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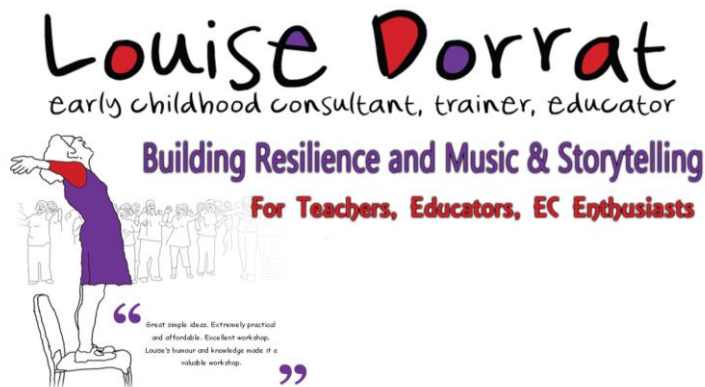
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**Professional Development opportunities**

1. **Visit to Hercules Rd Prep Class (Walker Learning Approach)** Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> November 2015. 3:30pm for afternoon tea, followed by information session at 4pm- 5pm presented by Janelle McArdle who is recently home from a study tour in Melbourne regarding Walker Learning.

Visitors can go to Admin via the large car park on the right as you drive down Hercules Road. The school takes up a good part of this short road. From the Admin building (which cannot be missed from the main entrance), there will be some easels with directions to the Prep room.

2. **Louise Dorrat**- 24<sup>th</sup> February 2016. At North Lakes Golf Club. 4pm- 5:30pm Building Children's Resilience in this risk averse world; 5:30-6pm cheese platters, tea & coffee (bar available), 6-7:30pm Music and storytelling in an inclusive environment.



Louise teaches at Deakin University Melbourne and previously taught music at Victoria University and Swinburne. Louise has extensive experience in managing early childhood services. Louise's energetic workshops have taken her around Australia. Her presentations are at once engaging, entertaining and educative.

**Testimonials from delegates at ECTA Conference who attended these sessions**

Session 1: This was the best workshop I have ever attended! I was in stitches the whole time and it was very entertaining and informative!! / Wow - so many ideas in an interactive session. Very inclusive strategies with low cost or re purposed goods rather than services purchasing and suitable for broad range of ages and settings.

Session 2: Louise always offers an energetic, intriguing workshop which shows the reality of today's modern world and how to respond to it. / Louise was fantastic so energetic and passionate and delivered her presentation in a very relatable way, showing educators how to really implement the information she was giving. / Fantastic presenter, very dynamic presentation and some excellent ideas to take away.