

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER FROM THE INDIAN MONTESSORI FOUNDATION

In an initiative to serve the community in trying times, we bring to you a weekly series on topics that are relevant to our current lives within our homes.

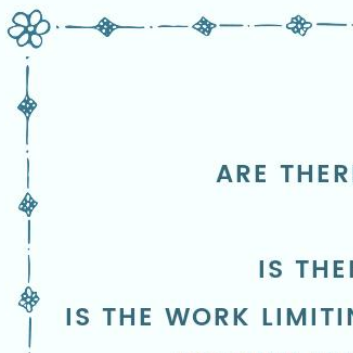
WORK AT HOME

An elementary child (6 to 12 years) is a child ready to plunge into the mechanics of the cosmos and unravel its mysteries using his reasoning and imaginative mind. He has great intellectual rigour. He is curious about the society and how it functions and is drawn to its moral scales. He is interested and inspired by everything! He is ever ready to take up challenges and loves 'Big Work'. He can live upto our expectations and go beyond them!

In this period of online classes and access to endless recources being piled on a daily basis, children's learning has taken a whole new meaning. While we have questions of continuity in academic skills, it is vital to consider the developmental needs of the children and



continue to use that as a cornerstone in their education, aiding life. Here are some questions that can guide us.



IS THERE CHOICE IN WORK?

IS IT BASED ON THE CHILD'S INTEREST?

ARE THERE STORIES TO INSPIRE HIM MORALLY AND INTELLECTUALLY?

ARE EXPECTATIONS CLEARLY SET?

IS THERE DIALOGUE WITH THE CHILD IN PLANNING HIS WORK?

IS THE WORK LIMITING OR IS THERE SCOPE FOR THE CHILD TO PROCEED TILL HE WISHES?

DO THEY FEEL SUCCESSFUL IN IT, BEING ABLE TO GET IT TO COMPLETION?

IS IT UNDER OR OVER CHALLENGING?

ARE THERE RESOURCES ON THE TOPIC FOR THE CHILD TO LOOK INTO?

DOES THE CHILD PERFORM THE WHOLE CYCLE OF BEGINNING AND WINDING UP AFTER?

IS STATIONERY READILY ACCESSIBLE?

IS THERE A PLACE TO STORE HIS WORK?



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