

# 2022 VACPSP CONFERENCE

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## Conference Program and Attendee Information Booklet



**MARCH 22 - 25, 2022**

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# ABOUT THE CONFERENCE

With numerous world threatening events taking place - ranging from tensions between the superpowers, to climate change, emerging technologies, viruses and an epidemic of mental health issues, its sometimes hard to have hope. Particularly for our young people.

As we begin to emerge from the shadow of COVID 19 and the huge consequences this has held for educators around the globe and more specifically in our Victorian Catholic Primary Schools, and as the world is placed on "code red for humanity" by the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) new report, it is time for us to come together to hear from amazing world class experts on how our role in creating and developing hope in our students and our school communities can help to change the world!

One of the core principles of an emerging new time is the resurgence of HOPE.

**HOPE BEING THE EXPECTATION OF POSITIVE  
OUTCOMES, THE CHERISHING OF A DESIRE FOR THE  
FUTURE AND CELEBRATING EACH OTHER.**

Now is the greatest time in the world's history where hope and positive change will be the ONLY way forward.

More than ever, the leaders in our Catholic Primary Schools are charged with working together in humanity to develop hope in our students, optimism in our communities and the understanding that together we can create a solution driven future for all. Learning how to make a positive difference in the world is how children can develop confidence, optimism and hope.

As Catholic school leaders, we know leadership starts from within and we must regularly connect and reflect on our mission, beliefs, values, gifts, strengths and limitations. This conference will invite this reflection supporting our personal, spiritual and professional growth as we pray, learn and engage as colleagues.

**"I have said these things to you, that in  
my heart you may have peace. In the  
world you will have tribulation. But  
take heart, I have overcome the world"**  
**John 16:33**



# EVENT DETAILS

Featuring world-class innovative keynotes, interactive sessions, engaging discussions and captivating stories, the 2022 VACPSP Conference will inspire you to deliver hope and enthusiasm to your school community and to Catholic education in Victoria.

Over four thought-provoking days, conference presenters will explore the importance of hope and optimism in education and leadership, building on the interaction of stakeholders in education to inspire and add value to your leadership and educational mission.

“Optimism is the faith  
that leads to  
achievement. Nothing  
can be done without  
hope and confidence.”

Helen Keller

## Conference MC

Adam Spencer

## Keynote Speakers

Dr Jason Fox

Simon Griffiths

Kath Koschel

Tim and Judy Sharp

Catriona Wallace

Steve Sammartino

Craig Reucassel

# CONFERENCE PRESENTERS

## Conference Master of Ceremonies

### Adam Spencer



Adam Spencer is a famous Australian media personality and public mathematician. He likes to describe himself as “nowhere near Australia’s best mathematician - but possibly it’s best known”. Adam was completing a PhD in Pure Mathematics at the University of Sydney when he won a national Raw Comedy championship with Triple J, Australia’s youth radio station. He then went to become one of Australia’s most respected, wittiest and thought provoking breakfast radio commentators across Triple J and later ABC 702. His dexterity at being both mathematical - he has authored 7 best-selling books for talented maths students - and verbal - he was voted best debater in the world at the 1996 World Championships - makes him a curious customer indeed. Adam is currently the Ambassador for Science and Mathematics at the University of Sydney, and his latest book, Maths 101, for Dumb Dads and Desperate Mums, has been released by Hardie Grant.

## Keynote Speaker

### Craig Ruecassel



Craig Ruecassel is the presenter of ABC TV series War on Waste and Fight for Planet A: Our Climate Challenge. His work has led to 452 high-impact waste-reducing initiatives across businesses, schools, universities, government and community organisations. Also an Australian writer and comedian he has written and appeared in a swathe of TV programs including The Election Chaser, CNNNN, The Chaser’s War on Everything

## Keynote Speaker

### Dr Jason Fox



"The Game Changer"

Dr Jason Fox is a bestselling author, leadership advisor & rogue wizard/philosopher. Specialising in Pioneering Leadership & Motivation Design. His clients include the senior leadership teams of Fortune 500 companies, and in 2016 he was named Keynote Speaker of the Year by Professional Speakers Australia. When not liberating the world from the delusion of progress, Jason partakes in extreme sports such as reading, sun avoidance and coffee snobbery.

