



# Victorian Parents Council Annual Seminar

**Thursday 11 June 2015**

**930am – 3pm**

Scotch College Melbourne  
1 Morrison Street Hawthorn Victoria 3122

## **Guest speakers**

**Donna Sirmais**

Project Officer Family-School & Community Partnerships Bureau

**Martine Oglethorpe**

Parent Educator Author and Counsellor

**Catherine Gerhardt**

Director - Kidsproof

**Victorian Parents Council**

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for non-government school parents

## **Bookings**

Members - free registration  
[www.trybooking.com/129338](http://www.trybooking.com/129338)

## **RSVP**

Friday 29 May 2015

## **Enquiries**

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# Our guest speakers



## Donna Sirmais

Project Officer Family-School & Community Partnerships Bureau  
[www.familyschool.org.au](http://www.familyschool.org.au)

‘Moving beyond adhoc approaches to family management; Refining the Family - School Partnerships Framework’

Both families and educators need to recognise the valuable learning experiences which occur within the home and community environment and the funds of knowledge families possess. Recognition of the valuable contribution families make to the learning journey and their roles as educational partners.



## Martine Oglethorpe

Parent Educator Author and Counsellor  
[www.themodernparent.net/](http://www.themodernparent.net/)

‘Parenting in a Digital age: less fights, more connection’

From toddlers to teens, Martine’s comprehensive ebook will give you understanding and proven strategies to help you and your kids navigate the modern world.



## Catherine Gerhardt

Director - Kidsproof  
[www.kidproofschool.com](http://www.kidproofschool.com)

‘Building Better Resiliency - The new rule every parent needs to know’

An honest person will likely admit that at some time in their childhood, they were given this rule. In fact, many parents will admit they continue to pass this rule onto their own children.