May 4

Online

Topic: AI and the School Library

4.00pm to 5.00pm

The HILO series – **High Impact Libraries Online** - will showcase and explore the various ways school libraries operate to support learning and teaching through online systems and programs and online strategies and tools. Each session will explore a different area of the online school library offering examples of practice from experienced speakers.

AI and the School Library

Leon Furze

Librarians have played an essential role in integrating new technologies, including Artificial Intelligence (AI), into schools. As AI applications become more prevalent, it is important to consider the ethical concerns surrounding their use. In this panel session, Leon Furze, a former English teacher and PhD student in AI and education, will discuss the ethical concerns around AI, such as bias, environmental impact, academic integrity, copyright and intellectual property, privacy and security, data collection, affect recognition, human labor, and power and hegemony.

Leon will explore the ways in which librarians can support schools in their use of AI, including building ethical understanding, teaching responsible research practices, and guiding the selection and use of AI-powered apps and services.

This presentation will be followed by a panel discussion with **Bart Rutherford** from Wesley College and **Di Ruffles** from Melbourne Grammar School and include an opportunity for audience Q & A.

Leon Furze is a PhD student, experienced educator, consultant, and educational writer. He is author of *Practical Reading Strategie*s and Jacaranda's new 'English' series of textbooks, and a VCE assessor. Leon provides professional learning and strategic planning for curriculum, literacy, and digital technologies.

Leon has taught English, Literature and Digital Technologies in Australia and the UK for over fifteen years and was formerly Director of Learning and Teaching at Monivae College Hamilton. In 2016 he completed his Master of Education at the University of Melbourne, focusing on how Professional Learning can mitigate the risk of burnout in teachers.

His PhD is focused on Artificial Intelligence in education, and particularly the impact large language models like GPT will have on writing.

Padlet

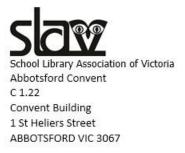A padlet of resources will be created to support this event.

Registration

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Members - $30.00

Non-Members $40.00

This includes the online session, access to the padlet and a recording of the session. A participation certificate will be supplied upon request.