

# Catholic School Parents Victoria invites parents to share in this unique opportunity for a dialogue session with Lois Vermilya



## Parent Leadership in Catholic Education

**Catholic School Parents Victoria (CSPV)** are delighted to invite you to a parent leadership dialogue session facilitated by guest speaker, Lois Vermilya.

Lois is the Director of the University of New Mexico's Family Development Program: *A Center for Excellence in Early Learning*.

One of the University's oldest centers, the Family Development Program provides statewide professional development in local communities as part of the College of Education's community outreach.

Lois has been a non-profit Executive for over 35 years, leading and consulting with family-centered programs of education as well as community development both in the United States and in Latin America.

Her center is currently contracted by New Mexico's Children, Youth and Families Department to design the state's early childhood family partnership and leadership framework, and to build statewide community-based collaborative leadership capacity to meet state goals for high quality early learning.

Lois has served as a state advisor and master facilitator for Mind in the Making, a major national initiative for the science of early learning. She has also partnered with the Institute for Educational Leadership, home of the National Coalition for Community Schools, for an innovative approach to building early childhood leadership capacity as foundational for elementary community school success. Lois is also a national ZERO TO THREE Fellow and member of the Fellows Academy.

**Catholic School Parents Victoria (CSPV)** are the peak advocacy council representing Catholic school parents across Victoria. *Our vision is for Parents\* of children throughout Victorian Catholic education, to be engaged as valued partners in supporting children's learning, providing leadership and shared decision making alongside educators.*

\*Parent includes natural, adopted or foster parents, guardians or care givers of young people attending Catholic Schools.

Therefore, we want to hear your voice in the room as we share in a dialogue session on the following:

- Parent Leadership – A Framework and values presented by Lois Vermilya
- How are parent groups in schools exploring a 'parent lens' and providing parent voice in schools?
- What do parents think about leadership?
- What types of leadership opportunities can be explored and what will it take to shift the culture of parent leadership in schools?
- What is the CSPV role and capacity to develop a framework for parent leadership across Catholic schools?



To secure your place at this free event click on the booking link below:

Date: Thursday 30th May 2019, 7.00pm – 9.00pm

Light refreshments on arrival at 6.30pm

Venue: St Clare's Primary School - Harbard Street, Thomastown

Secure your booking at [Trybooking](#)

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