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OUR VISION IS TO ENABLE EVERY CHILD TO LEARN TO HIS OR HER FULL POTENTIAL



OUR MISSION IS TO MAKE THE MOVE TO LEARN MOVEMENT SEQUENCES AVAILABLE TO EVERY CHILD IN EVERY CLASSROOM

e-mail A Big Shout out to our VIP's! Daku Seminar, 2008! It's On!



We've had a good response for our Fijian seminar & we have now confirmed our booking & settled the deposit.

Items on the Agenda:

- Presentation of the results of the 2007 research & discussion of the 2008 research project.
- Development of 'Wet' Move to Learn, a method whereby the Move to Learn exercises can be translated for use in water.
- Presentations, lectures, workshops & discussion topics including:

Insights into the use of teacher's aides, More about Primitive reflexes, Music & Kinesiology, The small school, country perspective, **Behavioural Optometry** Movement & music. Sound Therapy

Focus: The focus of the seminar will be on networking & the sharing of ideas.

Participants will have the opportunity to share their own work & to hear of all the other exciting achievements of their peers in the field of Learning Difficulties. We hope to build support networks to encourage the ongoing sharing of information & resources.

Accommodation Package: For a total cost of AUD \$980.00 & GST, you will receive twin share accommodation for 8 days 7 nights from August 3rd to 10th.

This price includes food, transport to & from the airport, evening entertainment, two excursions & the Move to Learn Seminar registration fee.







Daku Seminar, 2008!



We've got a solid, & fascinatingly interesting group of about 20 people confirmed but we have a few more places that we are holding for those who may be trying to organise their availability or for new contacts. The more the merrier! It's not too late to book a place. So, if you have any questions or would like to book, please give Stacey a call at our office on (+61 2 9907 7048).



One of our participants, Madi Simmons, will be running her own retreat at the resort directly after ours. In case any of you might be interested, we've included her contact details with this missile. It could be a great opportunity to make the best of the airfare! Move to Learn is not connected with this retreat, however, so you'll need to contact Madi directly for any further information about her retreat.

(+61 2 6847 6220) or visit www.dakuresort.com



KUNDALINI YOGA RETREAT @ DAKU RESORT FIJI 10th - 17th AUGUST 2008 with Mary-Anne Spitera (Hari Das) & Madi Simmons (Atma Bir)



We're Going Global & Speaking In Many Tongues!

'Ten Gems for the Brain' has now been translated into Chinese, Urdu & Telegu, & we are exploring the possibilities of a translation into Swahili, Zulu, Xhosa, Botswanan, Namibian, Seychelles Creole, French & Arabic!

Many thanks to the tireless work of Mahati Belnick in India & Susanne van Niekerk in South Africa.

We hope soon to be adapting our website to include some information in Chinese as well as a separate section for the selling of Chinese translations of Help Your Child to Learn & Ten Gems for the Brain, but copies of other language translations will only be available directly through our distributors. We will provide easy links & information once everything is finalised, but until then, if anyone is interested in any of the other language translations mentioned, please feel free to contact the office.

Meanwhile, on the English front, our books & DVDs have been selling in 6 of the 7 continents. The website & e-books have been opening up whole new markets.

The message is getting out there!

A Testimony From One Of Our VIP's

I wanted to let you know I have just completed my Move to Learn presentation that I rang & asked for your assistance with, prior to doing it.

What a fabulous response I received. There were approximately 40 - 50 teachers & teacher aides who work with children in Prep, Yr 1, Yr 2 or Yr 3. I thought there were going to be about 10 people. The increase in numbers just made the presentation all the more fun & interactive. The principal of the school who invited me there really sang the praises of our work which includes the Move to Learn programme of course. That added to the credibility of it all.

I had some fabulous feedback from some of the attendees about how they felt they were able to go away, read the literature & then implement it in their classrooms. I also received an invitation to go along to another school to do the presentation they had just seen me do. So I thought that was a sign things were off to a good start.

Thank you again for your support.

Jillian Ballantyne Occupational Therapist Townsville



Research Project for OTs

We have the opportunity to run a separate research project for Occupational Therapists!

After an enquiry by a keen therapist who desperately wanted to be involved in our 2008 research project, Dr Christine Chapparo suggested that we run a separate project just for Australian OTs.

She feels that it would be a wonderful opportunity to measure motor function, & that we may find that the children's motor skills will show the greatest improvement of all measures we have been looking at so far. Occupational Therapists could administer a standardised motor test to measure changes with/without the program & Christine is happy to construct a small study - just for them to do.

Initially, we're looking for OTs who service regular schools who could have teachers (K - 3) who would be willing to do the program for a term - the OTs would test each individual child before & after on the Clinical Observations (Ayres) & perhaps another short motor measure.

But we could also involve independent OTs who would be able to put some children 'on hold' without the program for some weeks - then introduce the MTL at a later stage. If they can do this (ethically) it would be OK. We'd need to measure the progress of the children without the program as well as with.

If any OTs out there would be interested & able to participate in the study, please contact Jini or Stacey in the Move to Learn office.

Until Next Month, Keep on Rolling!

From The Move to Learn Team Barbara, Jini, Stacey & Rick



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