COMMUNITY LINKAGES- THE BRIDGE TO SUCCESS IN SCHOOL

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“The school is a part of community and community is a pivotal factor in school.”

We have learned in Araling Panlipunan that a community consists of home, school, health center, playground, etc (Araling Panlipunan Grade 2, Teachers’ Guide and Learners’ Material). The community believes that the school plays a crucial role in developing the minds of the learners. The school, on the other hand, believes that community plays an important role as well.

One of the key factors in the success of the school is the cooperation from community. It is clearly evident that Parent Teachers’ Association (PTA) contributes to the progress of the school. The PTA serves as a bridge between the parents and the teachers. The PTA also helps in disseminating information to parents regards projects and other concerns. If there is strong rapport in PTA, school projects and goals are more likely to succeed.

Aside from that, if parents are cooperative regarding pupils’ welfare, they will be of great help to teachers. They can monitor the pupils’ progress and guide them at home. If there is a follow-up at home, the learning and retention rate is higher. Having a good relationship with parents also minimize conflicts. Diplomacy and mediation often resolve arguments, making the relationship in school more favourable and peaceful.
Another important linkage is the help from the local government. In the present school situation, the assistance from local government is visible. Barangay and even municipal officials extend their help to the school. They attend programs, give assistance and help in school activities. In camping and co-curricular activities, they are also there to help. Such gestures are great implications that school and community are working well together, for the children’s progress.

They say that two heads are better than one. This is particularly true in the school and learners’ progress. The school is grateful as it receives support from the community. Having the support from the community strengthens the possibility of the learners reaching their optimum potential.

The equation “School + Community = Learners’ Progress” is a positive sign. Linking hands, extending help and working hand-in-hand together is a good sign that everyone is willing to help for the success of the learners…our future leaders.

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