

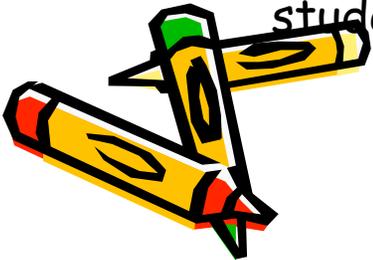
Getting Involved at School Starts at Home



KWON Parent Coffee Hour
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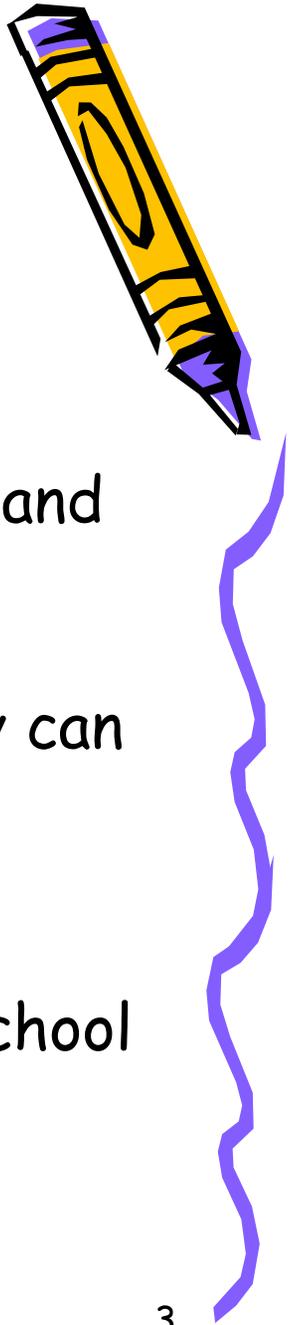
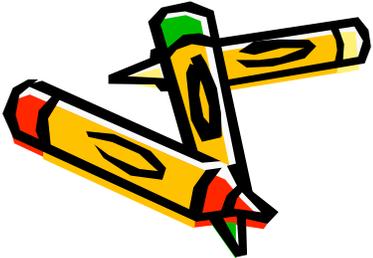
What Research Says about Parent Involvement

- School age children spend 70% of their waking hours (including weekend and holidays) outside of school.
- The earlier in a child's educational process parent involvement begins, the more powerful the effects.
- The most effective forms of parent involvement are those which engage parents in working directly with their children on learning activities at home.
- When parents are involved students have: higher grades, test scores and graduation rates, better school attendance, increased motivation, better self-esteem.
- Family participation in education was twice as predictive of students' academic success as family socioeconomic status.



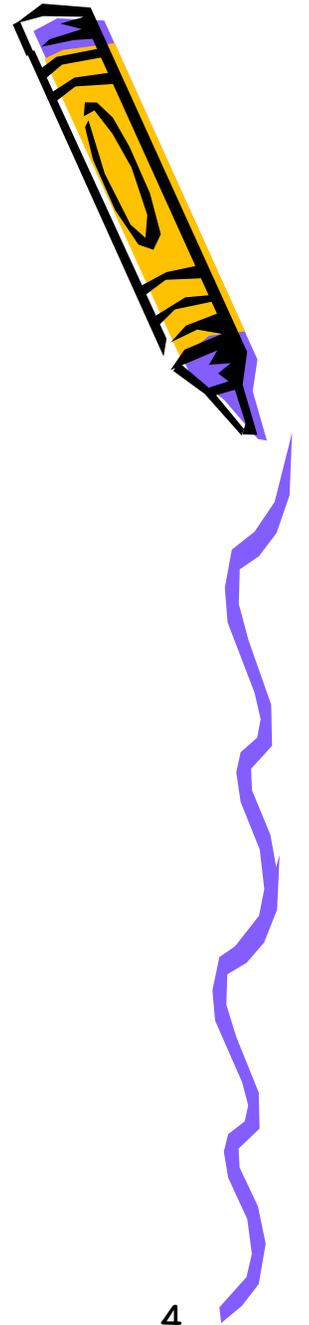
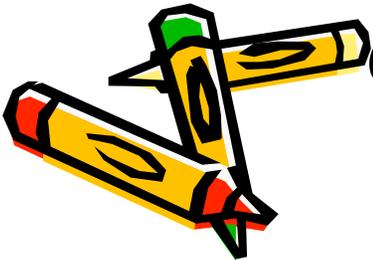
Major Factors in Parent Involvement

- Parents' beliefs about what is important, necessary and permissible for them to do with and on behalf of their children
- The extent to which parents believe that they can have a positive influence on their children's education.
- Parents' perceptions that their children and school want them to be involved.

