

The School Family

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School Family is built through connection The School Family builds connections between families and schools, teachers and teachers, teachers and students, and students and students to ensure the optimal development of all.

Safekeeper

- Creating sense of safety
- "My job is to keep you safe. Your job is to help keep it safe."

How do you help your children feel safe in the classroom?

How will you start your safekeeper ritual?

Structures and Routines

- Structure 1st Nurture 2nd
- Picture schedule
- Model, Add Visuals, Practice (MAP)
- Attention Signals
- Voice Chart

Where do I find chaos?

How do I have children line up?

How do children in my care get supplies?

Brain Smart Start

- Unite
- Disengage Stress
- Connection
- Commitment

How do I build connections with my children?

What would I like to include?

Wish Well

- Very important ritual
- Welcome back students who were absent
- "You were gone, you were missed, where would you like your welcome back kiss"

How do I welcome students back?

What changes do I want to make?

Classroom Jobs

- Choose jobs that are going to be helpful to you!
- Create new ones if they are not working!
- Change weekly to give the child the opportunity to master the skill
- Make a class book that explains each job

Does everyone in my class have a job?

How are jobs chosen?

Are jobs meaningful?

Any jobs I am thinking about changing?

Kindness Ritual

- Helps build connections
- Each time someone does something kind the Kindness Recorder adds a heart to the tree or adds a flower to the flower pot

What do we do in class to show kindness?

What could I do to include a Kindness ritual?

Friends and Family

- Take family picture at Meet the teacher
- Make 3-4 copies
- Put one on a bulletin board
- Make 2 class books
- Put one in the safe place
- Make one portable, so it can be carried when child is upset

Do I have a friends and family board in the classroom?

How can I make the friends and family board more utilized by the children?