## Keynote Speaker

### Kath Koschel



#### "The Kindness Factory"

Kath Koschel is the founder of Kindness Factory, a global not for profit movement which inspires ordinary people to do ordinary things. A former professional cricketer and Iron Man competitor, Kath has defied all medical prognoses by teaching herself to walk on three separate occasions. Despite facing other serious personal, mental and physical setbacks, her resilience allowed her not only to overcome these challenges, but also see the good in the world when most others couldn't.

## Keynote Speaker

### Tim and Judy Sharp



#### Laser Beak Man

Tim and Judy Sharp are break-through speakers who share their inspirational story of how a boy diagnosed with severe autism went on to become one of Australia's best-known international artists.

At 11 years of age Tim created a superhero called Laser Beak Man and became the first person with Autism to have his work developed into an animated TV series and theatre production. Tim shares his sense of humour and unique way of looking at the world through his colourful art. His originals are in high demand from collectors and have been exhibited Australia and globally

## Keynote Speaker

### Simon Griffiths



#### "Who Gives a Crap"

Simon is one of Australia's most prominent social entrepreneurs. Simon is the Co-Founder and CEO of Who Gives A Crap, a profit-for-purpose toilet paper company that uses 50% of its profits to build toilets in the developing world. He was also a co-founder of Shebeen, Australia's first non-profit bar, which was located in Melbourne's CBD. In 2011, Simon was recognised by The Age's Melbourne Magazine as one of Melbourne's Top 100 Most Influential People, and in 2013 he was shortlisted for Young Australian of the Year. He is an outstanding entrepreneur and philanthropist who has built two social enterprises, generating donations of almost \$2 million.

## Keynote Speaker

### Steve Sammartino



"The Lessons School Forgot"

Steve is one of the world's most engaging and thought provoking keynote speakers on the Future. The future belongs to those who prepare for it. And no one has a more profound understanding of what it's going to be like than Steve Sammartino. But knowing what the future holds and being able to do something about it are two different prospects, entirely. You need more than a tour guide to get you there. You need innovation in action.

## Keynote Speaker

### Dr Catriona Wallace



Catriona's rare experience as one of the first women leaders in advanced technology means that she is ideally suited to present on these important and highly topical subjects and does so in a way that is highly accessible and informative, non-technical, engaging and inclusive. This unique skill set has also seen Catriona invited to Co-Chair Sir Richard Branson's B Team's Artificial Intelligence Coalition, to sit on the Federal Government's AI Action Initiative team as well as achieve significant industry awards. With a burning passion for and deep knowledge of Artificial Intelligence Catriona believes that sharing knowledge about the responsible use of technology and is her true path and purpose. Catriona is also a philanthropist, human rights activist and mother of five



# Day One

Tuesday 22 March 2022

Time	Venue	Event	Topic
4:00 pm to 5:00 pm	Mantra Foyer	Conference Registration	Registration opens
6:00 pm	Seagrass Lawn	Welcome Drinks and Acknowledgement of Country	Welcome drinks. Acknowledgement of Country introduced by Dr Susan Ryan, Lisieux Catholic PS, Torquay

# Day Two

Wednesday 23 March 2022

Time	Venue	Event	Topic
8:45 am	Convention Room	Conference Opening and Prayer	Dr Helen Healy with Genevieve Bryant
9:00 am	Convention Room	Welcome	Michael Gray, VACPSP President, to welcome attendees and introduce MC
9:15 am	Convention Room	Conference Master of Ceremonies	Adam Spencer
9:30 am	Convention Room	Keynote 1 Craig Ruecassel	Renowned writer and comedian Craig Reucassel
11:15 am	Convention Room	Sponsor Introduction	Compass Education
11:25 am	Mantra Foyer	Morning Tea	Take time to enjoy a break and speak with the fantastic sponsors
11:55 am	Convention Room	VACPSP President	VACPSP Highlights What is a profession? Michael Gray will outline the VACPSP representing and working for principal members in Catholic primary schools in Victoria and discuss the concept of profession and how we can be better together.



