

**THE FACILITATORS ARE
QUALIFIED AND EXPERIENCED
IN CHILD AND FAMILY
COUNSELLING**

**THE OUTCOMES OF THE
THERAPEUTIC APPROACH**

The program encourages respectful interaction with others together with self-management of feelings and behaviours.

ACTIVITIES INCLUDE

- ◆ *art therapy (paint, clay, collage)*
- ◆ *music and song*
- ◆ *stories*
- ◆ *snack time - social skills, group talking circle*

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- ◆ **Valuing children**
- ◆ **Their Families**
- ◆ **Their Schools**

This children's program is offered at a number of locations in Southeast Queensland

Including:

- ◆ South Burnett - Ph 07 4162 5439
- ◆ Sunshine Coast - Ph 5479 4755
- ◆ Fortitude Valley - Ph 07 3252 4371
- ◆ Gold Coast - Ph 07 55 277 211

In 2006 - 2007 - 2008

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**KIDS BUSINESS
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a therapeutic program
for children in
mid-primary school



**The
KIDS BUSINESS
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PROGRAM**

**addresses unacceptable
behaviours that may place a
child at risk of suspension**

The children will be identified by school staff and or parents as:

- ⇒ *Struggling emotionally and behaviourally*
- ⇒ *Attempting to 'rewrite the rules' and take control of what they will and won't do*
- ⇒ *Displaying defiant behaviour*

**The program is held at the
host school.
School staff identify
children who may benefit
from the program**

- ⇒ 6 x 2hr sessions over 6 weeks for a group of 6 children
- ⇒ *3 counsellors work as a team*

THE COURSE ADDRESSES

- ⇒ *Acceptable behavior*
- ⇒ *Living with rules*
- ⇒ *Respect for self and others*
- ⇒ *Recognising and managing feelings*
- ⇒ *Tantrum taming—keeping cool*
- ⇒ *Affirming self-worth*

**THE STEPS
OF THE PROGRAM**

- ◆ Counsellors meet with school staff
- ◆ Parents are invited to a pre-course consultation
- ◆ Children attend a 2 x hour group session each week for 6 weeks
- ◆ Parents/guardians are invited to 2 x parent support meetings
- ◆ Parents are invited to participate in the 6th session with the children
- ◆ Ongoing support is available to parents
- ◆ Follow-up data is collected
- ◆ We maintain contact with the school