

Child Care Connections

SO LONG SUMMER, WELCOME AUTUMN!

FALL 2010

Here we are again. Another fantastic summer is coming to a close, although forecasters are predicting that mother nature has happily decided to keep us in the warmth of a long extended summer! I am sure that many of you are gearing up for the busyness of September and looking forward to the new beginnings that fall bring.

I have been working over the summer to tally the results from the professional development survey that many of you participated in back in June and July. The information I have been able to gather from that survey and through the network meetings has given me the direction I needed to put the fall PD calendar together. I would like to thank everyone who filled out the survey and sent it back. In the coming weeks, I will be posting the results from the survey on the RTB website so that you can see what our community had to say about what they need to fulfill their professional goals.

I would like to encourage you to visit the Raising the Bar website (www.raisingthebartbo.ca), to view the fall 2010 network and professional development calendars. There is something for everyone on the schedule and so much more.

This fall there is a focus on building your resiliency as an educator (Reaching In... Reaching Out). Taking care of yourself and developing an understanding of what you need in order to do the best work you can is a vital component to high quality child care. The Reaching In... Reaching Out theories go hand in hand with the principles of the DECA, and help build a stronger understanding of resilience in all of us.

The plan for this fall also includes more workshops on implementing the DECA. I understand that it is difficult enough to get the assessments done, and that going to the next step of setting goals and putting them into action is even more challenging. We have planned a two part workshop that has the potential to become something ongoing and will tackle the challenges of putting the rest of the DECA into action. If this is something you are interested in, I would love to see you there!

The DECA Mentors met over the summer to discuss the progress in our community and to look at next steps and future goals. We had a great talk about where we are and where we would like to go, as well as the very real challenges to getting there. We thought that it would be important to find out what your thoughts are and what your needs might be, so we would like to send out another survey later this fall to gain a better understanding of what you think of the DECA, how you are using it and what you think the community's next step should be. The DECA mentors and I look forward to reading your responses and making plans for the future. So keep an eye out for the survey coming to you in October.

I hope that you are ready for a great autumn and will continue to venture out to the networking meetings, workshops and forums planned in the coming months.

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Early Childhood Educator Appreciation Banquet

Thursday October 28th

6:30 p.m.

Naval Association - Admiral Hall

Invitations arriving soon...





Kids Are Worth It!

Barbara Coloroso is an internationally recognized speaker and author in the areas of parenting, teaching, school discipline, non-violent conflict resolution and reconciliatory justice. She is an educational consultant for school districts, the medical and business community, the criminal justice system and other educational associations around the world.

Barbara has served as a classroom teacher, a laboratory school instructor, and a university instructor. She is the author of five international bestsellers: *Kids Are Worth It*; *Just Because It's Not Wrong, Doesn't Make it Right*; *The Bully, the Bullied and the Bystander*; *Extraordinary Evil*; *Parenting Through Crisis*

Strath MacLean Child Care Centre is proud to present

An Evening with Barbara Coloroso

Wednesday, September 29th

Adam Scott Collegiate

Tickets: \$25.00

Early Learning Professionals, Teachers, Parents, Caregivers and all other professions related to the care of young children are welcome to attend.

Tickets are available at :
Strath MacLean Child Care Centre,
Play and Learn Store (Lansdowne St., behind A & W),
the Peterborough Family Resource Centre,
Raising the Bar/Trent Child Care Administration office



Professional Development

Emotional Impact of Separation and Divorce on Children

Separation and divorce can take a huge toll on families. This workshop is for childcare providers and others working with children. Kinark Preschool Consultation Program in partnership with 4 Counties Mediating Services will provide in-service training for early childhood educators on children's responses to divorce and remarriage at different developmental stages and what professionals can do to support children and their families through the processes of divorce and stepfamily formation. Practical strategies and handouts will be provided in this two-hour workshop.

Presenters:

Michelle Erridge, Pre School Consultant with FCCC and Kinark
David Tonge, Executive Director with Family Court Assessment Service and Director of Four Counties Family Mediation Service

Tuesday October 5th

6:30 - 8:30

**The Learning Circle Child Development Centre
681 Monaghan Rd. S.**

DECA: I've Done the Assessments, Now What?

Part I: Tuesday October 26th

Part II: Tuesday November 30th

6:30 – 8:30

Location: TBA.

Cost: Free

Presented by: Debi Paul & Trish Bucholtz

Description:

In this 2 part workshop, participants will discuss moving beyond the assessment and into setting goals for children and how to implement those goals into their program. We will discuss the challenges of implementing goals and work together to come up with possible solutions.

Life Long Learning Conference & Trade Show

Date: Wednesday Oct 20th, 2010

Conference Time: 8:15 am to 3:30 pm

Trade Show: 11:30 am to 6:00 pm

Key Note Speaker: Susan Minns

Location: Living Arts Centre

4141 Living Arts Drive, Mississauga L5B 4B6

It's Child's Play... And It Matters! 2nd Annual Haliburton Conference

Keynote Speaker: Brian Nichols

Friday October 1st

Saturday October 2nd

Pinestone Resort and Conference Centre
Haliburton ON

Visit the RTB website for details

Looking Beyond Behaviour

Blending early childhood and children's mental health; common psychological disorders in young children
The most common childhood psychological disorders – ADHD, ODD, anxiety and many more - are discussed in a user-friendly manner that includes examples and recommended practices specific to early childhood settings. This workshop will discuss causes, symptoms, typical behaviours, effective interventions, and common medication and their side effects.

Presenters: Kelly Nesbitt-Cullon (Kinark Child and Family Services)
Dr. Lucia Bohorquez (Kinark Child and Family Services)

Tuesday November 9th

6:30 - 8:30

Location: TBD

To register for a workshop, call/email **775-2811** or **trishb@raisingthbarptbo.ca**

For full details on conferences and registration packages, visit the Raising the Bar Peterborough website

www.raisingthbarptbo.ca

Child Care Networks

All Networks are from 6:30 to 8:00 (Unless otherwise stated).
New members are always welcome and encouraged to participate.

September

RTB Supervisor's Network

PM: September 9th 1:00 - 2:30

AM: September 10th 9:00 - 10:30

RTB Office (236 Parkhill Rd. E.)

School Age Network: September 9th

Location: St. Patrick Day Care Centre

300 Otonabee Dr.

Infant/Toddler Network: September 15th

Location: Nursery Two - St. John

746 Park St. S.

Preschool Network:

In lieu of a September network meeting, please register
for the child care centre tours.

October

Assistant Supervisors: October 6th

Location: RTB Office

Cook's Network: October 12th

Location: Trent Child Care—Campus

new!

Apprentice Network: October 14th

RTB Office

(for those working on their ECE through an apprenticeship
program, or would like to learn more about such programs.)

Science Network: October 27th

Centre Educatif Les Petits Curieux
186 Romaine St.

Do you have an idea for a new network? Tell us about it at... trishb@raisingthebartbo.ca

Facilitating Groups Workshop

This workshop is for anyone interested in being a leader of a networking group. This two part workshop will cover the theory of facilitating a network, give you hands on experience with leading a group through a topic as well as offering great tips for dealing with challenging situations in a group setting.

Part I Monday September 13th

Part II Wednesday September 22nd

Time: 6:30 - 8:30

Location: Raising the Bar Office (236 Parkhill Rd. E.)