

## UNDERSTANDING THE KEY PRINCIPLES OF THE TEACCH FRAMEWORK

An evidence-based practice for students with ASD and Developmental Disabilities

DATE: Thursday September 5, 2013

WHERE: EASTERN RANGES SCHOOL

PROFESSIONAL LEARNING CENTRE

56 Dorset Road (Cnr Alma Avenue), Ferntree Gully 3156

TIME: 9:00am - 12:30pm

SEMINAR PRESENTERS: DR ANNA BORTOLI (ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL), GAIL PRESTON (PRINCIPAL)

COST: \$30 (includes morning tea and handouts)

Eastern Ranges School is a specialist school for students with ASD and currently it is a P-7 school. In 2012, the PCO team commenced the TEACCH training with Division TEACCH in North Carolina and in 2013 Gail and Anna returned to Division TEACCH to complete the Advanced Training in the TEACCH framework. In 2012, we conducted a pilot study with 5 classrooms and the results from this pilot confirmed that this was the direction for our teaching practice at Eastern Ranges School. The roll-out of the TEACCH framework on a school-wide basis commenced in Term 2, 2013, in which Anna provided a 2-week coaching intervention, with the assistance of the two Leading Teachers who initially shadowed her, who then independently coached classrooms in their Departments.

Now that the TEACCH framework is a school-wide teaching approach, we have observed significant changes in student engagement and self-regulation. As a result, we consider the TEACCH framework to be our response to the School-wide Positive Behaviour Support Program.

This half-day seminar will be an introduction for school personnel, early intervention practitioners and service providers who work with students on the Autism Spectrum and with Developmental Disabilities. From the visual data gathered during the pilot and the coaching this year, you will see why this is the preferred teaching framework for our school. In 2014, we will be running a spaced-learning training program of Structured Teaching, which will involve working in our Demonstration Classroom with mentor students and teachers from Eastern Ranges School. You can lodge an expression of interest for this training program on this day.

PLEASE COMPLETE REGISTRATION FORM WITH PAYMENT AND RETURN TO EASTERN RANGES SCHOOL



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School Name:
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Please make all <u>cheques</u> payable to Eastern Ranges School
Credit Card Details
Please debit my credit card for the amount of \$
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Please complete all details and return to: Attention Audrey Brewis Eastern Ranges School PO Box 400, Ferntree Gully 3156