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Dear Parents,

It has been researched and proven that one of the best ways to help your child develop responsibility is assigning chores. Even simple chores can make a great impact on your child.

- Chores help your child experience a sense of investment. For example, if your child has swept the floor, then it may be less likely that the child will track in mud.
- Chores help your child to feel pride in work completed. Be sure that you compliment your child on a job well done. This good feeling can carry over to times that your child may have to face a difficult task.
- Chores can help your child feel that he/she have contributed to the family needs. Congratulate your child on his/hers contribution.
- Chores give your child a chance to improve following directions skills. Learning to follow given directions when baking cookies is no different than following directions when completing homework assignments.

We are now approaching the end of this school year. Your child has made progress. It is important that progress not be lost during the summer months. I encourage you to keep practicing reading and math skills. It will help to make next year more successful. Encourage your child to read at least ten to fifteen minutes daily. Practice the multiplication facts. Try to make any and all reviews as much fun as possible.

Math is built on previous knowledge so review and practice. Practicing math skills daily provides a way to improve. Remember that Clover Garden purchased the rights to Study Island, an excellent program to help prepare your child for NC State Testing. If you have not visited this site, give it a try.

Thank You,
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