Presentations for Parents

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1. **Antibullying**
   Bullying behaviours are no longer acceptable in our society, and schools are attempting to do something about them. This introductory session on antibullying will include the definition, the bullying triad, the cycle of bullying, and the signs to watch for if your child is being bullied. Participants will also learn and share strategies for bully-proofing children and schools.

2. **Advocating for your child (NEW)**
   This workshop will provide strategies for parents to help in effectively communicating with school staff. Discussion will occur regarding the purpose of “meet the teacher” events, strategies for parents to prepare for parent/teacher conferences, and the process for dealing with a problem or issue, including disagreeing with a classroom practice. Communication with the classroom teacher is discussed, as well as problem solving when as a parent you feel that you must have what may be a difficult conversation with a teacher. A section entitled, When the School Calls, discusses strategies for parents to prepare and respond to issues such as bullying, behavior, attendance, and social/emotional concerns. The essential element of the school, teacher, and parent working together for the benefit of the student is emphasized in this workshop.

3. **Internet awareness for parents**
   Our children need guidance to ensure their online experience will be safe. Your child has access to a very “public place” that is quickly changing. Teaching your child Internet skills that promote awareness and knowledge to protect their personal safety is not an easy task. This workshop will provide an overview of the jargon, the risks, and how to explain Internet safety to your child.

4. **Supporting your child’s learning**
   Parents play a critical role in their child’s education in so many ways; one very important way is by guiding their learning at home. This practical session will present strategies that can help your child develop effective homework and study skills and promote lifelong learning. Parents will also learn natural ways to include additional reading and math activities at home.

Contact Kelly Shields at 604-871-1879, or 1-800-663-9163, local 1879, or kshields@bctf.ca, if you have questions on workshop content.

Please click below for access to the Parent presentation request form, which can be faxed to 604-871-2286.

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