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The second chapter in Conscious Discipline is Encouragement. Encouragement is all about building the School Family. This relates to the power of unity and the value of interdependence (caring, sharing, kindness, and helpfulness). The purpose of this is to create a sense of belonging for all children. In terms of brain development, social successes prime the brain for academic achievement. In terms of emotional development, relationships, embedded in the school family, are the motivation and cradle of all learning.

One way that we have integrated this concept into the classroom, is by having each child do a job. Everyday each child has a job. The jobs rotate weekly. The jobs board is a visual that helps us keep track of who has what job. The jobs are as follows:

- Snack Preparer-Pours and passes out the water at snack
- Attendance Assistant-Leads the line down to the office, gives the green attendance folder to the school secretary.
- Clean Up Crew-Assists with clean up when the children are at table time.
- Computer Assistant-Assists Miss Dorothy with entering the attendance into the computer.
- Carpet Square Mover-Pick up and put away the carpet squares
- Sensory Motor Room Scout-Calls the children into the Sensory Motor room.
- Group Time Assistant-Passes out the centers cards.
- · Lights Operator-Turns on and off the lights.
- · Magic Wand Person-Taps the children after quiet time.
- · Move Jugs-moves the heavy jugs.
- Move Books-moves the heavy books.
- · Return Books to Book Center-after story time.
- · Back Pack Check Assistant-Assists Ms. D. with Back Pack check