

## Enhancing Literacy Skills in P-3 Years

Griffith University EcoCentre  
Griffith University- 170 Kessels Road, Nathan (Brisbane)

Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> April 2010  
9.00am – 3.30pm

Literacy is cornerstone of learning and is fundamental to success at school, in the workforce and in life. To be literate within contemporary society requires students to read, write, talk, listen and think critically in order to understand written, visual and technologically based information. It is therefore crucial for children to develop these foundation skills at the earliest possible time in their school years

The workshop aims to give participants an overview of skills underpinning literacy success and some practical strategies to identify student stumbling blocks. It will also focus on how best to prioritise and target core areas of student need. Areas addressed will include phonological awareness, oral language and reading.

**Aims/objectives** of the workshop is to provide participants with an overview with regard to:

- critical areas for literacy success
- early identification of students who are “at risk” or struggle with literacy based tasks
- practical classroom strategies for small group work to enhance literacy outcomes.

This one day workshop is suitable for early education providers, childcare workers, school support staff and professionals working with children from 4 ½ - 8 years.

Arrival tea/coffee, morning tea and lunch provided.

### About the Presenter

**Shareen Forsingdal** (Research Masters by Clin Sp Qual, BArts, BSpThy)

Shareen has worked as a speech pathologist for nearly 17 years. She has worked in both educational, health settings and private practice during this time and thus is aware of the impact of early foundation skills to school transition and beyond. She has provided ongoing presentations to varied professionals over the years, particularly in the areas of emergent literacy, oral language and in communication delays/disorders. She has a special interest in enhancing children’s phonological awareness skills in the early school years and with utilising visualisation methods to aid children’s comprehension of oral and reading tasks.

**Registrations** for this workshop are now open (see below). Please contact Zi Mei Events on [info@zimei.com.au](mailto:info@zimei.com.au) or (07) 3847 8375 for further workshop enquiries.

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### Workshop Participant Information

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation/ Position: \_\_\_\_\_

Organisation: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Town/Suburb: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Post Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have any special requirements? (e.g. dietary requirements, access, etc.):  Yes  No

### Payment Details

\$155(GST inc) **Early Bird Registration** (registration and payment received prior to 12<sup>th</sup> March 2010)

\$195 (GST inc) **Standard Registration** (registration and payment received after 12<sup>th</sup> March 2010)

**Payment via Cheque/Money Order** (please make out to Zi Mei Events):

Cheque  Money Order  Bank Cheque

### Payment via Direct Debit

Please include the **participant's name as the reference** when making a direct debit deposit

**ANZ Bank Account:** Zi Mei Events      **BSB** 014 313      **Acc No** 485 291 802

### Payment Via Credit Card

payment is available via credit card using Paypal facilities. Participants wishing to use this payment method will be emailed further information regarding payment. Please ensure correct email details provided above. Please note an additional service fee of 2.5% applies to all credit card transactions.

### Please return Registration Forms to:

**Zi Mei Events**

PO Box 685

Stones Corner Q 4120

[info@zimei.com.au](mailto:info@zimei.com.au) or Phone/Fax (07) 3847 8375

### Registration Confirmation

Workshop Participants will receive a confirmation email on receipt of their registration form and payment. The confirmation email will include further details with regard to access to venue and parking. If you have not received a confirmation email within 5 days of registering – please contact us so that we can confirm we have received your registration and payment. Please note that we are unable to guarantee a place on the workshop until both registration and payment have been received.

### Registration Closing Date

Thursday 1st April, 2010