**Presents**

**DIFFICULT CONVERSATIONS MADE EASY**

for Montessori Teachers and Heads of School

By

**Diane Force, Director of Bala House Montessori**

**Dr. Lisa Dissinger, Preschool Psychologist**

**Saturday, October 12, 2019**

**9:00 ~ 10:30 a.m.**

**Bala House Montessori School**

27 Conshohocken State Road, Bala Cynwyd, PA 19004

**Workshop Description**:Diane Force, Director of Bala House Montessori and Dr. Lisa Dissinger, Consulting Preschool Psychologist, will team up together to talk about how to make difficult conversations easy with parents. Come hear how the collaborative process works from start to finish between the teacher, head of school, psychologist and parent.

Participants will leave with a working procedural framework and a practical skill set to facilitatte positive conversations with parents. Please feel free to bring to the workshop examples of difficult conversations that went awry and your questions and concerns around this topic.

**About the Speakers:**

**Diane Force** has been the Director at Bala House for the past 16 years. She is a founding member of the PA Montessori Alliance, was a participant on the OCDEL Think Tank for 2 years, and former board member at large for MTA-PA. Diane holds a M.C.A.T. in Dance Therapy and has taken the Jorgenson Leadership focused Collaborative Conversations, Educate 2B-Tools for Engaged Learning and Living and the University of Pennsylvania Distributed LeadershipTraining. In 2015 she was the winner of the PA-CAPE Early Education Administrator of the year.

**Dr. Lisa Dissinger** isa licensed child psychologist who specializes in young children and who has been a preschool consultant for 28 years. Dr. Dissinger has worked in early intervention in a variety of Montessori and traditional preschools as well as Lower Merion School District and Elwyn Institute. Currently, she works three days a week at Agnes Irwin Lower School teaching classes to promote emotional and social intelligence to girls from Kindergarten through 2nd grade. Dr. Dissinger also works one day a week at Greene Towne Montessori School as a consulting psychologist and has a private practice in parent coaching.

**Note**: Coffee and light breakfast treats will be provided from 8:30 ~ 9:00 a.m.

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