

“To know when to be generous and when firm—that is wisdom.”

Elbert Hubbard

As my family and I grow older, we find that time is of the essence. Finding quality family time is so important, that I am conflicted at times because of the demands of the outside world. Every family has bumps in the road but I have learned that the secret is about how I react to the bump is what is important. That’s why I chose the opening quote for this week’s newsletter. Wisdom is so elusive at times – I wish I had more wishes for more wisdom!

True wisdom is the ability to learn from other people’s experiences. Therefore, child psychologist, Dr. Charles Schaefer, asked this question of 50 parents who had successfully reared children: “Based upon your personal experience, what is the best advice you could give new parents about raising children?” The most frequent parental advice offered was:

1. Love abundantly
2. Discipline constructively
3. Be clear, consistent and authoritative
4. Punish in private
5. Be flexible, reasonable, and understanding
6. Discourage continued dependency
7. Spend time together
8. Develop mutual respect
9. Really listen
10. Tend to personal and marital need

Thank you for your continued support of our school. It is my pleasure to be your principal! If I may assist you or your children in any way possible or answer any questions that you may have please call me at 714.528.7475 or e-mail me at rrendon@bousd.us

Sincerely,

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