

CONNECT WITH SLAV

- ▶ Website www.slav.org.au
- ▶ Professional Learning Program
- ▶ State-wide Branch Network
- ▶ Mentor Program
- ▶ Fortnightly eNewsletter
- ▶ Members only section of website - includes discussion forums, lists and resources
- ▶ SLAV branded Citemaker Access (conditions apply)
- ▶ Online Book Club twice a term
- ▶ The member focused journal FYI online and in print every term
- ▶ A research based journal Synergy online twice a year
- ▶ @slavconnects our blog and on Twitter, Facebook and Instagram
- ▶ Shelftalkers project

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MEMBERSHIP

SLAV provides access to a range of services and opportunities that highlight evidence-based best-practice.

These include:

- ▶ Substantial savings on our high quality professional learning program
- ▶ Support, advice and advocacy from SLAV Community
- ▶ Access to a state-wide structure of branches that facilitate local interaction and knowledge sharing
- ▶ Interactions and connections with a wide range of allied organisations and associations – including partner association status with the International Association of School Librarianship (IASL)

PROFESSIONAL LEARNING

SLAV offers a range of conferences, masterclasses, workshops and forums, both online and face to face, that are designed to address a diversity of school library roles. The program introduces change, consolidates best practice, and builds a community of professional knowledge and collegiate support.

SLAV's Professional Learning Program is recognised and supported by the Victorian Department of Education.



The School Library Association of Victoria (SLAV) offers dynamic and inspiring opportunities for teacher-librarians and library teams to build their essential role in engaging and developing lifelong learners.

Collegiality Connecting members through a state-wide network and community.

Leadership Enhancing awareness of global educational research, innovation, and best practice in school libraries.

Advocacy Articulating the role of the school library as a partner in the learning and teaching process.

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WHAT A SCHOOL LIBRARY

CAN DO FOR YOU

The school library can enable students to achieve **better learning outcomes**



The school library is a **welcoming, flexible environment**

Provide equitable access to resources to help communities cater for:

- ▶ individual learning styles
 - ▶ varied abilities
 - ▶ cultural differences



School libraries help improve students' literacy by offering reading opportunities



- inquiry ▶
- creativity ▶
- reasoning ▶
- reflection ▶
- evaluation ▶
- metacognition ▶

LEARNING

RESEARCH

Teacher-librarians can teach students the **information literacy skills framework**

READING

Match the right reading experience to the right child at the right time

RESOURCES

Provide a world of resources - local and global, physical and digital

Provide access to quality reading experiences that foster reading for pleasure



Reading experiences increase **empathy** and **emotional intelligence**

Library staff are the best resource in the library. They can:

- ▶ help plan a unit of work
- ▶ find a resource
- ▶ integrate ICT into teaching
- ▶ curate internet sources
- ▶ teach and promote the ethical use of Information

School library spaces can be :

- ▶ active
- ▶ cultural
- ▶ creative
- ▶ quiet
- ▶ collaborative



There is a large body of evidence-based research that shows **effective school libraries have a positive impact** upon learning and enrich the lives of their school community