

the Learning Link

Roscomare Road School

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Parent Workshops

How to Help Your Child Persevere in Math: Math Practices & the Growth Mindset

Grades K-2 - December 2nd
at 3:00 pm in Room 1

Grades 3-5th - December 7th
at 3:00 in Room 8



THE BOOK CLUB

Roscomare's Family Book is the perfect time to celebrate reading with your child and learn reading strategies from Ms. Phillips, Ms. Greenger or Ms. Apanay. If you haven't had the opportunity to join us, here are book club titles you can read with your child during winter break:

- *Esio Trot* by Roald Dahl (2nd)
- *Friendle* by Andrew Clements (2nd)
- *School Days According to Humphrey* by Betty Birney (3rd)
- *Dog Dairies: Ginger* by Kate Klimo (3rd)
- *Where the Red Fern Grows* by Wilson Rawls (4th/5th)
- *The Liberation of Gabriel King* by KL Going (4th/5th)

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Bouncing back from failure turns out to be one of the best lessons a kid can learn. In fact, some educators believe, that skill along with grit matters more to a child's ability to reach his/her full potential just as much as grades. What can you do to help your child get grit?

Put a challenge in front of him. True achievement happens when people bust through boundaries and barriers. If your child never has a chance to triumph over something difficult, she may never develop confidence in her ability to confront challenges.

Promote perseverance. Many of us hold on to the idea that skill comes naturally. The problem with this belief is that it leads many kids to give up on things. Plus, it's not true. Even naturally gifted people have to work hard to hone their ability with hours of practice.

Be a nudge. No one wants to be that parent, the one who pushes her child every step of the way. But, it's OK to let your kids know that you expect them to do their best and to create a structure that will help them do it.



Welcome boredom and frustration.

Success rarely occurs on the first try. In fact, there's usually a pretty long road peppered with *continued on page 2*

Volunteer Tips

- ✓ Check with your child's teacher regarding their volunteer needs
- ✓ Check with your room parent or FOR for volunteer opportunities
- ✓ Sign in and get a visitor's pass when volunteering
- ✓ Complete the LAUSD volunteer form at: <https://volunteerapp.lausd.net/>

Upcoming Dates

- 12/3 – Parent Math Workshop (K-2)
- 12/4 – FOR Meeting
- 12/7 – Parent Math Workshop (3-5)
- 12/10 – Art Open House/Workshop
- 12/11 – Holiday Movie
- 12/20-1/8 – Holiday Break (No School)

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all sort of bumps and potholes to navigate along the way. Being confused, frustrated, and sometimes completely bored out of your mind is part of the journey. When kids understand that learning isn't supposed to be easy all the time, perseverance comes easier.

Let him/her fall — and model resilience.

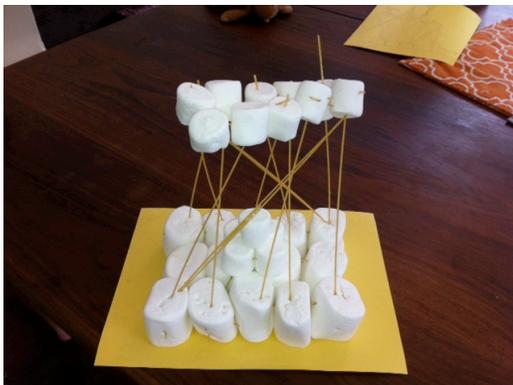
Being able to pick himself up from low moments is probably the most important skill a child can learn. Teach resilience.

Taken from Scholastic "The Power of Defeat"

Art Open House

Do you have questions about our new art program? Come join us for a holiday craft and to learn more about the Roscomare Road art program from Ms. Murray.

Thursday, December 10th
3:00 – 4:00 pm in Room 21.



Tower built by Laszlo Dworkin, 1st grade (Rm 4)

Do you know the Math Practices? They are at the heart of common core math instruction.

Make SENSE of problems and persevere in solving them.

Reason abstractly and quantitatively.

Construct viable arguments and critique the reasoning of others.

Model with mathematics.

Use appropriate TOOLS strategically.

Attend to precision.

Look for and make use of structure.

Look for and express regularity in repeated reasoning.

The Great Holiday Listen



The Great Holiday Listen is a project supported by the California Department of Education. It's about the sharing of wisdom, gratitude, and respect across generations. It's an opportunity for children to discover the history in their own families while honoring their elders through the act of listening.

How do you do it?

1. Have your children prepare questions to ask elderly relatives or friends about their life during a holiday celebration or dinner. These questions can include questions about their childhood, school, first job, wars, or historical happenings.
2. Have your child interview elders and listen intently to their stories. Make sure your child takes notes, makes a video, takes pictures, or somehow records this interaction. *Share pictures or stories at roscomarescience@gmail.com.*