

Using Web 2.0 to support Teaching and Learning:

A series of one-day hands-on workshops

We invite you to take part in a week-long series of one-day hands-on Web 2.0 workshops facilitated by Web 2.0 guru Chris Smith. Be better prepared as the digital education revolution – NSW program progresses to its full implementation in 2012.

Whether you are new to Web 2.0 or have been using web 2.0 for teaching and learning in your school, these highly hands-on workshops are designed to be relevant and beneficial for all.

Through these workshops participants will become more familiar with Web 2.0 tools, websites and applications. Participants will also be involved in ongoing discussions about how these tools could be used in the classroom.

■ Workshops are conducted in a fully set-up and professional computer training room. Personal computers are supplied. We advise participants to use computers provided - not laptops - to ensure smooth running of the day.

■ A wide range of sessions available to suit all levels of experience. Sessions include: blogs, podcasts, Google extended, a social network for your classroom, beyond Powerpoint, advanced internet applications designed to save teachers time (RSS & PLN), videos in teaching and learning.

These sessions are designed to:

- be of relevance to teacher librarians and classroom teachers in both primary and secondary schools and across all subject areas
- support the work of ICT co-ordinators
- raise awareness of practical application of web 2.0 tools in teaching and learning
- be of interest to senior managers who wish to better their understanding of the new online tools and collaborative opportunities for teaching and learning and teacher professional development

**Places are strictly limited to 40 delegates per workshop.
Book now to ensure your place!**

**For more information and to register visit
www.sybasigns.com.au/seminars**

SYDNEY: Monday 24th May – Friday 28th May, 2010
Cliftons Training Facility, 200 George St, Sydney



About the speaker

Chris Smith regularly facilitates Web 2.0 workshops for schools in Asia. He's well known by many teachers worldwide for developing and managing the website Shambles (www.shambles.net) which brings together 30,000 online resources to support teaching and learning.

Chris was the ICT Advisor for English School Foundation (ESF) in HK where he was responsible for writing, monitoring and evaluating the Foundations overall ICT Development Plan. In 2002 he established a consultancy "The Education Project Asia" to extend these support opportunities to other International Schools across 17 countries in S.E. Asia focused on the "Integration of ICT in Teaching and Learning".

For more information about his online presence and his activities in the Web 2.0 world see his Personal Learning Network at:

www.shambles.net/csmith/pln

Web:

www.shambles.net

Twitter:

<http://twitter.com/shamblesguru>

ePortfolio:

www.shambles.net/csmith

Workshop blog:

australiaworkshops.blogspot.com

Monday 24th May

Using Web 2.0 for teaching and Learning

- Blogs
- Podcasts

Blogs in teaching and learning

9.00am – 12.15pm

What is a blog? (weblog), how do you make one and what can they be used for in teaching and learning? We will answer all of these and you will create one for yourself in real time. We will also look at how to embed images, sound, video and Powerpoints into a blog.

We will end the session looking at "Twitter" (micro blogging) which has (surprisingly) become a very powerful professional development tool for teachers.

Podcasts in teaching and learning

1.45pm – 5.00pm

Podcasts are really very simple (once you have been shown). They are audio (and sometimes video) recordings that are put on the internet (subscribed to) and have the potential to be brilliant resources to use with students and by students of all ages.

We will go through the process of making an audio recording, editing and then putting the file on a website so it can be listened to (and subscribed to) by anyone in the world with an internet connection.

Subscribing to a podcast is done using an RSS aggregator. We will only have time to cover these briefly, if you need to know more about RSS then you are advised to attend one of the other workshops that covers this in more detail. RSS also has the capability of saving teachers a large amount of time if they need to check multiple student podcasts, blogs wikis or websites.

Tuesday 25th May

Using Web 2.0 for teaching and Learning

- Google Extended
- A Social Network for your Classroom

Google Extended

9.00am – 12.15pm

It's highly likely that you are already familiar with the Google search engine (www.google.com). In this session we will take a closer look at some of the not so well known search functions in Google and some of the strategies that could make you and your students better researchers.

Google, though, is now much more than just a search engine. We will also cover some of the other Google applications that are available to educators.

In particular we will look at Google Docs which allows you and your students to set up free collaborative Word documents and spreadsheets online.