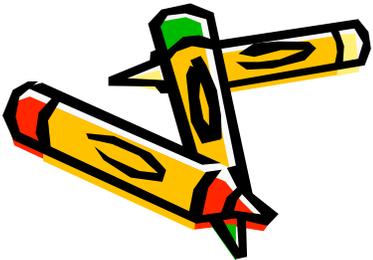
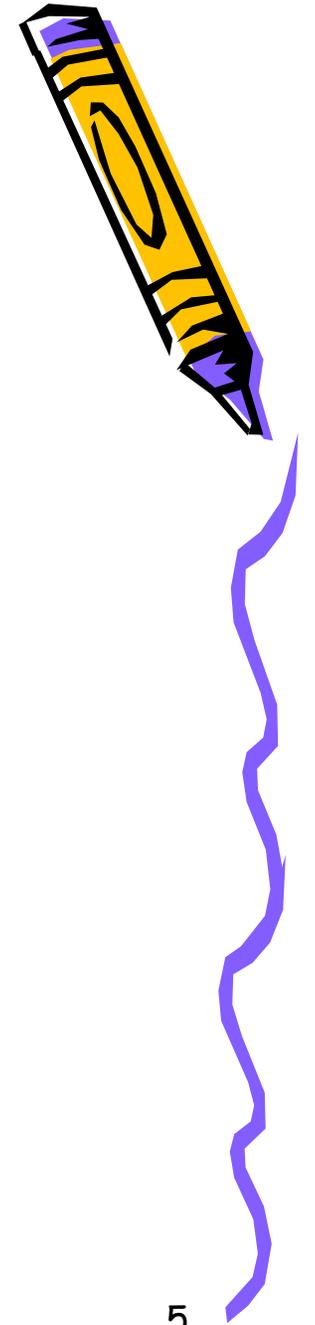


Types of Involvement

1. Parenting
2. Communicating
3. Volunteering
4. Learning at Home
5. Decision Making
6. Collaborating with Community

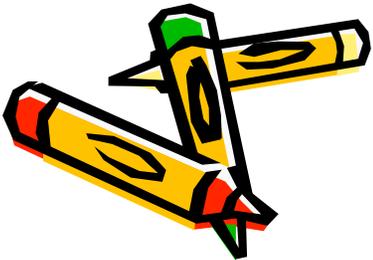
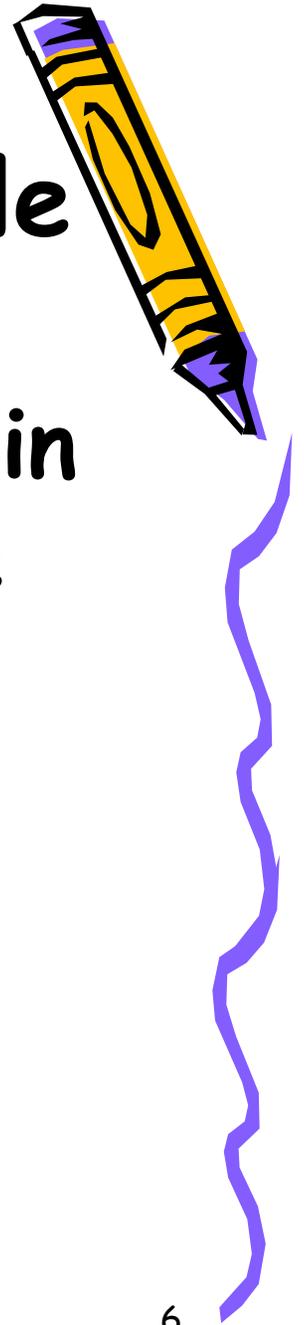


Making Homework Manageable



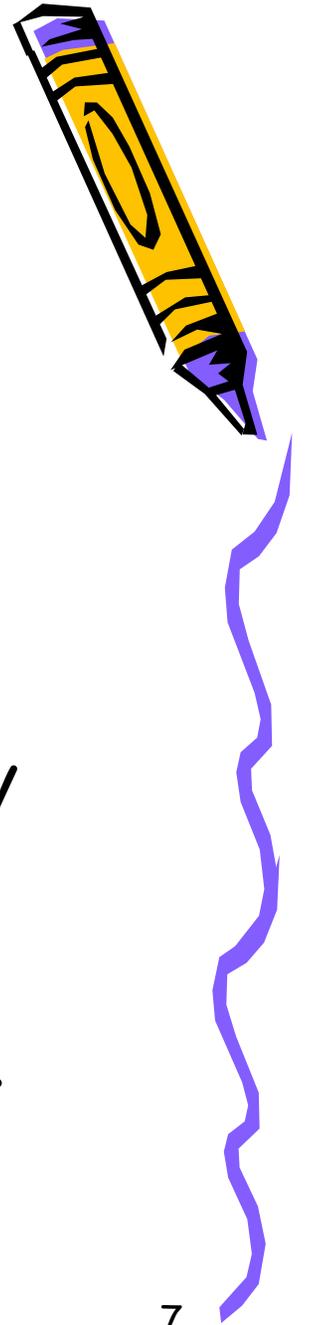
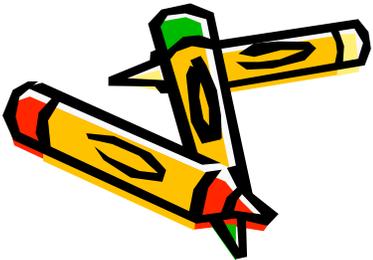
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Students who are successful in school have parents who take time to work with them at home and support what they are learning in school.



Why is homework important?

