

# 2018 STUDENT SPEAKER SERIES FOR PYP EXHIBITION SCHOOLS



## MELT approaches to learning towards the PYP Exhibition

Presented by Dr John Willison  
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### Program Details

This session is delivered as an in school interactive workshop that uses stimulating examples to help students (and their teachers) to understand their thinking processes through the use of the Models of Engaged Learning and Teaching (MELT). The session is designed to maximise student engagement early in their work towards the Exhibition, yet can be adapted for lower year levels.

Professional development for staff that connects with 'ATL Skills for the Primary Years Programme' is also available. Please contact Rebecca Hammond at [office@ibaustralasia.org](mailto:office@ibaustralasia.org) for further information.

### Program Outline

1. *Introduction* by PYP coordinator about why this session has been arranged for the students (5 minutes).
2. *'Why does popcorn pop?'*: students derive the MELT skills in a small-group to large-group stimulating activity (30 minutes).
3. *Exhibition worked example*, based on 'Pop Corn' (10 minutes)
4. *Clarify ideas for the Exhibition*: students work in threes and report back (20 minutes).
5. *What to do next for the Exhibition?* (5 minutes)

### About the Presenter

From 1992 to 2004 Dr John Willison taught Secondary Science students, R-6 Gifted and Talented students, was an Upper School Coordinator and lectured in Early Childhood and Primary Teacher Education at Curtin University.

For the past 13 years he has conducted courses in Secondary Education and Higher Education at the University of Adelaide, where he is a Senior Lecturer.

He is interested in the ways that students' thinking skills are explicitly developed across the years of formal education.

To read more about Dr John Willison please visit: <http://researchers.adelaide.edu.au/profile/john.willison>.

### 2018 TOUR DATES

Sessions are available on selected dates at the following times:

#### Auckland

Wednesday 9 May (until 3.00pm)  
Friday 11 May

#### Melbourne

Monday 14 May (until 3.00pm)  
Tuesday 15 May  
Wednesday 16 May (until 5.00pm)

#### Brisbane

Thursday 17 May (until 3.00pm)  
Friday 18 May (until 5.00pm)

#### Canberra

Monday 21 May (until 3.00pm)  
Tuesday 22 May (until 5.00pm)

### PROGRAM DETAILS

**Time Required:** 1.5 hours

**Maximum number of students per event:** 80pax

### REGISTRATION DETAILS

#### How to book

The **Student Speaker Series** is available only to member schools.

Student events booked during the 2018 Speaker Series Tour are \$700 per event (inclusive of all expenses).

Session times are limited and **MUST** be booked by Friday 23 March, 2018.

#### For more information and to book an event please contact:

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