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Dear Community Member

The labour market that Norwood Morialta High School prepares its students for has been and continues to be shaped and reshaped by the scope and breadth of technological change. The computerisation of industry has both reduced employment in traditional sectors but also created new and exciting opportunities for our students as they join the workforce. It is our responsibility as a school community to prepare our students for this future.

Professor Stephen Martin states that “creating a culture of innovation must be driven by private sector, educational institutions and government” (2015), Norwood Morialta High School has partnered with other educational institutions in the Morialta partnership to create this culture of innovation. Creating a local network of schools and preschools committed to working collaboratively to develop powerful STEM learners.

STEM is the practical application of Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths to design and build solutions to improve human and environmental well-being. It is the way our traditionally separate disciplines of Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics play out in the real world, where they are integrated and connected, complementing and strengthening each other. Using real world examples and problems, students can see these connections, and their work becomes more engaging and meaningful.

In order to build upon the initiatives that the school has already embarked upon, the school is seeking support from our school community, and the diversity of expertise and experiences within this community that could further aid in the development of STEM learners and a culture of innovation.

The school is now seeking expressions of interest from community members willing to share their expertise and experiences with the student body. Sharing may be through industry visits, mentoring, guest speaking, careers expos and problem solving for industry.

If you are interested in hearing more about this exciting opportunity, please complete an expression of interest available at http://bit.do/expression-of-interest

Thank you for considering to share your expertise and experiences in supporting the school to develop innovative STEM learners.

Yours sincerely

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