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Media Links

THE AUSTRALIAN

Naughty corner clampdown a 'fad' says child psychologist John Irvine:

<http://www.theaustralian.com.au/national-affairs/naughty-corner-clampdown-a-fad-says-child-psychologist-john-irvine/story-fn59niix-1226033615074?zbrandid=2039&zidType=CH&zid=1634604&zsubscriberId=501721068&zbdom=http://aracy.informz.net>

SYDNEY MORNING HERALD

Top Teachers to get more pay: <http://www.smh.com.au/national/top-teachers-to-get-more-pay-20110502-1e3rh.html>

NAPLAN-style testing has 'failed' US schools:

<http://www.smh.com.au/national/education/naplanstyle-testing-has-failed-us-schools-20110501-1e395.html>

THE DAILY TELEGRAPH

Public Schools Booming: <http://www.dailytelegraph.com.au/news/public-schools-booming/story-e6freuy9-1226032603526?zbrandid=2039&zidType=CH&zid=1634614&zsubscriberId=501721068&zbdom=http://aracy.informz.net>

[http://aracy.informz.net](http://www.dailytelegraph.com.au/news/public-schools-booming/story-e6freuy9-1226032603526?zbrandid=2039&zidType=CH&zid=1634614&zsubscriberId=501721068&zbdom=http://aracy.informz.net)

NEWS.COM.AU

Sisterly sacrifice fills the gaps: <http://www.couriermail.com.au/ipad/sisterly-sacrifice-fills-the-gaps/story-fn6ck51p-1226045832539>

\$200 million for disabled students: <http://www.news.com.au/business/breaking-news/million-for-disabled-students/story-e6frfkur-1226049005837>

Articles of Interest

Lakeland Teen Wins National Award Despite Dyslexia:

<http://www.theledger.com/article/20110417/NEWS/110419477/1410?p=1&tc=pg>

Teen with ADHD finds music is great medicine:

<http://www.indeonline.com/news/x128434697/Teen-with-ADHD-finds-music-is-great-medicine>

ADHD at School: Remembering to turn in assignments:

<http://www.additudemag.com/adhd/article/5951.html>

Famous People with ADHD and Learning Disabilities:

<http://www.additudemag.com/adhd/article/8681.html>

Ascending my loftiest dreams: <http://www.additudemag.com/adhd/article/979.html>

Seminars/Workshops

Tourette Awareness Week – Hang on a tic! 1 – 7 May. See website for further details:

www.tourette.org.au

Tourettes Awareness Week 1 – 7 May 2011.

Conference in Melbourne, 7th May. Contact: 9382 3726

Toilet Training children with Developmental Delay. Presented by TABISS

Wednesday, 11 May, 10 – 12.30 at Baulkham Hills. Contact: 1300 668 123

Social skills & emotional management for children with high functioning Autism or Aspergers. Presented by Learning Links.

Wednesday 11th May, 6 – 9pm at Peakhurst. Contact: 8568 8200

Teaching Strategies and Behaviour Support Workshop with Sue Larkey. Presented by Education Events.

Monday 16th May, at Albury

Monday 30th May at Hornsby

Tuesday 17th May at Kogarah

Tuesday 31st May at Newcastle

Understanding Autism Spectrum Disorders with Dr Tony Attwood and Sue Larkey.

Presented by Education Events.

Wednesday 8th June at Campbelltown

Contact: 0433 660 379

Expressive & Receptive Language Delays – managing classroom practice. Presented by Learning Links.

Tuesday 17th May, 6 – 8.30pm at Peakhurst. Contact: 8568 8200

Adult ADHD – Diagnosis, Co-morbidities and Management. Conference for Professionals.

Presented by ADDults with ADHD

Friday 20th May, at North Ryde. Contact: 9889 5977

DVD Review

What is Tourette Syndrome?

Available from www.tourette.org.au \$16

This presentation starts by explaining what Tourette Syndrome is and who discovered it. Many people with physical and vocal tics are interviewed, they discuss how they manage their tics, when they started, and their strategies for management of Tourette Syndrome at school and socially. The video looks at the suspected cause of Tourette Syndrome and it's treatment, and discusses the importance of early diagnosis. This is a great presentation for anyone wanting to know more about Tourette Syndrome.

A Kid's Guide to Self-Esteem DVD

Available from www.classroomvideo.com.au \$55

Give students the solid foundation and self esteem needed to stand up for themselves and resist such detrimental influences as drugs and alcohol. Students will learn that courage, honesty, fairness and kindness are good traits.

Asperger Syndrome and Employment DVD

Available from www.resourcesathand.com.au \$37.95

Asperger Syndrome and Employment is a valuable source of information and inspiration for teenagers and adults with AS, as well as anyone working with someone with AS.

Book Review

THE FACTS – Tourette Syndrome, 2nd Edition by Mary Robertson and Andrea Cavanna.

Available from www.tourette.org.au \$30

This book explains the causes of the syndrome, how it is diagnosed, and how to cope if you or a relative has been diagnosed. It also provides information on treatments and therapies available as well as advice on how individuals can manage their symptoms. In 180 pages this practical paperback book covers EVERYTHING you need to know about TS to gain an accessible introduction to the disorder. It is suitable for families, friends, teachers, clinicians and doctors alike. "The Facts" is simply a MUST for the TS library. It debunks myths about TS and just gives you THE FACTS!

Attention Games – 101 fun, easy games that help kids learn to focus, by Barbara Sher

Available from www.openleaves.com.au \$25

Attention Games is filled with interesting and child-tested activities that can help children of all ages become better at focusing and paying attention. Developed by **Barbara Sher** - parent, teacher, play therapy specialist and paediatric occupational therapist - these activities are specially designed to encourage children to expand their power of attention in ways that will help them throughout their lives.

Website Watch

<http://clubkidpreneur.com/>

Club Kidpreneur is an educational, fun and safe website for your kids to use to explore how to set up their own businesses. They support and mentor them, providing the tools and tips to help them succeed.

<http://www.adderworld.com/>

This blog is an online journal of Bryan Hutchinson's experiences and opinions concerning life and ADHD. There are also a number of e-books to download, including, "7 Crucial Tips for Parents and Teachers of Children with ADHD"

So you Think U Know about Cyber Safety

The Minister for Home Affairs Brendan O'Connor has launched the next phase of the highly successful ThinkUKnow cyber safety project – a space just for young people. See the following websites for the Media Release and the steps to follow if cyber bullying is occurring.

http://www.ministerhomeaffairs.gov.au/www/ministers/oconnor.nsf/Page/MediaReleases_2011_SecondQuarter_6April2011-SoYouThinkUKnowaboutcybersafety

<http://www.thinkuknow.org.au/site/stop.asp>

Cheers,
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