



MARINE EARLY CHILDHOOD TEACHER PD

10AM – 3PM

MONDAY FEBRUARY 26TH, 2024

Learning will be FUN and ENGAGING. You can
even SWIM WITH WHALES!



We believe that the early years of a child's life are the most significant. So, we have designed a Professional Development Day to support Early Years Educators to help them understand the fundamentals of marine environments, science, waste management and innovation. This will help to plan, organise, and initiate activities around education for sustainability enabling children to develop intellectually, physically, and emotionally.

Our goal is to give you a taste of all that Ricketts Point has to offer as a world class living, breathing outdoor classroom. We will explore the intertidal rockpools, remnant coastal heath and banksia forest, and discover birds of the bay to help connect to the ecological and community significance of our special places.

**Join us for our Early Childhood Teacher PD day
10.00am – 3.00pm, Monday 26th February 2024
at our Marine Education Centre, Beaumaris Surf Club
Beach Road, Ricketts Point**

10.00AM

Welcome and Introduction.

Official welcome, Acknowledgement of Country, plus introduction of Gould League and how we've inspired generations of scientists, problem solvers and eco warriors for over 100 years.

10.10AM

Introduction to Ricketts Point Marine Sanctuary and our Ricketts Kinder programs

- Rockpool Ramble
- Sandy Shore Discovery
- Play Based Activities

11.10AM

Morning Tea.

11.30AM

The GOOD the BAD and the UGLY of Plastics.

The amount of plastic waste in our world is one of the largest concerns societies have today. Discover how to prevent and treat the problems associated with marine plastic pollution and how you can empower your students to be part of the solution.

12.15PM

Group discussion.

Time to share what you are doing that works either in terms of improving engagement and empowerment of children, and also your centre's sustainability performance.

12.30PM

Innovation in the waste arena.

Discover how if everyday waste items are put into the right bin or offered to local businesses, what can be achieved. You may just be very pleasantly surprised.

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1.00PM Lunch and time to Swim with Whales in our “SodaStream Oceans of our Future 3D Virtual Reality Experience.”

1.30PM **The Circular Economy and Beyond - Pathways to a Sustainable Future.**
Teachers, parents, and students can be overwhelmed by how to manage waste in their homes and communities and create a sustainable future for the next generation. Discover how society is innovating to value waste and think of creative and unique alternatives to disposal so it continues to be treated as a resource rather than left in landfill.

2.30PM **Overview of all Gould League kinder programs** and how we link them to early learning outcomes and the Victorian Curriculum. Explore costumes and props used and the option of us coming to your centre/ kinder.

3.00PM End of program.

Our Professional Development event for Early Learning Teachers will be at our Marine Education Centre at Ricketts Point Sanctuary which provides a perfect location for learning about our precious marine environment and issues past and present that affect it.

Join us for a day that is set to challenge the current status quo and inspire what is possible for you as Educators and the enquiring young mind of your students. Not only will they learn about the world, but also develop a connection with it, strengthening their sense of identity and awareness.

Meet the Speakers



Rebecca Ceveri

Bec has been involved in marine education and conservation for almost twenty years. She completed a Bachelor of Science with majors in Marine Biology and Environmental Science. In her 10+ years of experience with Gould League she has been instrumental in delivering and writing our programs from Kinder through to VCE.

Bec thoroughly enjoys the opportunity to introduce students to Victoria’s unique marine biodiversity and influence community behaviour to produce positive environmental change.



Anne-Maree McInerney

Anne-Maree is Gould League’s General Manager. She is a highly regarded international sustainability thought leader, educator and advisor.

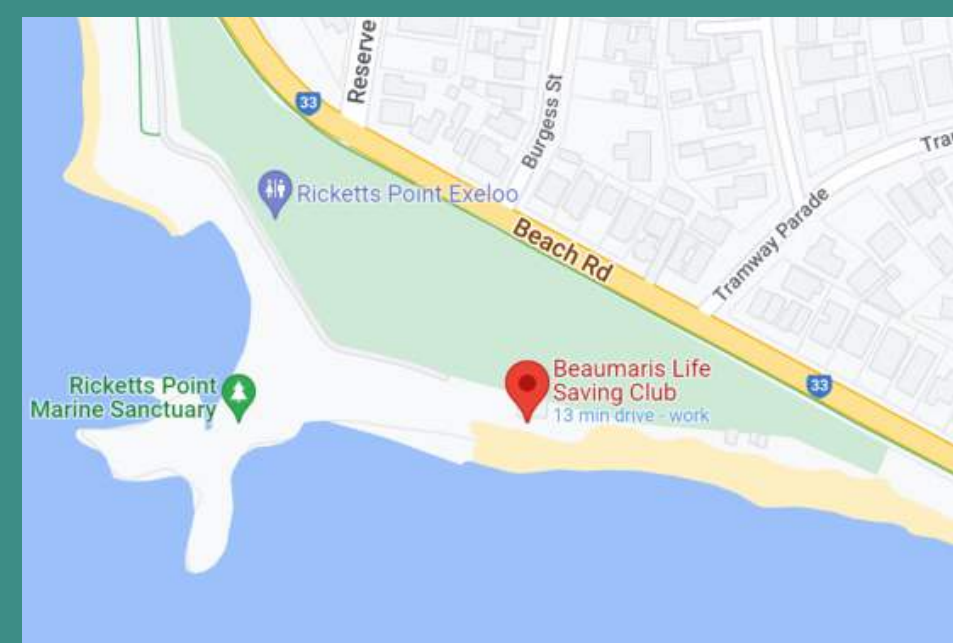
Anne-Maree uses powerful and meaningful stories of transformation to inspire change. She creatively shows us that sustainability is not just an aspiration, it’s a practical reality that is sweeping our businesses, communities and governance systems – providing significant financial, environmental and social returns.



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MORNING TEA & LUNCH**

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