## Day Two (continued)

Time	Venue	Event	Topic
12:15 pm	Convention Room	Keynote 2 Dr Jason Fox	The Game Changer
1:15 pm	Convention Room	Sponsor Introduction	Woods Furniture
1:25 pm	Mantra Foyer	Lunch	Take time to enjoy a break and speak with the fantastic sponsors
2:30 pm	Convention Room	Keynote 3 Kath Koschel	The Kindness Factory
3:30 pm	Mantra Foyer	Afternoon Tea	Take time to enjoy a break and speak with the fantastic sponsors Woods Furniture
4:00 pm	Convention Room	Keynote 4 Tim and Judy Sharp	Laser Beak Man
5:00 pm		Conference Day Close	Don't forget to visit our fantastic sponsors on the way out
5:30 pm	Heritage Ballroom	Conference Mass	Join together to celebrate Mass

## Day Three

Thursday 24 March 2022

Time	Venue	Event	Topic
8:45 am	Convention Room	Prayer	Morning prayer with Dr Helen Healy and Genevieve Bryant
9:00 am	Convention Room	Welcome Adam Spencer	Welcome and housekeeping - setting the scene
9:15 am	Convention Room	Keynote 5 Simon Griffiths	Who gives a crap
10:20 am	Convention Room	Sponsor Introduction	CDF and The School Photographer



## Day Three (continued)

Time	Venue	Event	Topic
10:30 am	Mantra Foyer	Morning Tea	Take time to enjoy a break and speak with the fantastic sponsors
11:00 am	Convention Room	Sponsor Introduction	Teeth on Wheels and Class Solver
11:10 am	Convention Room	Keynote 6 Steve Sammartino	The Lessons School Forgot
12:10 pm	Convention Room	Group Discussion	Lead by Adam Spencer
1:00 pm	Mantra Foyer	Lunch	Take away lunches to be collected for afternoon activities
1:00 pm		Personal Time	Principal personal development time
6:00 pm	Mantra Foyer	Pre-dinner Drinks	Brought to you by Staffing Organisation Services
7:00 pm	Convention Room	Conference Dinner and Entertainment	Join together to celebrate the conference. Dinner sponsored by OSH Club. Baker Boys Band to perform

