

Parents, Students and Teachers  
are invited to an evening with Greg Mitchell



## Developing Positive Adolescents!

**Is it more important to fix a weakness or improve a strength?**

*This is a Public Event*

**Everyone welcome!**

**\$15** per person (at the door) NO EFTPOS  
Includes Free Tea/Coffee from 6.30pm

**Tuesday March 11th, 2014**

7pm to 9pm

Strathcona Baptist Girls' Grammar School  
34 Scott St, Canterbury

**Wednesday March 12th, 2014**

7pm to 9pm

Salesian College

10 Bosco St, Chadstone

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and VENUE attending. (No obligation)

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### Testimonials

My husband and I went last night. We can't thank you enough for giving us this night of 'fearless reality'.

Greg Mitchell had an engaging, enthusiastic, motivated, helpful, inspiring, thought provoking, humorous, honest, sharing, giving, caring, open, frank, concise, bulls eye target into his presentation of parenting for those lucky enough to make it last night. And, this lasted for two hours!

- Sharon Munroe, Parent, St Brigids College, Perth

Greg, Thank you very much, your presentation at the Western Australian Council of State Schools Association conference was the most memorable speech of the whole event.

- Tanya Gibson, Parent

Greg Mitchell's presentation on Leadership for Girls was absolutely excellent and stood out over the two days.

- J.Wright, Teacher, 2013 Girls in Education Conference, Melbourne

The answer to this and many other essential questions when parenting and teaching adolescents can be found in this entertaining, engaging and essential presentation.

In two dynamic hours Greg Mitchell will lead you through the major resources available to help adolescents become positively successful adults.

The presentation explores the forty elements of adolescent development in terms of the internal resources and external assets available for raising and educating children.

**Internal resources include...**

- How to create a **positive support network** between family, school, neighbourhood and positive adult role models.
- How to develop a child's **positive outlook** through community involvement
- How to set **clear rules**, boundaries and expectations.
- How to create constructive **time management** strategies.

**External assets include...**

- Creating a **commitment to learning**.
- Imparting the **positive values** of care, fairness, integrity, honesty, responsibility and restraint.
- Crafting adolescent **social competence**; from planning and decision making to resisting the negative peer group.
- Developing a **positive identity**, positive personal power, self-esteem, a sense of purpose and hope for the future.

### About the Presenter

Greg Mitchell has been a teacher for over thirty years and a parent for over a hundred years and he still suffers from enthusiasm. Greg is fascinated by the ways that students, parents and teachers can be empowered to make positive change through a mixture of quality information, compelling learning experience and straight talking honesty.

In this workshop he brings all of his experience, creativity, zest for life, wisdom and humour to create a memorable night for all.

Thank you for reading so far down the page... if you made it this far, you will truly enjoy this presentation.



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Parents and Teachers are invited  
to an evening with Dr. Ian Lillico



# Understanding Adolescent Boys!

Tuesday March 4th, 2014

De La Salle College  
1318 High St, Malvern

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**Everyone welcome!**

7pm to 9pm

This presentation covers boys at home and at school. It gives parents and teachers strategies to help boys in their growth into adults and compares childhood and adolescence. The role of parents and the teacher, nature and other factors impacting on boys' success are explained.

This evening also concentrates on ways to get boys to talk about their feelings and explores ways that teachers and parents can keep communication channels open with their boys. It looks at the rites of passage for boys, bullying and relationships with girls. Ian outlines the changes in society over the last few decades and the impact this has had on our boys.

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## Testimonials

We thoroughly enjoyed your presentation! We came away with some new strategies, feeling really positive and that we're not doing too badly. Thanks for such a great night and lots of new ideas!

Angela O'Connor (Parent)

Well what can I say ... other than what a brilliant presentation last night! I went home buzzing.... and couldn't sleep with excitement of what I had learnt.

Melinda Rodwell (Parent)

We found Ian's seminar funny and sad...it gave us ideas and areas to reflect on. As parents of two teenage boys we are often frustrated and despaired, but Ian gave us hope and reminded us of the joys of having sons.

