



REGGIO CHILDREN

International Conference



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The REGGIO CHILDREN Conference

>>> 28, 29, 30 June 2011

An internationally acclaimed insight into Early Childhood Development presented by delegates from Reggio, Italy in person.

Venue: St Mary's School, Waverley, Johannesburg

Conference Fee: R2500 including lunch and light refreshments

For enquiries, registration forms and general conference information, please email Bridget Walton at waltonrb@global.co.za or eva@stmary.co.za

Drawing much attention and interest from both the State and Private Early Childhood Sector, St Mary's, Bellavista School and The Ridge School are proudly hosting the first Reggio Children Conference in South Africa at the end of June 2011.

This approach has been successful in Reggio Emilia since 1945 and is now evident in over 90 countries. We believe that we can take lessons from the model to help us build strong children, enabled and equipped learners who will deeply impact our society. South Africa needs solutions. The Reggio philosophy applied in education offers our country a future and a hope.

To whet your appetite...the schools in this quiet Italian community were created to honour the belief that all children are intelligent: a truth, an aspiration and a commitment. The approach believes in the defense and promotion of the rights and potential of all children. The constructivist theory is applied. The work of Piaget, Vygotsky, Dewey, Froebel and Montessori are evident but Loris Malaguzzi's more recent approach to educating the youngest children and providing constant opportunities for creative thinking and learning is one that abounds.

Educators like Jerome Bruner and Howard Gardner comment on the approach and agree that it is one in which each child's intellectual, emotional, social and moral potential is carefully cultivated and guided. Gardner states that, "To my mind no place in the contemporary world has succeeded so splendidly as the schools of Reggio Emilia."

IF YOU WORK WITH YOUNG CHILDREN - YOU NEED TO REGISTER!