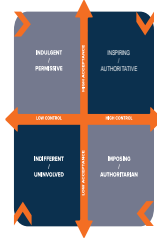


# PARENT ENGAGEMENT STRATEGIES



## 1 Authoritative Parenting

The balance between boundaries and love .

- Decide what is important for your family- what sort of qualities would you like them to have as adults?
- Then teach them these qualities.
- Model and teach them appropriate behavior and expression of emotions and support them to build and maintain positive relationships
- Look after your own health and wellbeing.



## 2 Develop in your child a love of learning

- As the parent show that you value learning and model the behaviours of successful learners to your children
- Help your child develop a good attitude towards learning especially to be motivated and engaged in learning.
- Help them to develop strong work habits and the skills of persistence, planning, organisation to become autonomous learners.
- Encourage them to ask for help.
- Establish routines that promote health and wellbeing- such as regular bedtimes, regular exercise, early dinner times (5.30-6.30pm) and regular study times and place of study



## 3 Hold and pass on high aspirations and realistic expectations

- Share your hopes and dreams and ambitions for your child with them
- Develop in them a belief in their own abilities and a knowledge of their strengths
- Discuss your children's educational and career aspirations



## 4 Lead learning in the home

- Provide a stimulating and learning-rich home environment- teach them what you know and
- What you want them to know-talk to them about what they are interested in
- Don't overload them with extra-curricular activities
- Read to and with them
- Provide routines for homework



## 5 Take an active interest in your child early on and maintain it throughout their schooling

- Start early
- Stay engaged in primary school
- Stay engaged in secondary school
- Stay engaged senior school
- Have home discussions about school
- Connect what children are learning at school with everyday activities in the home and in the real world.



## 6 Build a home- school relationship

This strategy has three major parts.

The Family school relationship

- Is characterized by mutual respect and trust and 2 way communication and an understanding of each other's role, knowledge and expertise .
- Extends from parental involvement with school; parental involvement with schooling; to parental engagement with children's learning. The last stage having the greatest effect on your child's achievement and wellbeing.
- Involves shared wisdom and respect for difference, especially cultural differences.