Sarah Garnett and Shane McLachlan (Parents)

Ian's presentation was the best I have attended in 22 years. His advice was practical, very interesting and easy to connect with everyday experiences with boys. Every teacher and parent of boys should have the opportunity to listen to Ian. I know I will be a better mother and teacher for having this opportunity. Thank you!

Karen Campbell (Teacher and Parent)

Absolutely a message our society dearly needs to hear and act upon!

Russell & Anne Reinbott (Parents)

## About Dr Ian Lillico

Dr Ian Lillico (father of 3 sons) is a former principal of a secondary school (recently retired) and international consultant in gender, boys' education and middle schooling. He has done action research in gender throughout Australia and New Zealand from 1992 and in the Northern Hemisphere during his Churchill Fellowship in 2000. Ian has a PhD (Education) and is a National Fellow of The Australian Council of Educational Leaders (ACEL). He now provides professional development for teachers, parents, students and a host of other organizations throughout Australia and internationally.

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**Parents, Students and Teachers**

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# Keeping Children Safe Online



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**Thursday March 6th, 2014**

7pm to 9pm

Camberwell Girls Grammar School  
2 Torrington St, Canterbury

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## Testimonials

Brett has a way of delivering his essential message for everyone in a manner that truly captures his audience. His presentation to students, staff and parents continues to be invaluable as we all learn to responsibly manage the realm of technology in today's world.

— *Judith Butler, Guidance Counsellor Catholic Education Brisbane*

It is not often that a presenter can so successfully engage such a broad range of ages and interest groups. They loved his 'real' life examples which gave him credibility in the eyes of the students. We thank him for his enthusiasm and energy.

— *Natalie Devenish, DP, St Mary's Cathedral College, Sydney*

It really brings home the true risks our children face using technology and the sad but very real threat from the unknown. It is nice to be part of a school that places such a high priority on the safety of our children.

— *Mrs W, Parent, Saint Stephen's College, Coomera, Qld*

Brett Lee's Internet Safety and Cyber-Bullying presentation was very insightful. I've come away from the seminar with a new found awareness and understanding of the internet dangers threatening youth today.

— *Year 12 student, Saint Stephen's College, Coomera, Qld*

Professionalism of the presenter, haven't seen any better. He was outstanding, great manner with the audience, stayed back to answer individual questions.

— *Ron H, Deputy Principal, Chancellor State Secondary College, Qld*

Brett was an awesome choice for the final keynote. He was one of the few keynote speakers that kept my interest, helping clarify and challenge my own thinking. Captivating and very enjoyable to be a part of.

— *Core Education feedback, New Zealand*

**Brett Lee** worked as a Queensland Police Officer for 22 years, 16 of those as a Detective predominantly in the field of Child Exploitation. In his last 5 years of service, he was a specialist in the field of undercover internet child exploitation investigations. He is now a leading international keynote speaker on the topic of digital compliance and internet safety. You will be presented with engaging and powerful information in a way that will bring to life possible online dangers and responsibilities which are a part of your child's digital world. Strategies of protection and prevention will empower you to reduce online risks at home and school. You will be amazed how simple this can be.

- Simple measures to create a fun, educational, positive and SAFE online experience
- Understand the real life dangers and responsibilities
- The importance of a parent's or teacher's role in keeping children safe online
- The grey area between school and home

**SOCIAL NETWORKING**

**THE LAW ONLINE**

**IDENTITY PROTECTION**

**CYBER BULLYING**

**SEXTING**

**ONLINE GAMING**

## More about Brett Lee

Brett has been personally involved in the online investigation, arrest and prosecution of numerous offenders, whose medium for preying on children is the internet. Brett has delivered training to members of law enforcement agencies including New South Wales Police, South Australian Police, West Australian Police and Australian Customs. Within his own police service he was involved in the training of plain clothes police through Detective Training and Sexual Crimes courses in Online Child Exploitation investigations.

