“Supporting Our Kids”
*Ian Lillico, International consultant in gender and education*

Wednesday, August 17th
7-9pm
St Michael’s School Hall

Dear St Columba’s Families,

The St Michael’s P&F have invited *Ian Lillico*, a well-respected International consultant in gender and education, to address our school community and share his extensive knowledge with us.

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Dr *Ian Lillico* (father of three sons) is the former Principal of City Beach High School in WA (recently retired) and international consultant in gender, boys’ education and middle schooling. He has done action research in gender throughout Australia and New Zealand from 1992 and in the Northern Hemisphere during his Churchill Fellowship in 2000. He has been with the Education Department of WA for 31 years and has held the positions of Teacher, Head of Department, Deputy Principal and Principal.

This seminar deals with helping boys and girls to grow into great citizens. Ian will outline strategies for parents to assist children in their development along the lines “It takes a Village to raise a child”. The role of still pictures, reading fiction, *digital* homework and many other facets will be examined during the evening. Ian will explain why it is even more difficult for today’s kids to put their minds to reading, writing and numeracy without the assistance of calculators and computers. He will give many *practical strategies* for parents to use to better engage both boys and girls, improve their functional literacy and grow into fine young adults.

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We would like to extend this opportunity to St Columba’s families including parents, grandparents and other adults from within our community. **Tickets are $10 each.**

Seats are limited, so in order to secure your tickets and confirm your attendance, you must **RSVP via email** to Bree Jennings, St Michael’s P&F President at breemcgee@hotmail.com.

RSVP deadline is **Friday 12th August.**

Thank you,

St Michael’s P&F