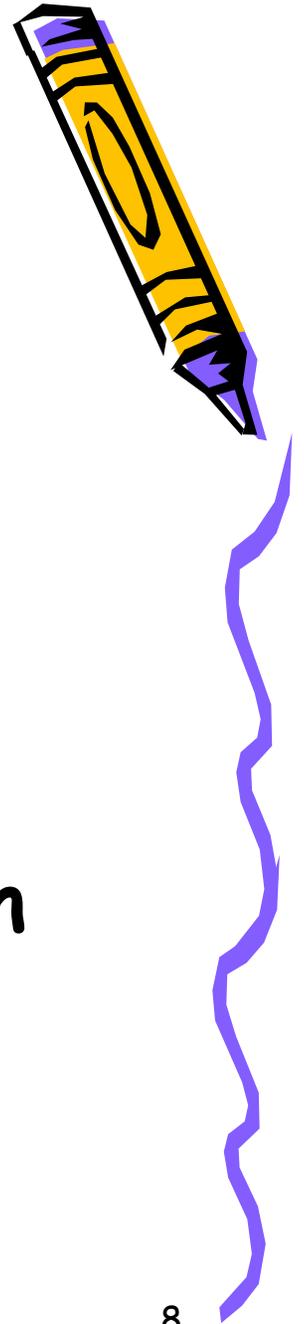
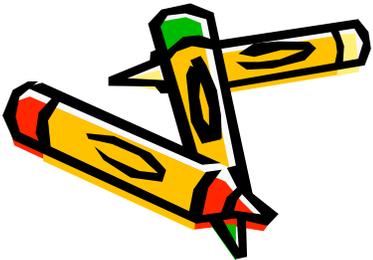
- Homework is the best opportunity for the school and the family to be connected.
- Homework helps to develop good study habits.
- Homework fosters positive attitudes towards school and a love for learning.



Getting into the homework habit

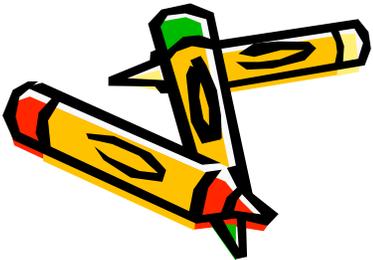
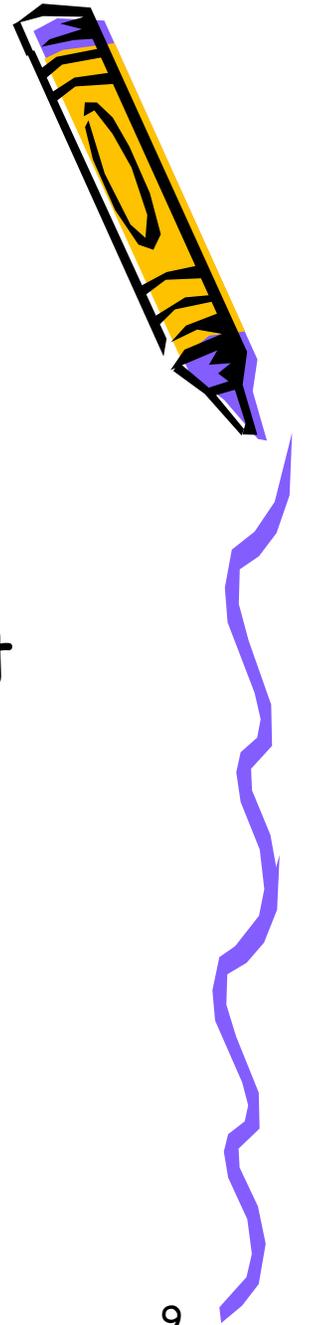
21 days in a row
to make a habit

Our goal is to help our children
get into the habit of doing
homework every night.



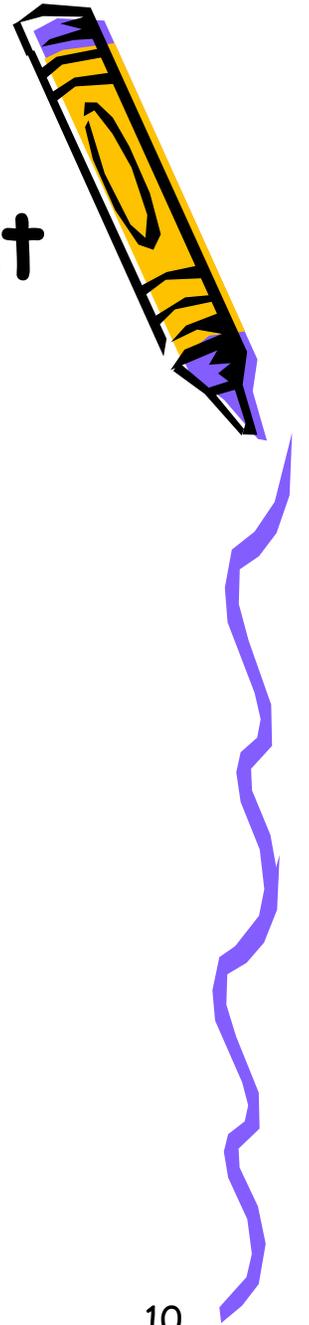
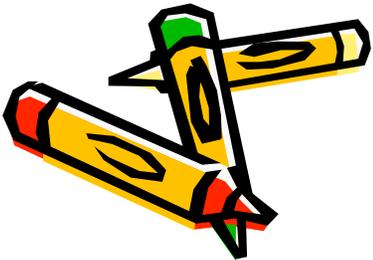
How do we help our children develop good study habits?

- Set up a positive home environment that encourages learning.
- Select an area where your children will do homework everyday.



