POWERFUL PARTNERS
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Parents and Guardians,
 You are powerful partners in education and learning does not have to end in the classroom. How can you help at home? Here are some engaging activities that will support learning at home and help your child become more successful in their studies.

READING

Increase Reading Fluency

- Echo Reading – As you and your child read a text, read one sentence then have them read the same sentence out loud. This form of repeated reading helps them see you model fluency then lets them practice it.

- Extensive reading – The best way to help your 1st grader to read fluently is to get them to read a lot! Provide lots of books of their choice at home and get them to enjoy reading so that they practice often.

Increase Reading Comprehension

- Keep it fun.Remember that reading together should spark curiosity, joy, and a desire to explore and learn. Conversations about books should be enjoyable, and not a set of quizzes and questions.

- Bring in the nonfiction. There are so many great nonfiction and informational books for every young kids (such as the popular DK Eyewitness series and National Geographic series). Try to include some of these during your next trip to the public library. Children love learning about the real world and are proud to share what they know!

MATH

Add and Subtract within 20

- Give your child an addition fact that equals 20 or less. Have them give you additional facts that equal the same amount.(Example: 5+5=10, what else equals 10?Child: 7+3, 8+2, etc.)

- As you are traveling down the road, have your child practice subtraction facts. You can also do this by making up word problems.(Example: We have 5 miles to get to the store and we have driven 3 miles, how many miles do we have left to go?)

Understand Place Value

- Give your child different two digit numbers. Have them identify the ones place in each number. (Example: 52 (the 2 is in the ones place)

- Give your child different two digit numbers. Have them identify the tens place in each number, and tell you the VALUE of the number. (Example:67 – the 6 is in the tens place and the VALUE is 60.)