

Home Visits

It is very important to cultivate and maintain a very close and loving relationship between the families of the children and the teacher. The relationship between the families and the class is then very special. The families trust the teachers to teach their children correctly and teachers trust families to provide moral and material support.

(Teaching Children's Classes Grade 1, p.126)

The teacher should strive to get close to the children's parents and consult with them constantly about the children's behaviour in class and at home. A habit of having friendly and frequent conversation should be established, during which the children's outstanding qualities and achievements, however small they may be, should be discussed.

(Teaching Children's Classes Grade 1, p.127)

... in consultation with the parents, you can decide how you are going to use these achievements to further motivate the child...

(Teaching Children's Classes Grade 1, p.127)

Children possess latent talents and capacities and it is the teacher that tries to discover their capacities and foster their development, It is thus important for the teacher to continually persevere to do so.

(Teaching Children's Classes Grade 1, p.10)

... we suggest you make a list of the spiritual qualities you wish the children to develop, and for each quality find a quotation from the Writings... comment on them, explain the corresponding quotations and consult on the way everyone can help develop these qualities in the children.

(Teaching Children's Classes Grade 1, p.127)

The aim must be to find a positive means of collaboration between the family and the teacher, thus helping the child to correct his or her shortcomings.

(Teaching Children's Classes Grade 1, p.127)

On this home visit, do we want to:

- share a story about a child's behaviour, qualities or capacities we noticed in class
- explore how to further develop a child qualities or capacities
- discuss concerns about a child
- invite parents to participate in a class or event
- share the current lesson topic/s, including some relevant quotes
- discuss prayers, quotes or songs to be learnt, and enlist whanau support
- invite the parents to another activity, e.g. devotional meeting or study circle
- invite parents to a children's class team planning meeting
- visit other families who might be interested in joining the class
- other?

Home Visit Log

Whanau Visited	Issues Discussed & Materials Used	Date & Visitors