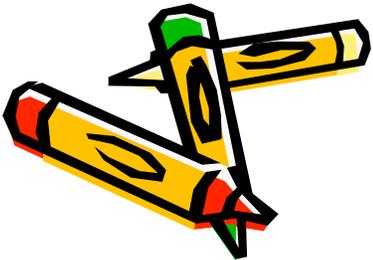
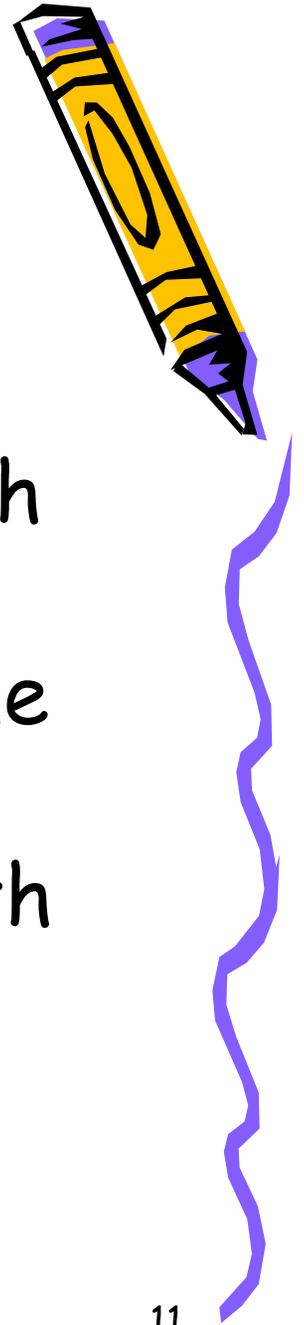
Setting up a home environment that encourages learning

- Have a small box of supplies available.
- Have a **consistent** area where your children can keep their school work and supplies.



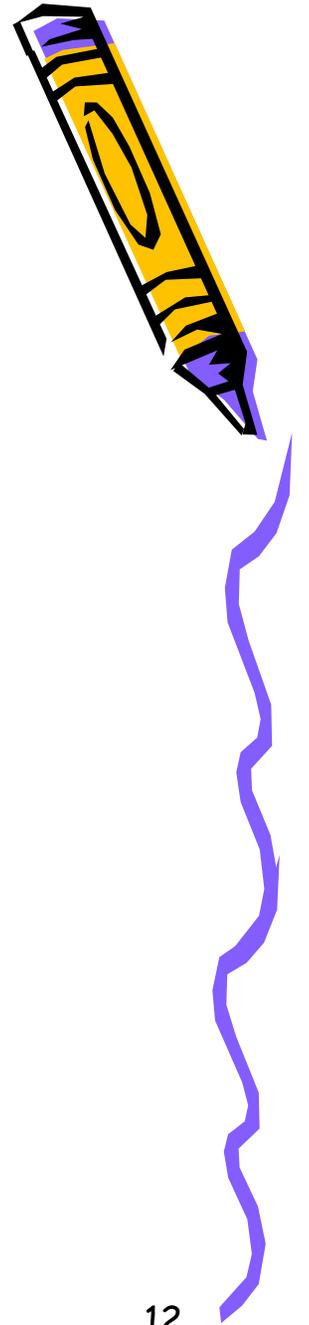
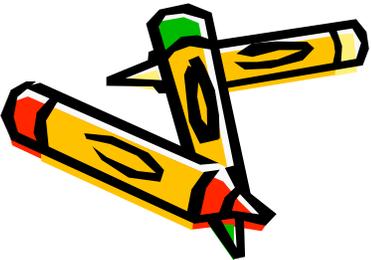
Getting into the homework habit

- Establish a consistent time each day for homework.
- Decide as a family the best time to do homework each day.
- Check your child's backpack with him/her every day.



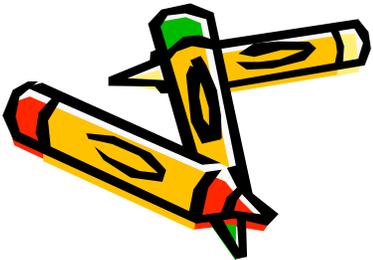
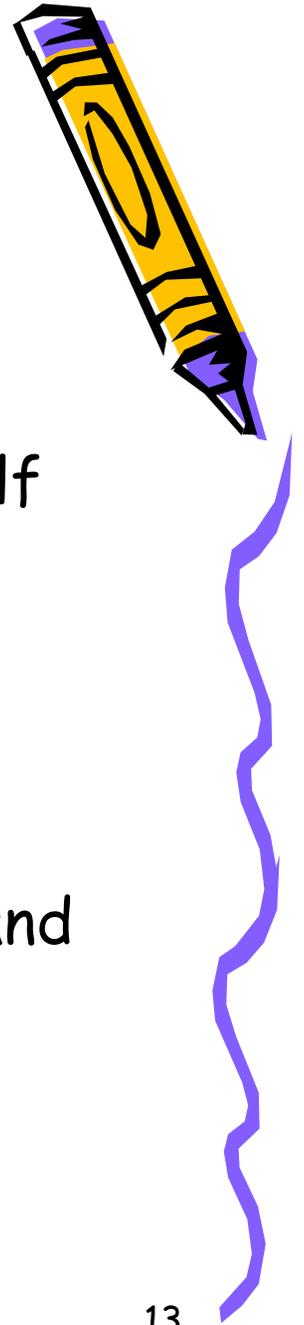
Minimize distractions