In addition you will be shown places to find free (legal) resources for students to use (images, videos and sound files) and how to copyright your own resources.

A Social Network for your Classroom

1.45pm – 5.00pm

In the last few years social (online) networks have grown enormously in popularity with students around the world. But these have not yet been adopted or used by many schools. Quite a number of schools around the world have blocked access on the school network to some of the social network websites such as, "myspace" and "facebook".

In this session we will look at what a social network site is, see some examples and discuss the pros and cons for a school community. We will also look at some ways of setting up your own social network for use with your class, school, or club or even outside work for your own family.

Finally in this session we will look at Second Life, a 3D virtual world that is a potentially valuable tool to support teaching and learning. More than half of UK universities have a presence in Second Life.

Wednesday 26th May

Using Web 2.0 for teaching and Learning

■ Beyond Powerpoint

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9.00am – 5.00pm

Are you or your students becoming bored using PowerPoint as the main tool for producing presentations? Are you or your students suffering from "Death by PowerPoint" or "PowerPointlessness"? Then this session is designed specifically for you (or your students).

We will look at some of the alternatives for spicing up presentations and making them more exciting ... not only using software but also web 2.0 online applications. The alternatives chosen are mainly free, can be learnt in just a few minutes by teachers with very little experience and make use of the slides you have already produced in your old PowerPoints.

We will also look at ways in which students can build and share their presentations collaboratively. In addition you will be shown where to find free (legal) digital resources for presentations (images, videos and sound files) and clarify how to copyright your own resources.

Please note that this is NOT a workshop about PowerPoint although we will be spending time at the beginning covering some of the mistakes students make when presenting and also ensuring we all have at least the basic skills of reducing file sizes and exporting slides.

Please bring a sample PowerPoint presentation with you to this session consisting of about six slides.

Thursday 27th May

Using Web 2.0 for teaching and Learning

- A Social Network for your Classroom
- Advanced Internet Applications designed to save teachers time (RSS & PLN)

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Advanced Internet Applications designed to save teachers time (RSS & PLN)

1.45pm – 5.00pm

Do your Students already have blogs, podcasts, wikis, websites and other online resources? Are you are needing to spend great amounts of time online checking their work?

One of the tools to help with this task is RSS (Really Simple Syndication). In this workshop we will clarify what this is and also set up an RSS aggregator so that the work from the blogs of all of your students can be seen clearly all on one webpage.

We will also look further at what an online "Personal Learning Network" (PLN) is and how it might be visualised and quantified to save you even more time managing your own professional development.

Friday 28th May

Using Web 2.0 for teaching and Learning

- Using Video in Teaching and Learning
- Advanced Internet Applications designed to save teachers time (RSS & PLN)

Using Video in Teaching and Learning

9.00am – 12.15pm

Video as digital media is now highly accessible on the internet and is becoming a more common multimedia resource to use with your students.

We will cover 'where to find videos', and what to do with them once found. We will also look at some of the production and editing tools, especially those that can be used in a web browser.

Other video-related topics covered will be screencasting, streaming video and embedding video into blogs and other webpages ... and, of course, YouTube

If you already have a video camera then please feel free to bring along to show others ... I'll be showing my favourite ... the Flip Camcorder

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These workshops are all supported by a blog where you will find more information about the sessions: australiaworkshops.blogspot.com

Before you attend the workshops it would be appreciated if you would leave a "comment" under the workshop headings to help Chris better plan, organise and run the sessions and to help participants know each other better.

In your comment please give a brief introduction outlining which age groups and subjects you are working with. Also include a sentence or two about what you hope to gain from the workshop. If you want to add more then brilliant, especially if you or your class have a blog or website that you are willing to share.

Note: Please bring your own flash drive and earphones to each workshop.

Registration

REGISTER NOW FOR PAYMENT IN 2010!

Please register me for the following one-day workshops:

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(Blogs & podcasts)
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(Google extended, A social network for your classroom)
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Email: _____

Special dietary requirements: _____

Payment Details

Registration fee: \$300.00 (\$330 GST incl) per day

Registration fee Includes:

- Morning tea, afternoon tea, lunch & refreshments
- Personal computer & internet connection
- Certificate of Participation

Cancellation Policy:

All cancellations will incur a 10% fee.

Cancellations after the 17th May, 2010 will incur the full cost of registration.

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