PURE TIP SHEET The Parent-Teacher Team

The Parent-Teacher Conference

Set up the date ahead of time.

Be on time.

List your questions in advance -- Questions are okay!!! Your questions help the teacher know what to prepare for, what the two of you need to discuss.

Some good questions to ask the teacher

- Does he play well and interact well with the other children?
- How does she relate to the teacher and teacher aide?
- How is his coordination in physical activities?
- How does she do with quiet times such as story time?
- How well does he participate in group activities?
- Does she work well on her own?
- How has she improved since the beginning of the year?

Ask the teacher what you can do to help your child at home

Be friendly and respectful -- just how you would like people to be to you.

Be a good listener -- the teacher has important information to tell you.

Be an active member of the "parent-teacher team"

Ask to volunteer in your child's classroom.

Remember to follow the teacher's direction in the classroom.

Be there when you said you would be; the teacher will be counting on you.

Ask for ways you can help the teacher at home, such as cutting out shapes from construction paper for a class project

Ask if there are things you can save at home for school projects, such as

- egg cartons
- toilet paper tubes and paper towel tubes
- used wrapping paper and ribbons
- used (but cleaned out) plastic containers or plastic jars with lids
- old large shirts for paint smocks
- popsicle sticks -- well washed
- old magazines with lots of pictures

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