- Television and radio are off.
- Keep other children busy



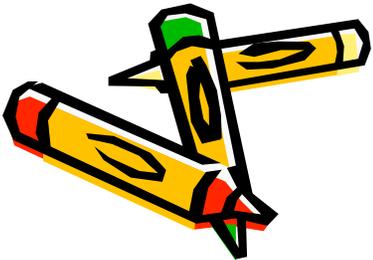
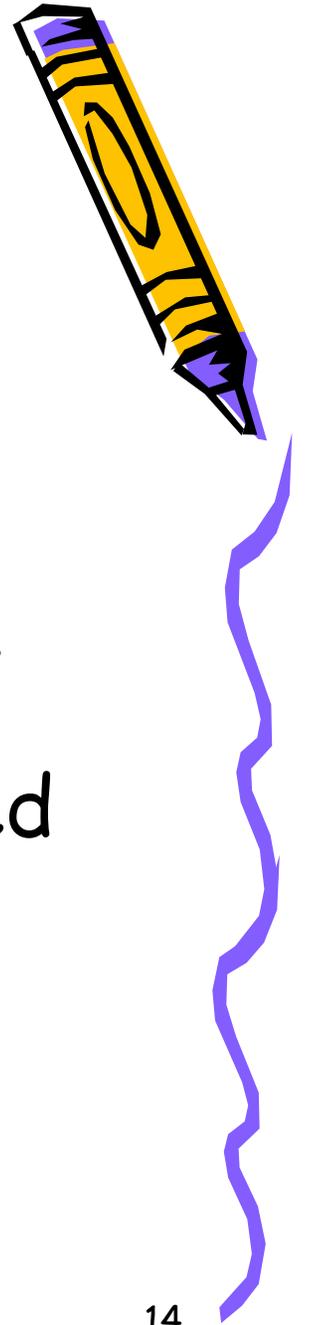
Fostering responsibility and independence

- Have your child work alone, but make yourself available to answer questions or provide guidance if needed.
- Ask questions about the assignment so you know what your child is doing.
- Help them to recognize their own mistakes and make corrections on their own, but provide help if they need it.



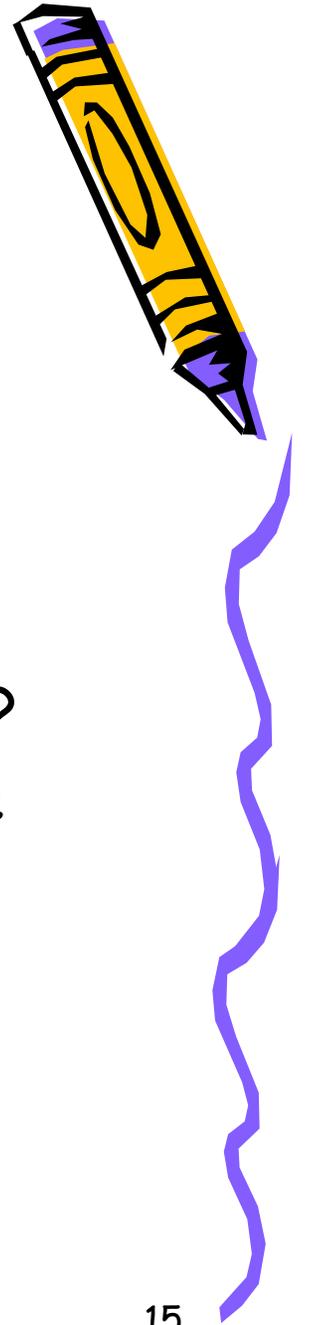
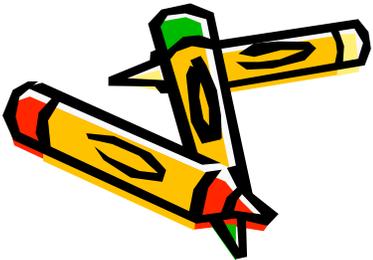
Making the home/school connection

- Before starting the homework, have a conversation with your child about what he/she learned in school that day.



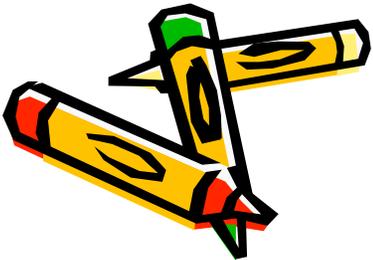
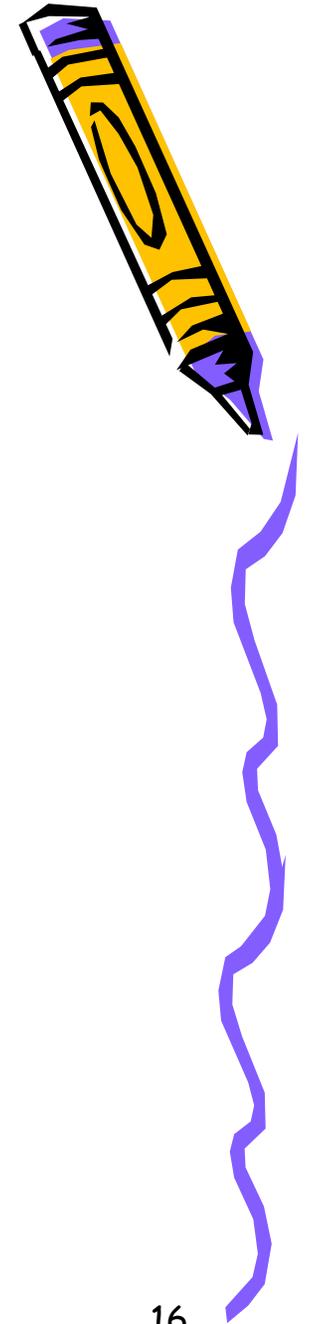
Ask Questions

- **Ask very specific questions.**
 - What book did you read in school today?
 - What did you like best about the book?
 - What was the problem and how did the characters solve it?



