## Conflict Resolution Skills Through Games

The social emotional curriculum in the 6-12 classroom consists of teaching children to relate well as human beings. Socially stressed children are unwilling to take risks in their learning for fear that they will lose face in front of their peers, so they are less likely to be able to relax, make mistakes and get into that magical state of flow. In a series of interactive, fun and engaging games and activities, participants will be introduced to a set of concepts and skills that can provide teachers and students with a basic vocabulary with which to talk about and resolve conflicts as they arise in the classroom.

Participants will come away with a series of user-friendly games and activities which they can use to teach the basic vocabulary and skills of conflict resolution needed to establish the foundations of a peaceable classroom.



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## THURSDAY, 27 MAY 2021 4:00PM - 7:00PM (BRISBANE TIME)

## **Registration options:**

- In person at Capalaba State College, School Road Capalaba QLD
- Live online via Zoom
- Recording of the event (restrictions apply)

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