



iNet Australia Transforming Schools

iNet Australia is part of an emerging network of innovative schools who have committed themselves to achieving **systematic, significant and sustained change.**



International Networking for Educational Transformation

About iNet Australia

- **iNet Australia** is an international arm of the Specialist Schools and Academies Trust (SSAT), England. iNet was launched in Melbourne in 2004.
- The Specialist Schools and Academies Trust (SSAT) was established by the Blair Government to transform the English school system. The ensuing strategy helped achieve dramatic improvement initially at upper secondary level in England with other levels following suit. Over 3000 English schools are affiliated with the Trust.
- **iNet Australia** is now one of a growing number of international networks established across the globe in the Asia-Pacific, South Africa and North and South America. The key commitment of iNet is to transform schools by raising achievement through the sharing of effective practice, balancing innovation and abandonment, increasing leadership capacity and the development of leadership of the network by schools and school leaders.
- **iNet Australia** currently has approximately 400 affiliated schools from Government, Independent and Catholic Schools in the Australian Capital Territory, New South Wales, South Australia, Tasmania, Queensland and Victoria, with interest expressed from the remaining states.
- **iNet Australia**, along with its international partners, is based on commitment to the power of Principal-led networks of professionals willing to share knowledge, exchange views and use networking to transform schools through change that is significant, systematic and sustained.
- **Personalising learning** is a main focus for school transformation. This is achieved through the gateways of leadership, curriculum, advice and guidance, assessment for learning, learning to learn, school organization and design, workplace development, new technologies and mentoring. These are addressed through iNet's programs: RATL (Raising Achievement Transforming Learning), the iNet Leadership Suite, Lead Practitioner Networks, Master Classes and Learning Walks in schools demonstrating exemplary practice. In addition iNet offers a National Biennial Conference with international and national thought leaders in educational transformation.
- **The Head of iNet Australia** is Dr Wendy Cahill and the National Office is located in East Melbourne Victoria, where there is a well established Principals' Reference Group (PRG) to ensure the 'for schools by schools' imperative is always the driver of iNet initiatives. PRGs in other states are at various stages of formation. There is an iNet National Strategy Group of significant educators from across the nation who plan national strategy for international networking for educational transformation.