Make reading part of your children's daily homework

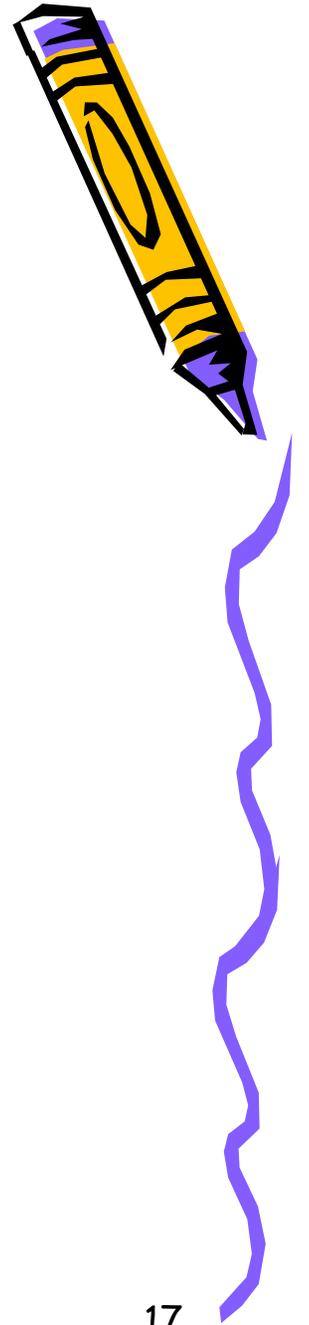
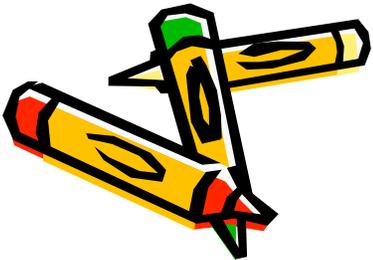
- Set up a small area in your home with books to read.
- Have your child read at least 15 to 20 minutes per day, preferably with an adult, outside of homework time.



Why Independent Reading?

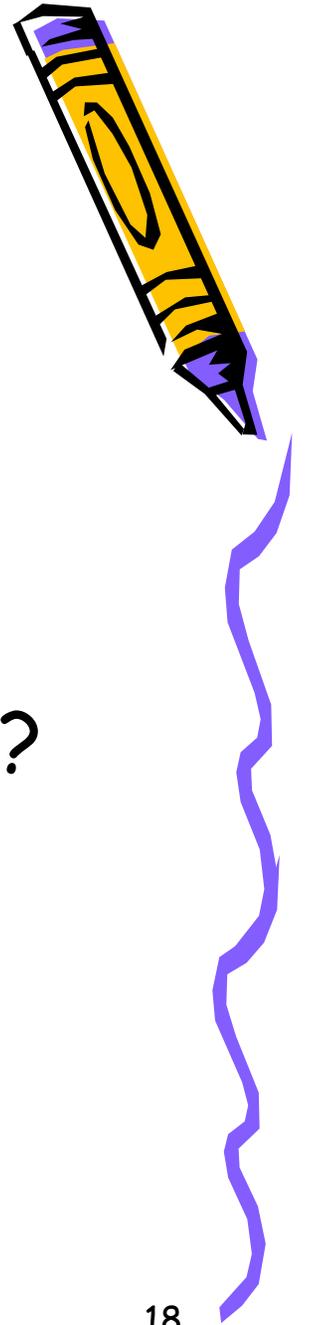
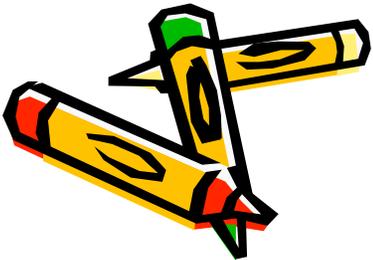
"The more you read,
the better you get at it;
the better you get at it,
the more you like it; and
the more you like it,
the more you do it."

--Trelease (1995)



