

## Suggestions for Parents and Caregivers

1. Be supportive and speak positively about the program and the teacher. Your attitude will influence your child. The success of the program depends largely on the efforts and the mutual support of all involved.

2. Read to your child in any language and make it fun! Instilling a love of reading will help French literacy skills.

3. Listen and watch French programming such as music and beginner podcasts in the car and at home. You can find these resources in the link in this email and here:

<https://start.me/p/ILd5M9/grade-4-resources-for-parents-and-students-middle>

4. Ask your child to teach you the new French words that he/she/they used that day in class.

5. Have French readers at home so that your child can read in French. Please see link to parent/student resources.

6. Do not compare your child's progress with the neighbour's children. No two teachers and no two students work at the same rate

7. Assist your child in completing class assignments or projects by helping with organizational or presentation skills

8. Model and encourage your child:

\*to be courageous in language learning. It takes courage to learn something new!

\*to be resilient and have a growth mindset. Falling down or not getting it right is part of the learning process. Success is based on perseverance and hard work.

<https://fs.blog/carol-dweck-mindset/>

\*to be an active listener – there is so much watching & listening in a new language

\*to have a positive attitude about learning something new

\*to be curious

\*to be an active participant in class activities – choral repetition, plays, singing - it all takes place during language learning