



Association of Early Childhood Education and Development

(Mumbai branch)

in collaboration with



Sir Vithaldas Thackersey College of Home Science (Autonomous)

SNDT women's university, Mumbai

Invites you to a seminar on

"NURTURING COMMUNICATION, LANGUAGE AND LITERACY IN YOUNG LEARNERS"

Established in 1964, AECED (earlier known as Indian Association of Preschool Education) is a nationally registered body. Today it is recognized as a significant organization working for the benefit of young children, teachers and parents.

AECED Mumbai in collaboration with SVT College of Home Science is organizing a two-day seminar to bring together Early Years Professionals and deliberate on research, good practices and strategies as well as exchange ideas to nurture communication, language and literacy in

Within a socio-cultural framework, literacy is viewed as a complex interactive and interpretative process whose development is determined by its cultural and social factors.

-Linda Dorn, 1996, An international Journal of Early Literacy, a Vygotskian Perspective on Literacy Acquisition

young learners. With the focus on "Quality Education" in the NPE 2016, and ECCE policy 2013, AECED foregrounds a strong early language and literacy programme as one of the main indicators of quality.

Attend this seminar and distil for yourself the knowledge, skills, attitude and dispositions to nurture communication, language and literacy in young learners. This seminar will especially benefit key decision makers of language policies and programmes in early years' settings. So, we keenly invite Leaders of Preschools/Early Years Settings; Coordinators; Lead Teachers to attend. This will also lead to enriching discussions and deliberations.

Seminar Goals

The seminar is structured for a reflective enquiry into what's working and what's not in the world of early language and literacy. It broadly aims to-

- Discuss the need for and **strategies to create rich multilingual environments** that bring forth the words and worlds of young learners
- Provide opportunities for **skill development in the use of music, rhymes and chants; storytelling; read-aloud, conversations, games, routines etc. as catalysers of language and literacy development**
- **Approach language holistically and constructively** acknowledging perspectives, prior knowledge and contexts of early learners
- Discuss and support **the development of emergent literacy** along a continuum which provides essential scaffolding for the emergent reading and writing attempts of children
- Discuss **the role of the early years' practitioners, parents and others in the ecosystem** in nurturing Communication, language and literacy in the early years
- **Engage with tried and tested models of good practice** from varied familiar contexts
- **Analyze media usage patterns** and impact on language and literacy of early learners

Seminar Agenda

Day 1- 3/02/2017

Session	Resource person	Time
Session 1		
<i>Introduction to the theme</i> -Nurturing the needs of a multi lingual learner in Early Years settings	Dr. Nandita Chaudhary Associate Professor, Lady Irwin College, University of Delhi	9.30-10.30
Session 2		
<i>Voices from the field</i> -Centers present their strategies and techniques for enhancing Communication, Language and Literacy	1. Mukangan Education Resource Centre (MERC)	10.45-11.30
	2. Udayachal Pre-Primary and Primary School	11.30-12.15
Q and A		12.15-12.30
Lunch Break 12.30- 1.30		
Session 3		
<i>Parallel Workshops (Participants choose one)</i>		
1. Using Music as a tool for building communication and language	Ms. Purnima Contractor ECD Consultant; Hon. Sec -AECED& Team Greenfields Pre-Primary School	1.30- 3.30
2. Using stories as a tool for facilitating language and literacy	Ms. Archana Jamdar ECD Consultant EC Member, AECED	1.30 -3.30

Day 2- 4/02/2017

Session	Resource person	Time
Session 1		
Whole language Approach- a critical analysis	Dr. Suja Koshy Associate Professor and Head of Department, Department of Human Development, SVT College of Home Science	9.30-10.45
Session 2		
Emergent Reading & Writing	Ms. Monisha Singh Diwan ECD Consultant & Parenting Coach Steering Committee Member-ARNEC; EC Member AECED	11.00 -12.30
Q and A (Session 1 & 2)		12.30 -12.45
Lunch Break	12.45 - 1.30	
Session 3		
<i>Panel discussion- Role of parents, school, teachers and media in nurturing language development.</i>		1.30- 3.00
Moderated by:	Prof. Sujatha Sriram Dean- School of Human Ecology, TISS EC Member, AECED	
Panelists:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pratham Education Foundation • Mumbai Mobile Crèches Team • Shishuvan School Team • Nuzhat Aziz .Editor Pune Times 	
Final Q and Wrap up		3.00-3.30

The core focus of the speakers, in order of presentation, is as below and provides a bird's eye view of the two days:

#	Facilitator/s	Core Focus
1.	Dr. Nandita Chaudhary	Introducing and foregrounding the theme "Nurturing the needs of a multilingual learner in Early Years classroom" and laying out a broad framework for language and literacy in young learners.
2.	Udayachal School	Sharing the innovative teaching-learning material and its optimum usage to catalyse language and literacy development
3.	Muktangan Education Resource Centre	Sharing the integration of languages and especially English for the first generation English learner through the daily routine as well as group times
4.	Ms. Purnima Contractor & Team	Facilitate a deeper understanding and skill in using Music, rhymes and chants as tools to build and develop language in the early learners
5.	Ms. Archana Jamdar	Facilitate a deeper understanding of the dynamic art and science of

		storytelling as a tool to build and develop language in the early learners
6.	Dr. Suja Koshy	To introduce the whole language approach and to critically analyse the same
7.	Ms. Monisha Singh Diwan	To lay out the nuts and bolts for emergent reading and writing and sharing of some good practices to grow readers and writers
8.	Pratham Education Foundation	To share research around present status of early literacy, early literacy package being used in different linguistic contexts in the country and well- loved and used literature for emergent and early readers
9.	Mumbai Mobile Crèches	To share the parent and child reading programme and its impact from the programme planner, teacher and parent perspective
10.	Shishuvan School	The journey of Emergent to Early literacy as a continuum focusing especially on transition from preschool to early primary
11.	Nuzhat Aziz	To discuss different media usage patterns, content and impact on child especially on the development of language and literacy.

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Fee for AECED Members:

Refresher course: Rs.2,500/- per participant for 2 days (Breakfast, lunch and tea will be served)

Fee for Non-Members:

Refresher course: Rs.3,200/- per participant, per workshop for 2 days (Breakfast, lunch and tea will be served)

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For any clarifications please call the undersigned between 11am and 2pm on 9920014040.

All participants shall be awarded a "Certificate of Participation"

Dates: 3rd - 4th February 2017

Time: 9.15 am- 3.30 pm

Venue: Department of Human Development, Sir Vithaldas Thackersey College of Home Science, SNDT Women's University, Juhu Campus, Juhu Road, Mumbai- 400049

Thanking you

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