Evaluate homework time

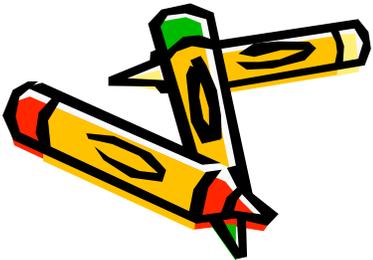
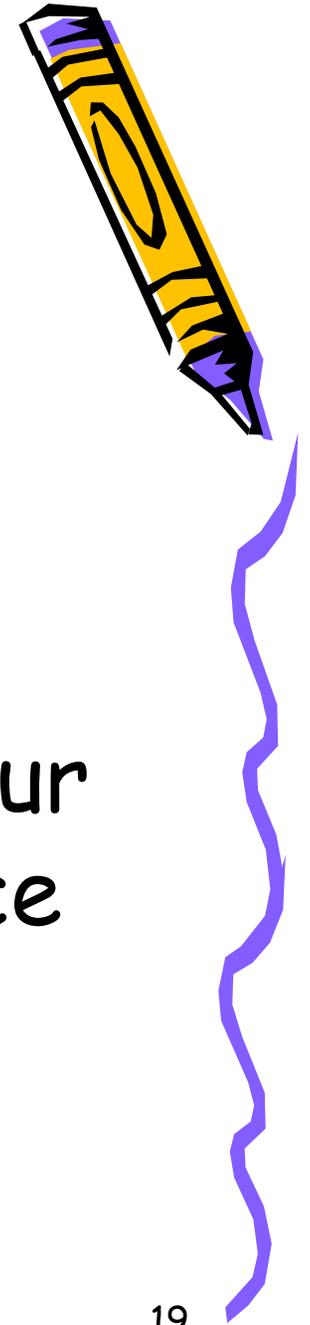
- What worked well?
- What did not work well? And why?
- What should we do next time to make it work better?



Motivating your children to do well in school

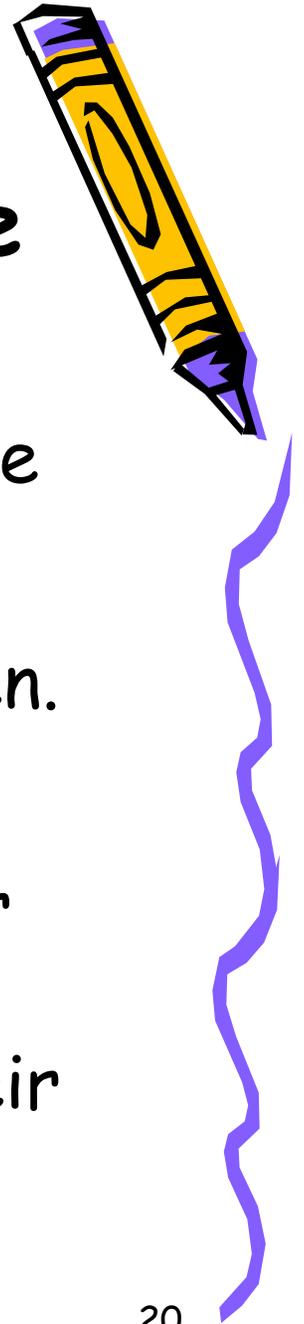
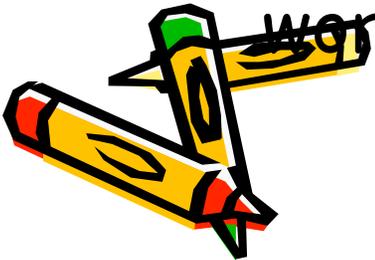
It begins with us!

What messages are we giving our
children about the importance
of education?



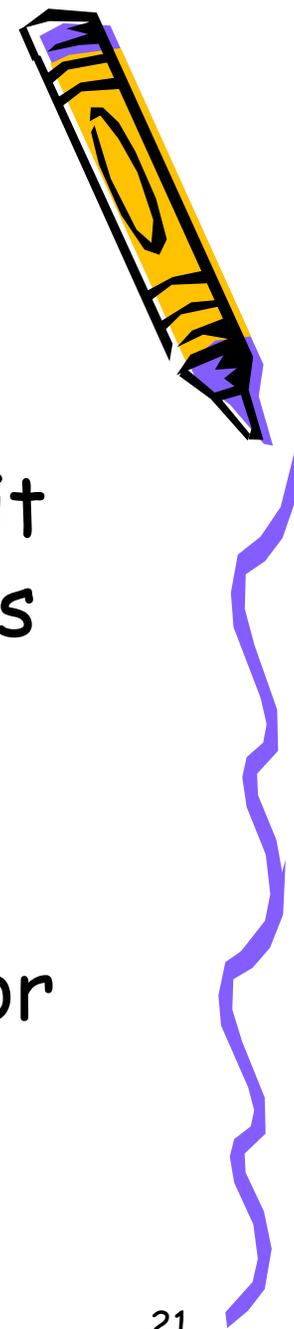
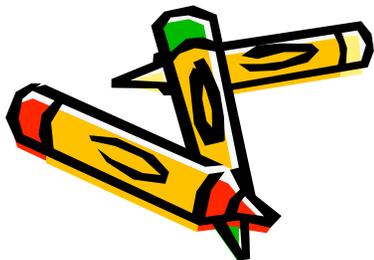
Begin with a positive attitude

- Show interest in what your children are learning at school.
- Focus on the strengths of your children.
- Never say negative things about teachers or the school in front of your children.
- Have a consistent place to show of their work!



