

Michael Grose's Presentation Menu 2012



5 reasons to have Michael speak at your next event

- 1 Michael is a **Certified Speaking Professional**, which is the highest designation for speaking professionals, and the only designation recognised world-wide.
- 2 Michael has a **high media profile**. He's the current Body & Soul parenting columnist reaching 6 million Australians every Sunday. He's also the Today Show parenting expert and regular contributor to radio throughout the country.
- 3 Michael is **always up-to-date** and relevant. The media contact him constantly for comment about parenting, educational and family matters.
- 4 Michael is an **experienced presenter** with over 1,000 paid presentations. He's presented internationally at schools and conferences and presented all over Australia including the first parenting seminar in Parliament House, Canberra.
- 5 Michael makes sure you **get results**. We work with you to make sure the message is customised, so the presentation leaves a lasting impact and brings about the change you are looking for.

Michael Grose

Australia's No. 1 Parenting & Educational Presenter

A former primary teacher and experienced presenter Michael has been entertaining, informing and inspiring audiences around Australia, in Singapore and the UK for over twenty years.

He is the author of eight books for parents, including Why First Borns Rule the World and Last Borns Want to Change It, as well as his latest book, Thriving!

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A recognized media figure Michael regularly appears on television program such as The Today Show, Sunrise & The Morning Show and has a regular fortnightly half hour parenting regular segment on ABC radio Victoria.

Michael Grose is a past winner of the Golden Mike Award for the Victorian Speaker of the Year. He is one of only 100 Certified Speaking Professional (CSP) in Australia, which is the only internationally recognized designation for speaking professionals.

Michael is the only person to conduct a parenting seminar to federal politicians in Parliament House, Canberra.

Parenting Presentations



1. Raising Kids to Thrive!

Kids need strong, confident leadership.....
from their parents. That's quite a challenge these days as kids grow up at the speed of light and parents are unsure of their place in the lives of kids.

And today's kids live with pressures that previous generations didn't have to face. They grow up with fewer siblings, which mean parents focus their attention more sharply on them. No wonder so many kids today are so anxious and risk-averse. But it doesn't have to be this way!

In this no nonsense presentation Michael Grose shows parents how to be confident family leaders, able to develop real **confidence**, **character** and **resilience** – the keys to kids' future success in this ever-changing world.

Here's what Michael covers in this presentation:

- ✓ Why developing a sense of 'other' in kids is vital for their future success and their well-being
- ✓ How parents can get cooperation from tough nuts without using bribery, shaming or blaming
- ✓ The three keys to developing real confidence in kids
- ✓ How to help kids grow and learn from many of the social difficulties they face
- ✓ Discover how parents can work together even when they are not together
- ✓ Learn about the incredible power of the kitchen table and to use it to build confidence, character and resilience in kids and a super-strong family
- ✓ How parents can get more joy from their parenting

In this presentation Michael will give parents clear direction based in current research and best parenting practice. In fact, he'll waste no time teaching you about the Thriving Way of Parenting so your parents will feel more confident, less anxious and better equipped to raise kids today.

Raising Kids to *Thrive!* is the new roadmap to parenting success for parents of children 3 to 12 years of age.

For parents of primary school-aged children. Evening presentation or full day workshop.

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2. Help! I'm about to have a teenager!

This presentation will provide an insight into what teenagers want from their parents and, importantly, give heaps of ideas about how adults can engage positively with young people. You will learn about the different stages of adolescence, how teenagers today differ from adolescents of ten years ago, and explore parenting methods that work when raising young people. Here are some of the areas covered:

- ✓ The 3 stages of adolescence and how you need to parent at each stage
- ✓ 3 ways to get more communication with young people
- ✓ The secret to successful discipline of teens
- ✓ What you must do when teens throw a tantrum
- ✓ Dealing with real-life issues and risky behaviours

For parents of upper primary school aged and secondary school children

3. Parenting in the tricky years

Raising a teenager is like riding a roller coaster. It's exhilarating, scary and at times, you just want to stop! This one hour presentation will give you information and inspiration to help you last the parenting journey, in the particularly tricky years of middle adolescence.

Michael will look at the most effective parenting style for today's teens and provide essential communication and relationship strategies to help you stay in the game with your young person.

He will also discuss common must-know issues such as adolescence and sleep, the current approaches to alcohol and how to get young people to cope when life throws them curve balls.

For parents of secondary school-aged children

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4. Raising Happy Siblings

How to get your kids to fight less & love each other more

Raising kids should be a joy, but it's hard slog when kids fight and argue every minute of the day. There's no doubt that sibling rivalry destroys peace and harmony in family life. The GOOD NEWS is that family-life doesn't have to be so hard. In this practical seminar you'll hear simple, easy-to-use techniques and principles that will help change feuding families into super-strong team and make your life as a parent easier and happier. In this seminar you'll discover:

- ✓ How children's birth order affects children's personalities and how best to parent kids in each position
- ✓ Secrets to reducing competitiveness in kids
- ✓ Ways to respond positively when kids fight and argue so that conflict reduces and becomes more manageable
- ✓ Key relationship skills kids can learn in their family that will stay for life
- ✓ Positive strategies that build strong families
- ✓ How kids need to learn to live with each other, even though they may not like each other

For parents of upper primary school aged and secondary school children

5. Raising Mighty Boys

Raising boys is still a hot topic in Australia and other parts of the world. Parents who do best, know and appreciate what makes boys tick. They know that boys develop differently, learn differently, think differently and behave differently than girls. They also adapt their parenting to suit the individual needs of their sons.

This presentation will give you a better understanding of the needs of boys so you can adapt your parenting to suit. Parenting boys is a broad topic and I won't cover everything, BUT I'll make sure you get essential information and lots of strategies & some reassurance (that you are on track) to help you Raise your MIGHTY boys into mighty fine men.