Further to Brett's experience, he has completed the FBI Advanced Internet Investigations Course and has worked with the FBI Innocent Images Unit, Maryland USA, the Department of Homeland Security Cyber Crimes Centre, Virginia USA and the San Jose Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force, California USA.

Brett has received the Queensland Police Commissioner's Gold Award and the Crime and Misconduct Commissioner's Award for his role in the development and implementation of software that is now utilised by various Australian Law enforcement agencies to track and identify online child offenders.

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Parents, Students, Youth Leaders and Teachers

are invited to an evening with

**Sharon Witt**

# Guarding and Guiding our Girls!

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**Wednesday March 19th, 2014**

7pm to 9pm

Sacred Heart College Geelong

Retreat Road, Newtown

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## Testimonials

It is rare to find a person with both a clear understanding of today's teen issues and also the ability to effectively communicate that knowledge to teens and their parents. Sharon is that person! Through her books and spoken presentations, she has touched the lives of many thousands of teens, offering clarity and hope, and real life strategies to help navigate through an increasingly complex world.

*Pastor Tony Knight, Event coordinator- CHOSEN National Teen Leaders Convention*

Sharon is an energetic and vibrant speaker, a gifted communicator, who shares her passion and heart with her audience. It is easy to see Sharon's passion and enthusiasm for young people and the issues they are dealing with in their world. Sharon provided many practical suggestions in how we can help teenagers navigate these important years. I would recommend Sharon as a speaker to parents, youth workers, teachers and teens.

*Amanda Cain, Girls Brigade Victoria*

Sharon is a phenomenal guest speaker. She has facilitated a variety of sessions for our youth organisation, and always does a fantastic job! Her sessions are fun, interactive, and relevant and the young girls love them! Sharon's heart and passion for empowering young girls is an inspiration. I highly recommend Sharon for any girls' session

*Beck Mitchell, Bridge Builders Organisation*

Sharon Witt is passionate about promoting growth and change in young people. She recently presented her Bully Busters programme to our year 7-9 students. Sharon's presentation was full of interaction and she continually encouraged student feedback and participation.

Sharon demonstrated her ability to engage with students and at times, literally have them hanging off her every word. Sharon aims to equip young people with skills in dealing positively with real life issues.

*Nicole Laursen, Melton Christian College*

**Raising girls can be likened to riding a roller coaster!**

At a time when they are coping with a myriad of changes to their bodies and often complex social environments, our girls are bombarded with an avalanche of mixed messages in the media and through music as to how they should look, feel and behave. Added to this are the pressures of friendships, boys and fitting in. Having worked with and run programs for adolescent girls for many years, Sharon has a special interest in helping parents and educators understand the challenges faced by our girls in an emerging culture of hyper sexuality and media influences. During this thought provoking and highly informative presentation, Sharon will discuss the key issues she sees our teen girls face on a daily basis in her career immersed in teen girl world. She will discuss the key influences in our girl's lives, how we can teach them to be media literate and to stand up against the negative influences of our culture.

## Topics covered...

- Why the media has such a strong influence on our girls and how we can teach them to stand up against the often toxic messages they are exposed to.
- How our girls are becoming over sexualised from such an early age and why this is not okay!
- Why digital retouching of images in magazines and advertising is so misleading to our girls.
- Structures you can put in place to help girls be cyber savvy.
- The importance of positive role models in our girls lives.

## About the Presenter

**Sharon Witt** has been immersed in teen world for two decades in her role as a Secondary Teacher, Mentor and Presenter to educators, teens and their parents around the country. She is a mother of two adolescents and is the founder of Teen Talk International, providing support and programs that impact teenagers across the country.



Sharon is also a regular media commentator and is often called upon to comment on teen and parenting issues on radio, print media and national television. She is also the author of the best-selling **Teen Talk Series** of books that have helped many thousands of teenagers across the country navigate their adolescent journey. Her latest book **Teen Talk - Parent Talk** provides an abundance of collective wisdom and common sense principles in raising resilient and happy teens.

**Copies of Sharon's best-selling books will be available for purchase at the conclusion of the presentation.**

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