Transition to School

Facilitating positive outcomes for children, their families, schools and the community

Wednesday 18 July 2012
Brisbane Forum

Location:
Kedron Wavell Services Club
Kittyhawk Drive (off Hamilton Rd)

Time:
5.45pm - 6.30pm
Light refreshments & networking
6.30 - 8.30pm
Starting School presentation

Room:
Community Centre

Cost:
$15.00 per person pay on entry

To register:
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R.S.V.P Friday 13 July 2012

The Ready Together – Transition to School Program is an Australian Government funded partnership program between the C&K Association (C&K) and Mission Australia's Inala to Ipswich Communities for Children (C4C). The program has two components:

- the engagement and education of parents and early childhood professionals to support young children’s language and literacy development
- the engagement of the school community, professionals and community services to deliver resources which support parents and children to learn about their school, and develop confidence to take part in the school community

Assc Prof Kay Margetts

Kay Margetts is Associate Professor in Early Childhood Studies in the Melbourne Graduate School of Education at the University of Melbourne. Kay has undertaken significant research and published widely in the area of children's transition and adjustment to school. She is a founding member of an international research group focusing on children's transitions, and founding editor of the International Journal of Transitions in Childhood. Kay regularly provides professional development to schools and early childhood services around transition and adjustment to school.

In this interactive presentation Kay will address:
- research findings related to the transition to school
- challenges for children as they commence school
- strategies for supporting transition and adjustment to school

Michele Binstadt

Michele is employed by C&K to coordinate the Ready Together – Transition to School Program - a partnership program between Mission Australia’s Communities for Children (Inala to Ipswich) and C&K. Michele has a background in psychology and early childhood education. Michele’s publications include:
- the Ready Together resources,
- an article about the Ready Together – Transition to School program in the International Journal of Transitions in Childhood.

Michele will provide an overview of the Inala to Ipswich Ready Together – Transition to School Program. This program focuses on the importance of relationships and the need for families, schools, early childhood services and communities to work together to support the transition to school. Michele will also discuss the importance of advocating for a universal state-wide transition to school program.