

PLAY & SOCIAL COMPETENCY GROUP Holiday Workshops – Melbourne, July 2018

Partners in Communication and Melbourne Kids Therapy are offering workshops over the July holidays (2nd – 4th July and/or 9th – 11th July 2018) for kinder/primary school children. These workshops will be run with Speech Pathologists and an Occupational Therapist and use the Social Thinking® methodology as seen in The Incredible Flexible You®, We Thinkers®, Social Thinking and Me® and Superflex® (produced by www.socialthinking.com) together with the 'Zones of Regulation' by Leah Kuypers.

These programs are a Social Thinking® curriculum for early childhood and are designed for 4-9 year olds. Groups will be tailored according to ability and age. Minimum numbers required.

These groups are for children who are in their early primary years. They might have difficulties with:

- Listening and attending
- Initiation and maintaining conversations
- Relating socially
- Negotiating and compromising
- Making and maintaining friendships

These groups aim to better equip children with the skills required to play with others, learn in a group and consider the thoughts and feelings of themselves and others.

Group structure:

The groups are for 4-5 children together with a speech pathologist, occupational therapist and experienced assistants. They run for a duration of 1 hour 45 mins, with parents returning 20 mins prior to the end of the session for the feedback component.

Activities comprise:

- Thinking with your eyes/joint attention
- Interpreting the context/situation
- Whole body listening
- Expected/unexpected behaviours
- Social behaviour mapping
- Free play facilitating session targets
- Social games

When: Mon 2nd – Wed 4th July and/or Mon 9th – Wed 11th July

Where: 243 Hawthorn Rd, Caulfield North

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Costs: FaHCSIA clients: \$150 per session. Non FaHCSIA: \$135 per session, payments to be made in advance.

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