I'll take a special look at these 3 areas:

Boys' Development: The developmental pathway is different from childhood to manhood and is

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different for boys than girls. I'll look at the stages of development that boys go through including brain and physical changes.

Boys and discipline: Boys respond differently to girls. For a start their hearing is not as good so instructions should be framed differently. You'll learn some great 'boys only' discipline tips.

Boys and learning: Boys are motivated differently to girls and many are organisationally-challenged which holds them back. I'll let you know some of the touchpoints that turn boys on to learning.

For parents of primary and secondary school-aged children

Here's what people say about Michael's presentations:

"Awesome! You wowed them again Michael!" **Kath Brier, St. Thomas PS, NSW**

"You have a wonderful gift and passion in the area of kids and parenting. I'm truly grateful for you making me feel confident as a parent knowing that I can raise my children knowing that I don't have to have all the answers." **Anna Obamwonyi, Victoria**

"I believe in learning from the experts. Michael's been at the forefront of parenting in Australia for over 20 years and he so qualified to tell me what to do and what to avoid as a mum. He has clear ideas based on research and experience that are practical, clear and wise." **Sandy Swiney, parent.**

"I enjoyed the parenting seminar so much. You did an amazing job of engaging such a large audience and answering all of the questions. I was so impressed with the way you presented the information with such wisdom and humour, backed up by research and relevant statistics. I also loved the real-life stories."

Delia Timms www.findababysitter.com.au

"Thank you for your recent presentation. As always, you managed to inspire the parents to think about their parenting strategies and try new things. I always look forward to working with you and I value your wisdom and advice when it comes to raising resilient and capable children."

Rod Davies, Head of Minimbah Campus, Woodleigh School, Victoria

".....thank you so much for your three parenting seminars. Your wise words regarding parenting have had a very positive impact on all who attended from the towns (in the area)."

Jane Sommerby, Project Manager, Your Community Cares Barham, NSW

Professional Development & Conference presentations



1. Creating strong parent-school communities

Go beyond partnerships to build real communities

This one day workshop will give you the roadmap to build a school that parent love so much that they tell all their friends about you! It will help you identify and build essential strategies to engage, support and manage your parent communities. You will get a strong understanding of what makes modern parents tick, and the new skill sets teachers need to work effectively with parents. You learn more about client care and a new approach based on proven marketing techniques to communicate with your parenting community. Importantly, this one day workshop will put all staff members on the same page so you can build a strong community of caring adults in your school.

Ideal for a whole school Professional Development Day

2. Parent-friendly schools – from good to great!

Find out what great Parent-friendly schools already do

This special workshop for school leaders will take school leaders through the process of building great parent-friendly schools. There are five distinct phases of development that schools go through to build strong partnerships with parents. You'll learn where your school fits on the Partnership Ladder, and what to focus on to quickly build stronger partnerships with your parent community.

Ideal half or full day for school leaders

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3. We're on the same side!

Strengthening the bonds between schools & parents

There is no doubt that the best outcomes for students occur when parents and staff work together with an understanding of each other's goals and aspirations. BUT right now, the home-school partnership is problematic, taking considerable work and good will to make it happen.

This keynote will provide the way forward for schools that are looking to build deeper ties with their parent communities. In this keynote, already presented at the prestigious Heads of Independent Schools Conference in London and again to Headmasters in Madrid & Auckland, Michael will show you what Generation X parents are really thinking, and discuss the new skill sets teachers need if they are to work effectively with the new generation of parents.

File this presentation under MUST SEE!!

Ideal Conference Keynote or after school PD

4. Making problems smaller!

How to support parents in their parenting roles

The parenting landscape has changed fundamentally in recent years. While most kids are highly connected to each other and growing up at the speed of light, their parents are confused, emotionally needy and often tired by the busyness of their lives. Increasingly, they are looking to schools for advice, ideas and direction about raising children.

This workshop will provide you with:

- ✔ Effective strategies for educating and supporting your whole school community
- ✔ Reduce over protectiveness in parents and increase their understanding of resilience
- ✔ Practical ways to assist parents in one-on-one situations with their parenting challenges

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More Testimonials

Here's what people say about Michael's parenting presentations:

"Thank you for leading an imaginative seminar which clearly held the interests of our members. Indeed, I am amazed at how inundated we have been with plaudits from those who attended your sessions. I sincerely hope you will be prepared to join us again in the future.

David Levin, Chair of the Headmasters & Headmistresses Conference, United Kingdom

"An outstanding professional development experience. Practical, but intellectually provocative. Appropriate paradigm of how schools can support parents through their intellectual capabilities and commitments."

Michael Harding, Principal, The Scots PGC College, Queensland, Australia

"Thank you most sincerely for your contribution to our Conference. It is wonderful to have you involved again, as your presentations are so wonderfully received by delegates."

Allan Shaw, CEO, Australian Heads of Independent Schools of Australia

"We found your workshop perfectly pitched. It was really helpful as we continue to improve the ways we communicate with and handle the expectations of today's parents."

Richard Harman, Headmaster, Uppingham School, England

"Thank you for an engaging and relevant presentation that was beneficial to the whole staff. You captured the imagination of our staff. The presentation has permeated our thoughts and discussions about how we communicate with parents."

Andrew Cooper, St. Joseph's School Fern Tree Gully Victoria, Australia

"..... I felt quite empowered at the end of your presentation. You reinforced the message that we are the professionals and although we value and welcome an active partnership with our parents, we must put clear and negotiated boundaries and expectations in place."

Annie Engellenner, Prep/Year 1 teacher, St. Michael's Parish School, Victoria, Australia