## Day Four

Friday 25 March 2022

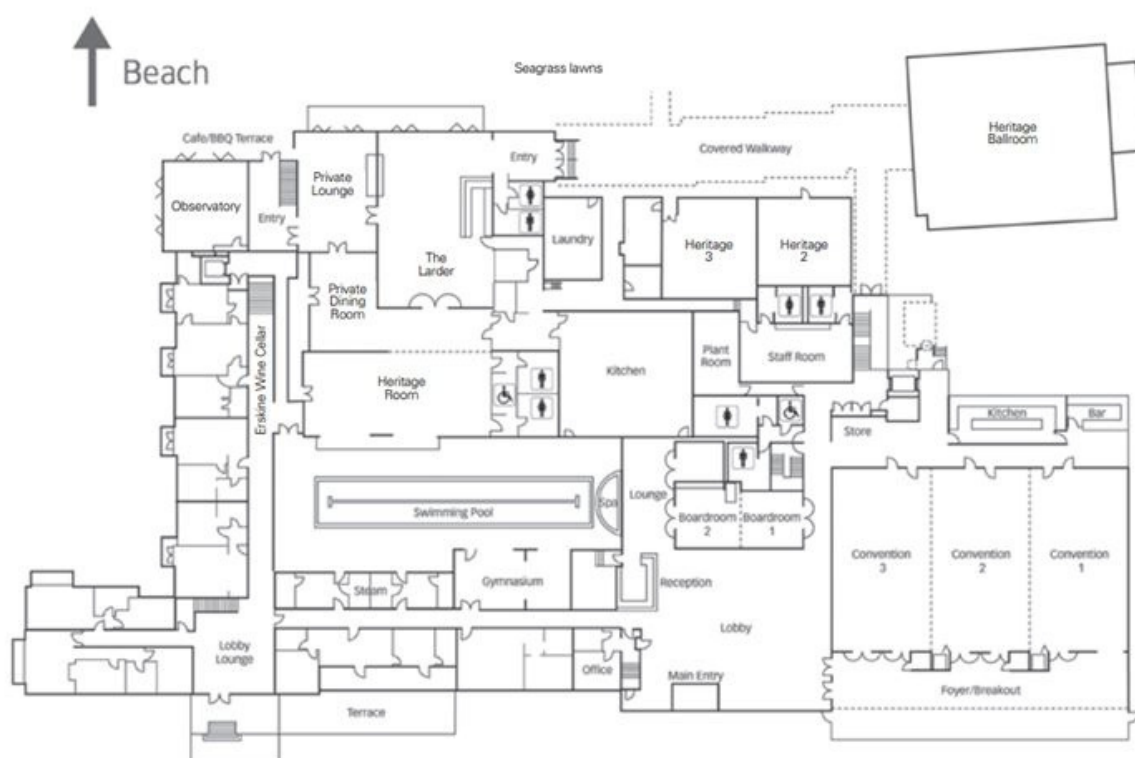
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8:45 am	Convention Room	Prayer	Morning prayer with Dr Helen Healy and Genevieve Bryant
9:00 am	Convention Room	Welcome Adam Spencer	Welcome and housekeeping - setting the scene
9:15 am	Convention Room	Keynote 7 Dr Catriona Wallace	One of the first female leaders in advanced technology
10:30 am	Convention Room	Sponsor Introduction	Simon and Panasonic



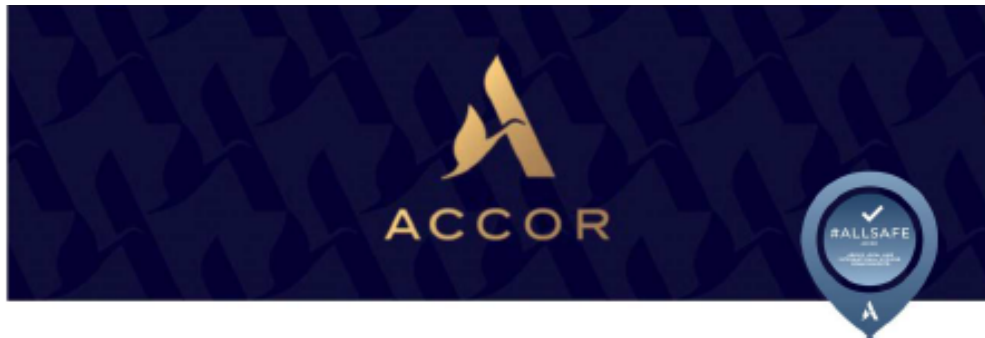
# Day Four (continued)

Time	Venue	Event	Topic
10:30 am	Mantra Foyer	Morning Tea	Take time to enjoy a break and speak with the fantastic sponsors
11:05 am	Convention Room	Keynote 8 Adam Spencer	Keynote wrap and group discussion
12:15 pm	Convention Room	VACPSP President	Michael Gray to wrap up the conference
12:30 pm	Convention Room	Sponsor Raffle	Sponsor raffle prizes - thank you to our fantastic conference sponsors
1:00 pm	Mantra Foyer	Conference end	Take away lunch. Drive safely!

## Venue Map



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The terms are available for download in the [Conference Delegates Folder](#).

Please review the terms carefully to ensure your compliant with those terms.

### Conference Documents

A [Conference Delegates Folder](#) has been established to ensure that delegates have access to all relevant information about the Conference at their convenience. The following documents are contained in the Conference Delegates Folder and are available for your viewing at any time:

- Conference Attendee Information Guide
- Delegates List
- Sponsors List
- Conference Terms and Conditions

Click [here](#) to access the Conference Delegates Folder.

### Questions?

If you have any questions about the Event that are not covered in this document or on the VACPSP Conference website, please feel free to contact us.

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