

P10X Parent Newsletter

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October Parent Workshop

On October 14, 2010, P10X Parent Workshop: "Circle of Support", was informative and well received. The workshop was facilitated by two of our teachers who teach our 6:1:1 population and one of our social workers at our P10X Main Site.

Parents were divided into two groups. Each group were asked different questions from different categories, such as:

1. Share your experiences in noticing developmental problems, seeking diagnosis, and finding services;
2. Share the impact on the family of having a child with developmental problems, including the parents, the siblings, the extended family, friends and social life;
3. Share where your family finds support or how you have accommodated; and
4. Share what has been helpful and what has not, and any advice you might have to

teachers/professionals about working with families.

The questions were obtained from Division of TEACCH parent panel training in North Carolina and PROJECT DOCC, a parent panel training associated with Montefiore Hospital and the Family Learning Place in the Bronx.

Parents were also given a question sheet from the Division TEACCH Summer Training 2010 Parent Journal. Parents answered questions under different categories, such as:

1. Schedules and routines
2. Communication
3. Independence and chores
4. Leisure
5. Social

Thanks to all who attended and shared there stories and experiences.

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Parent-Teacher Conferences

These conferences are held twice during the school year so that you have an opportunity to meet with your child's teacher and learn more about the teaching approach and materials and how your child is doing in class. This will also be an opportunity for you to share your questions or concerns with your child's teachers. In order to help you prepare for this conference, on page 2 are some questions that you can use in your conversation with your child's teachers. Ultimately, we hope that during this meeting, you and your child's teachers will discover ways that

you can work together to support the learning and growth of your child.

It is so important that you attend this conference and meet with both the classroom teachers and related service providers.

Please make every effort to come. Your child's teachers are looking forward to meeting with you.

Upcoming Events

- ◆ School Closed
Nov 2nd, 11th, 25th and 26th
- ◆ Parent-Teacher Conferences
Dates and times distributed
- ◆ Book Fair - Nov 12th
- ◆ 7th Annual Fall Ball
Nov 19th
- ◆ Parent Workshop
Dec 9th

Questions Parents/Guardians Can Ask the Teacher at the Conference



*“An Involved Parent
is
An Informed Parent”*

1. How well does my child get along with other kids? With you, the teacher? With staff and aides?
2. What areas of school work is my child strong in?
3. What areas of schoolwork does he/she need work in?
4. Does it matter that my child is not very developed in some or many areas that other children seem to have no problems in?
5. Do you think my child is working up to her/his abilities?
6. How does my child express his/her emotions, like anger or frustration?
7. What are some of the positive things my child does in class?
8. What ways do you as the teacher reward or punish behaviors?
9. Does my child work better with other children or alone?
10. How do you grade your students?
11. What things can I do at home to help my child?
12. How much homework help do you think the parents should give?
13. How much time should my child be spending on homework each night?
14. Do you think my child's homework could use some improvement?
15. What are your requirements for homework being on time?
16. What consequences do the children face when homework is late?
17. What can we do together to create a positive collaboration and team, and stay excited about working for the growth of my child?

Book Fair - We Need Your Help!

Dear Parents and Guardians:

Volunteer to assist at this year's Scholastic Book Fair. All P10X students, with signed permission slips, will be coming to the [Main Site](#) to buy books. The Book Fair will be from 9:00am to 1:00pm. We would appreciate *any* amount of time you can spare to set up/clean-up, assist students with purchases, and be of assistance wherever needed.

Parent Workshop December 9, 2010

The Next Parent Workshop will be held on Thursday, December 9, 2010, 9:00 a.m. at:

P10X Main Site
2750 Lafayette Avenue
Bronx 10465
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Facilitators: Speech Therapists
Ms. Melanie Marcus
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Details to follow...