions for new lessons for Maths 300. Do get in touch with us if you have any inspiring inquiry-based lessons that we can include in the new Maths 300.

**NSW** Event

# MANSW Using NAPLAN SCOUT Data Analysis for Strategic School Planning

**Where**: MANSW Professional Learning Rooms 67-73 St Hilliers Rd, Auburn 2144

When: 13 February 2020

Participants will join in discussions, link research for strategic planning, and the importance of school data analysis and planning to promote change and improve student learning.

View more details about the event at <a href="https://www.mansw.nsw.edu.au/">https://www.mansw.nsw.edu.au/</a>

VIC Event

# MAV VCE Mini-conferences: Melbourne, Bendigo, Gippsland 2020

Where: Melbourne, Bendigo, and Gippsland

When: 14th-28th February

Program details and registrations are at https://www.mav.vic.edu.au/

# Hamann School Mathematics Competition



The Hamann School Mathematics Competition for schools in SA takes place on Wednesday March 18th.

Registration forms must be with MASA at <u>masamail@internode.on.net</u> by Monday 24th February

# Year 12 Mathematics Workshops

Where: Unley High School, Kitchener Street, Netherby, Adelaide, SA

When: Tuesday 25th and Thursday 27th February

A range of workshops and seminars relating to the four year 12 SACE Mathematics subjects, exams and curricula, are available for you to choose from.

View the program and registration at <a href="https://www.masaonline.org.au">https://www.masaonline.org.au</a>

WA Event

# Understanding And Teaching Multiplicative Thinking

Where: Ziggies Educational Supplies: 25B Baile Road Canning Vale, WA

When: 25 February 2020

This workshop is part of a professional development series offered by the Mathematical Association of Western Australia. It provides Year 4 to 7 teachers with pedagogical knowledge, activities and insights into the teaching of multiplicative thinking skills in a variety of mathematical contexts.

View the program and registration at <a href="https://mawainc.org.au/">https://mawainc.org.au/</a>

**Overseas Event** 

2020 BE-MTS International Research Conference Where: Reyna's the Haven and Gardens, Tagbilaran
City, Bohol, Philippines
When: May 2 - 4, 2020
Theme: "Connecting the Links of Science,
Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM)
for an Enhanced Mathematics Teaching - Learning Process"

### **Co-organizers:**

\*Department of Education Region VII (DepEd VII) \*Department of Education - Bohol Province Division (DepEd Bohol) \*Visayas State University - Isabel Campus (VSU – Isabel)

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## [featured resource] Challenging Mathematical Tasks

### **Peter Sullivan**

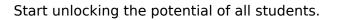
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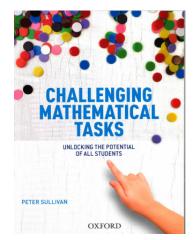


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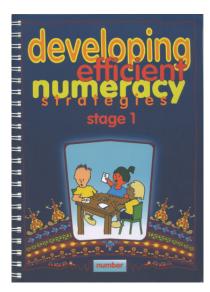
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## Developing Efficient Numeracy Strategies Stage 1

### **NSW Department of Education & Training**

Detailed support to help develop students' counting strategies in the junior primary years. A great deal of research and common sense indicates developing robust counting strategies is fundamental to effective numeracy. This book provides a developmental framework for counting strategies that has been identified through extensive research in Australian classrooms. For each stage there is a range of activities to address particular aspects — sequencing, numeral identification and patterns etc. in the early stages,



operations and strategies in the latter. The layout of each activity explicitly highlights key aspects of teaching as well as a brief discussion of why the learning is important and methods effective.

This second edition includes references to the Australian Curriculum: Mathematics.

#### View contents and sample pages

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### Other news

The articles below were posted to AAMT's Facebook and LinkedIn pages and Twitter feed, and link to various sites:

Success in year 12 maths adds up to better science results at uni

Math that feels good -- creating learning resources for blind students

Incorporating STEAM into the wider curriculum

North Zealand International School pupil hailed as one of the best maths students in the world

Maths mastery: Everything you need to know

Global education rankings highlight academic strengths of international students

Nottingham academic advises Government on mathematics research investment

Success in year 12 maths adds up to better science results at uni

Academics fear for jobs as maths and statistics major dropped

Maths made easy: Anand Mahindra shares clever trick to solve multiplication problem, thrilled SRK responds

Why 2,000 Danish university students are failing 'basic mathematics'

Empathy in education: 'It's just as important as learning maths'

Connect with AAMT on social networks for more links to online news, tools and tips!



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