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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

I have been involved with the Alithia Learning concept since it's inception, acting as a consultant, facilitator and trainer for the committee of parents.

As a contributing author to the book 'Re-inventing Education' I am delighted to see the insights gleaned from the work of Vincent Nolan, who pioneered bringing collaborative practices for innovation from the business world into schools in the UK with the Synectics Education Initiative (S.E.I), put into practice in Australia.

Alithia Learning is applying the progressive communication, teamwork and idea development skills required for innovation, in a community based setting, ensuring the optimal environment and climate for creativity and learning. The central practice of positive, open-minded communication, modelling empathetic and compassionate expression, strengthens relationships and connection, not only within the learning community, but also within family and the wider community. In addition, the philosophies and understandings underpinning the Alithia Learning approach: positive psychology, trauma informed neuroscience, attachment theory, strength based communication and phenomenological inquiry, all contribute therapeutically to the mental health of individuals and the community.

With the emphasis on learning through experiential, outdoor activities, movement, music and culture, Alithia Learning will offer children and parents a well rounded learning opportunity that forges connection, creativity, confidence and innovative imaginative thinking that will equip them with the skills to engage and work in a rapidly changing world.

Yours faithfully.  
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