Reflect on the school year with your child & celebrate success!

As the school year winds down, it’s a good time to help your child look back, look forward, give thanks and celebrate.

Here’s how:

- Talk to your child’s teacher. Get her thoughts on your child’s strengths and weaknesses. How has she improved? Where does she need more work? Ask what you can do to help your child over the summer.
- Talk to your child about the school year. Ask what she thinks went well. Help her figure out what changes she should make next year.
- Review your child’s successes. Look over schoolwork you’ve saved during the year. Point out how much she’s learned—how many new words, for example. Or how she can add and divide. Or how her writing has improved.
- Help your child list learning goals for the summer. Guide her, based on suggestions from her teacher.
- Encourage your child to thank those who have made the year a good one—the teacher, bus driver, food service worker, etc. This will help her appreciate how many people have helped her.
- Celebrate with a special activity and enjoy some one-on-one time with your child.

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