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As we get off and running in the 2010/11 school year, it takes time to adjust to the changing schedules and routines. We would like to offer a few strategies busy parents can help children succeed in school. Researchers have been surprised to learn that, when asked if they wanted more time or money, most people answered, "More time." With parents already feeling so harried that they hardly have time to sit down for a meal, how can they find the time to help their children succeed in school?

Luckily, many busy parents have figured out ways to find the time for the important job of helping their children learn. We would like to offer a few helpful tip:

- **Use time in the car with your child;** kids can read signs, practice spelling words, write an essay, discuss the geography and practice math facts.
- **Set Priorities;** Sometimes making a choice between making a fancy dinner or reading with your child. How about a healthy quick meal and reading a book. Making a conscious effort to spend more time is very powerful.
- **Spend one-on-one time;** kids need both "quality" and "quantity" time with you. There's nothing like spending time alone with a parent to make a child feel special.
- **Find your child's "prime time";** for studying. This may be key to his success in school. This may be a key to his/her success in school. Work with your child to find the homework time that's best for him. You might find that his "prime time" works to your advantage too.

Parent Club

The Gerber School Parent Club needs your support. Gerber School has had a very active Parent's Club for years. Parent involvement is crucial to the success of our school. Becoming involved in your school shows your children that you are taking the time to be involved because their education is important. There are many ways parents can get involved in the school; volunteering in the classroom, becoming a member of School Site Council, and being an active member of our Parent's Club. Each year one of the main fundraisers and functions of the Parent's Club is the Halloween Carnival. In order for the Halloween Carnival to happen, it takes many volunteers. Parents!!! We need you now. The Halloween Carnival is just around the corner and will take many people to pull this off. As of today, we are in jeopardy of not being able to offer this wonderful evening of activities. We need you to get involved now. If you are interested in getting involved, please notify our main office or contact Aurora Barriga (Parent's Club President) at 591-7991.

Upcoming Events:

Sept. 2 – Back to School Night
Sept. 6 – No School (Labor Day)
Sept. 7 – Pertussis Clinic 3 – 5 PM
Sept. 10 – T-Shirt Orders Due
Sept. 13 – Minimum Day
Sept. 15 – Picture Day