



Rockingham Montessori School are proud to present

Dr Laura Flores Shaw

at our Special Parent Education evening

Wednesday 13 March 2019, 6.00pm – 7.30pm

at RMS Adolescent Program, 3rd Floor, Murdoch University, Dixon Road, Rockingham

Montessori and Differentiation of the Self

The capacity to distinguish one's own thoughts and feelings from those of others is differentiation of self. Research shows that those with a higher degree of self-differentiation exhibit less anxiety and overall better psychological adjustment, better physical health, greater ability to self-regulate, better marital satisfaction, and lower levels of relationship violence and substance abuse. This talk discusses how Montessori's prepared environment fosters each child's differentiation of self and helps prepare children for success in the 21st century.



Laura Flores Shaw

Dr. Laura Flores Shaw is the lead editor, writer, and founder of White Paper Press, an education company focused on increasing the scientific knowledge of educators and parents. She received her doctorate from Johns Hopkins University School of Education, where she is also an adjunct professor, specializing in mind, brain, and teaching. Previously, Dr. Shaw briefly worked as a family systems therapist in the public-school system where she realized her desire to work on the prevention rather than intervention side of mental health. That led her to revive a failing Montessori school where she created environments that allow children to flourish. In 2014, she left school administration to focus on advocating for educational and parenting frameworks that can improve the lives of children and their families. Dr. Shaw's current research focuses on exploration of pedagogical constructs in practice and how teachers' knowledge of such constructs influences their teacher efficacy beliefs and, hence, their behaviours with students. She also seeks to align the field of education with the research on sensorimotor development, as it is intertwined with the development of cognition and executive functions. Dr. Shaw writes, speaks, and consults internationally on education, brain development, parenting, and organizational behaviour.

This wonderful Parent Education evening is open to non-RMS families.

Please see over for further information.

Registration for Parent Education evening for non-RMS families

Name:
Phone: Email:
Registration Fee: \$30
Online payment details:
Rockingham Montessori School Westpac BSB: 036-074 ACC: 673288 Description: FLORES with your surname
Once payment has been made please send this completed form through to
reception@rms.wa.edu.au to complete your registration.

Crèche Facilities

Crèche facilities are available on the night for any attendees needing this facility at a cost of \$5 per child payable in cash on the night.

Please email <u>reception@rms.wa.edu.au</u> to advise how many children you will need to place in the crèche, along with their name/s and age/s.