



PEAK Consulting, LLC

(Parenting, Education & Advocacy for Kids)



ONE STEP AHEAD!

Understanding and raising a gifted / highly able child

(A Seminar for Parents of Gifted and Highly Able Children)



Raising gifted children can be both delightful and challenging. Whilst we want to nurture and encourage their bright, enthusiastic and creative minds, we also want to provide them with a sense of boundaries, respect for others, and a feeling of security. The very nature of gifted children; their heightened intensities, and their unique perspectives on the world set them apart from many of their peers. Discipline need not be another area in which these children are singled out. Although they will always have a “better idea” or a “valid reason” for what they do, we as parents need to stay that “One Step Ahead” to ensure that we anticipate, prepare for, understand and explain the many challenges and frustrations that regularly occur. “One Step Ahead” is an information seminar for parents of gifted children, looking at ways in which we can fulfil our role as parents, guiding and supporting gifted children in a positive, respectful and dignified manner.

This parent information evening addresses the following issues:

- What sets gifted children apart?
- Discipline - 10 Secrets to Success
- The “HOT” issues (parent perspectives)
- Where things can go wrong
- Discipline methods / Behaviour management
- Developmental / Cognitive issues
- Systems that work
- Self-esteem and happiness

I wanted to say thank-you for organising such a worthwhile Dimensions forum for parents last Thursday. Ideas that range from small and specific to broad and philosophical made for a most valuable presentation by Alison. Well done to all - I think every parent and teacher should attend an informative, positive session like this regularly! Much appreciated. (Parent)

DATE: Day or Evening sessions
TIME: 1 ½ hour presentation followed by question time / discussion
VENUE: School library / auditorium / local venues as arranged
COST: \$15.00 per adult or \$200 per hour flat rate

Alison Brown is a registered Australian psychologist, an experienced teacher and a parent. She was a committee member and Vice President of the Victorian Association for Gifted and Talented Children over six years, has presented at a number of state, national and international conferences in the areas of technology, gifted education, and psychology, and has provided extensive consultation and training programs to schools in Victoria, New South Wales, Queensland, Switzerland and Germany. Having taught for seven years at Methodist Ladies' College, Melbourne and worked as a school psychologist at Mosman Preparatory School and Kincoppal-Rose Bay, Sydney, she has first-hand experience in recognizing and catering for the social, emotional, and academic needs of students. With a post-graduate degree in child and adolescent psychology, Alison established a private practice in Melbourne, in 2004, with a particular interest in the areas of parenting, counseling, and gifted children. Alison is currently based in New Jersey, USA, working as a consultant and advocate through seminars, parent workshops, forums, and individual consultations. She is a trustee on the board of the New Jersey Association for Gifted Children, and currently completing a PhD through La Trobe University.

To enquire about available dates & times, or to arrange a school-based / district-based seminar, contact:

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