

Another successful conference!

The 2009 SMR Student Wellbeing Conference was held September 16th & 17th. The 250 participants included school teams, Student Wellbeing coordinators, school nurses, agencies, Support Services personnel and school leadership.

Caulfield racecourse again provided an excellent venue for this event where participants' reflected upon key messages from the two keynotes: Mark McCrindle & Paula Barrett (Pathways HRC).



A selection of twenty eight workshops showcased the excellent work that schools, individuals and researchers are achieving to ensure effective and engaging school communities for young people.

Congratulations to those workshop presenters from SMR who shared their work with their peers.

**2010 CONFERENCE DATES:
SEPT 8TH & 9TH
CAULFIELD RACECOURSE**



Programs and Services at Pathways

Pre-school, primary and high school programs for anxiety and depression treatment and prevention including building self-esteem and social skills training.

Adapted from the Friends for Life program and designed specifically for 4, 5, and 6 year olds, Fun Friends teaches emotional resilience that will stay with young children for life.

<http://www.pathwayshrc.com.au/index.php?page=1>

Student Engagement Guidelines

Each sub region has completed a series of FOUR workshops designed to assist schools in their process of writing their Student Engagement policy. Edumail 7418 advises schools to forward their school policy to the regional office by Friday December 11th. This policy commences in full Term 1 2010.

New Youth Homelessness Guidelines

The new 'Supporting Children, Young People and Their Families Affected by Homelessness' guidelines, set out ways in which education professionals, ranging from principals and teachers to welfare workers and school nurses, can offer support to students who are homeless or in risk of homelessness.

<http://www.education.vic.gov.au/healthwellbeing/wellbeing/homelessness.htm>

Anaphylaxis Advice Line: RCH advice line will provide support to schools:-
9345 4235 or 1300 725 911.