

From the President

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One of the things I love about working in education is the opportunity to reflect at the end of each year. When we finish up for the year in schools it is a great chance to look back on the year that has passed and have an opportunity for celebrating the achievements of 2016. At DLTV we have been doing the same and highlighting the work of our committee and members. 2016 saw the implementation of the new Digital Technologies curriculum and the many professional learning opportunities through face to face events and webinars.

This year DLTV will focus on member resources and our new website with member access will be launched early in 2017. This will see resources for our members including webinars and videos and activities for teaching with Digital Technologies. Our webinars series will continue to support teachers implementing the curriculum for the first time and also build on the great work of Victorian teachers who are already implementing the curriculum.

DLTV developed the VCE resource kit to support the new study design in 2016 and this will continue to be developed through 2017, providing further resources for DLTV members. This will be complimented by a VCE webinar series and forums for VCE teachers.

The annual conference, DigiCon was once again a huge success and showcased the strength of Victorian teachers. With many interstate visitors to the conference it shows how we really are leading the way with Digital Technologies across Australia. The student showcase once again gave hundreds of Victorian students opportunities to experience how digital learning can enrich their lives and showcase digital learning through industries.

Our DLTV awards this year showcased the great work of members and their schools. Eleni Kyritsis and Gary Bass were the recipients of the awards and have shown tremendous dedication in what they offer in the area of digital learning and teaching. We also awarded a life membership to Nick Reynolds who has been a long standing supporter of DLTV and worked tirelessly over many years to build excellence in digital learning and teaching. On a sad note we also said goodbye to Nathan Jones, a friend to DLTV who had worked alongside many DLTV members with passion and enthusiasm. His loss was felt across the DLTV community.

Once again I would like to thank the editor of our DLTV journal, Michael Phillips, whose dedication to sharing the expertise of the DLTV community is evident in such a high quality journal. To the Committee of Management and DLTV office staff, I would also like to thank them for the hard work and dedication they show to building excellence in Digital Learning across Victoria. Finally to the members of DLTV, I wish to thank you for your enthusiasm, dedication and hard work in building a community of teachers who provide the best experiences for our students in the area of digital learning. We look forward to working with you in 2017.