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An Open Letter to All Parents

from Roy Andersen

Dear Parents.,

With over 30 years of teaching and as a scientist in how children learn, I would like to suggest to you 6 points by which you can help your child to do better in school.

- 1) Develop their ability in storytelling. Tell them stories, ask them to make their stories for you. This is very important, because school does not work on intelligence. School works on language and your child's ability to present their mind will be largely due to how you develop their imagination through storytelling. Storytelling increases the words they know, how they can use more words and helps them to relate to different ways information is presented.
- 2) Make sure your child does their assignments at home by themselves and is not distracted from this by television noise. They need peace and quiet to concentrate on what they are doing, so they can develop strategies to think clearly and remember what they are doing.
- 3) We have the idea that a teacher is there to fully educate your child, but the reality is that one teacher can not fully develop the learning of each child in a class of 30 students in 45 minutes. The teacher has a difficult job to keep the concentration and interest of all these minds focused in the short time they have. They do need you to help them. Your part in making sure your child keeps up to date with all their lessons by asking them of previous lessons, does not play computer games too much, does not waste their time on facebook, and goes to bed early is vital.
- 4) Many studies have proven that a child's success in school is much related to the guidance, development of language skills, love and purpose in their lives they receive from their mother. The role of the mother in a child's development is very much misunderstood today.
- 5) Your child will have no experience of the real world and so often not know what they want to do after school. Without this understanding, they do their lessons and assignments because they are told to. There is no inner drive to want to do their learning or to enjoy doing so. But, if you can find an area of interest that your child likes, such as being involved with people, animals, engines or computers etc, and you can steer this interest towards a job, then, you will give your child a drive to want to learn, to want to be better in their studies and to want to find out how they can be better.
- 6) Your child will struggle through many pressures, with many things to learn during their school life, they need your support. Do not push them too hard. Never criticize them. Raise them on high language skills and lots of love. You are the most important factor in your child's ability to concentrate in their lessons and to want to keep up with their lessons as they progress throughout the year. Don't make the mistake of thinking all this is up to the teacher. Your child needs you.

About Roy Andersen:

Roy is a recognized educational expert with over 30 years in the development of the school. He has devoted all of his adult life to the better development of children and is the originator of "The Brain Environment Theory," which presents a new concept to what intelligence is and how children learn. His 7 books are said to be some of the best books written about school, society and learning. Roy is

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continually traveling around the world to help educators and parents understand why school needs a new way to operate, if we are to give our child of today the higher skills of reason they will need in the heavily dominated world of artificial intelligence they must live and work in.

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