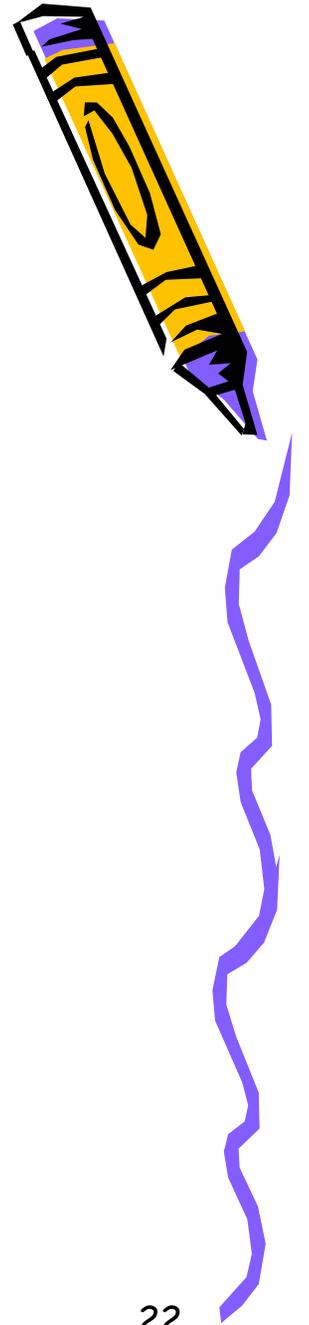
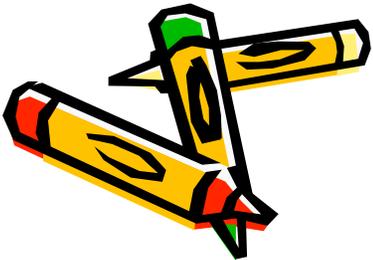
Becoming a positive role model for our children

- If we want our children to read, it is very important that they see us read.
- Sign up for classes or attend parent workshops, family nights or conferences.



Enjoy being a parent

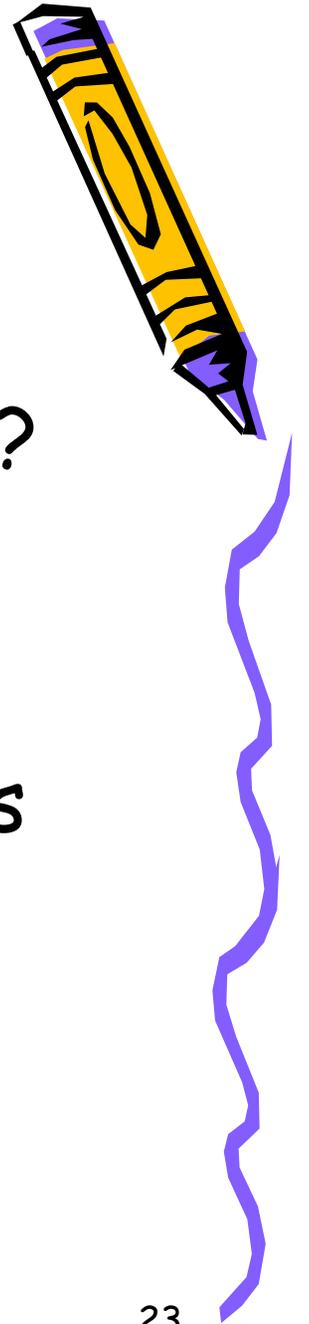
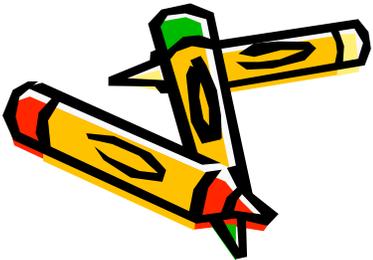
- Take time to enjoy your children.
- Do fun things as a family.
- Delight in your children's accomplishments.



Parent Involvement at KWON

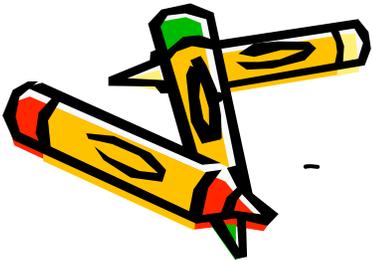
- What would you like to see happen?
- How are you willing to be involved?

Please share your thoughts and ideas on what Parent Involvement at KWON should look like.

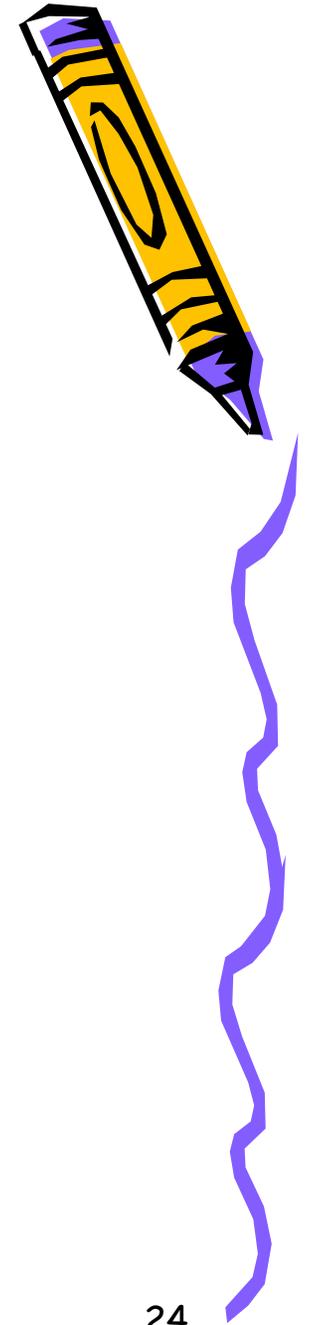


Parent Involvement Opportunities at KWON

- Parent Coffee Hours
- Library (covering and shelving books)
- Classroom (ask your child's classroom teacher)
- Open House
- Parent-Teacher Conferences
- Book Fair
- Hoolale
- Special Events



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