

A new series with ECCDC's Ginette Wilson!



Schema Play Series

Children create understanding and knowledge of their world by interacting with the environment and the 'things' within it. While they are doing this, we often observe them repeating actions over and over again and see repeated patterns in their play.

In the first half of the 20th century, Jean Piaget recognized organized patterns of behaviour in children's play and developed his schema theory around how children learn and acquire knowledge through physical and mental actions. In the 1980's Chris Athey furthered Piaget's work by identifying clusters of play patterns and developed the concept of schematic play or schema play.

If you would like to find out more about schema play and how to support schema play in your early learning and child care setting then join the ECCDC's Early Learning Trainer, Ginette Wilson, for this engaging, interactive and fun workshop. There will be opportunities to engage in thought-provoking conversations with fellow Educators and explore a variety of materials and experiences that support schema play. This three-part series will support Educators to develop environments and experiences that facilitate cognitive development through schema play.

Session One: Action Schemas (formerly How Schema Play Supports Children's Learning and Development)

During this first session Educators will be introduced to schematic play, discover more about **Action Play Schemas** and how to develop schema rich environments and experiences that meet children's needs and interests.

Monday February 3, 2020 • 6:00 to 9:00 pm (6:00 pm Networking and light refreshments; 6:30 pm Workshop Beginning; 9:00 pm Workshop closing) • ECCDC Conference Room, 3340 Schmon Parkway, Thorold • Niagara Educators: \$45 per session includes all materials and nutrition break; Outside Niagara Educators: \$50

Session Two: Mark Making Schemas

This second schematic play session will look at schema play through a lens of early **Mark Making**, a prerequisite for the development of literacy skills, and explore how educators can introduce schema play materials and experiences to their environment to support mark making.

Monday March 2, 2020 • 6:00 to 9:00 pm (6:00 pm Networking and light refreshments; 6:30 pm Workshop Beginning; 9:00 pm Workshop closing) • ECCDC Conference Room, 3340 Schmon Parkway, Thorold • Niagara Educators: \$45 per session includes all materials and nutrition break; Outside Niagara Educators: \$50



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Session Three: Emotional Schemas

The third and final session in this series will focus on **Emotional Schemas**. Educators will have an opportunity to dive deeply into the concept of emotional schemas in an early learning and child care setting. This will include identifying and recognizing emotional play schemas, and how educators can support young children with the development of self-regulation through emotional play schemas.

Monday April 27, 2020 • 6:00 to 9:00 pm (6:00 pm Networking and light refreshments; 6:30 pm Workshop Beginning; 9:00 pm Workshop closing) • ECCDC Conference Room, 3340 Schmon Parkway, Thorold • Niagara Educators: \$45 per session includes all materials and nutrition break; Outside Niagara Educators: \$50

Registration Information

To register, call 905.646.7311 ext. 304, email eccdc@eccdc.org or visit www.eccdc.org.



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Ginette has enjoyed a 30 year career in early learning and child care in North America and the United Kingdom in a variety of positions including working directly with children, managing early learning and child care teams and consulting with not for profit and private organizations and government and social service agencies. Most recently, Ginette has worked with DSBN as a Designated Early Childhood Educator and with Rosalind Blauer as a Registered Early Childhood Educator. In the United Kingdom, Ginette worked as a Childcare Development Officer, promoting high quality child care services for children from birth to 16 and their families. She also worked as a Play Training Development Instructor; developing, delivering and coordinating a variety of workshops and network sessions. Ginette also served as a Childcare Manager in addition to holding various early childhood educator positions.