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Dear Caregivers,

Mahsi for registering your child in ……..*(put name of language, region etc. wherever… in this letter)* immersion. We are so excited to help them on their journey to be fluent speak …… speakers. What a gift you’ve given them!

BENEFITS OF ……. IMMERSION:

* Being confident in their identity as …….,
* Being able to communicate with the Elders and other speakers to learn their culture through their language,
* Giving your child a competitive edge for working in the ……… region and beyond; and
* Having strong academics in other subject areas.

SOME THINGS YOU MIGHT NOTICE AT FIRST:

* Your child might be shy or nervous to speak the language – that doesn’t mean they’re not learning,
* Your child might be extra tired and hungry at the end of a day at school; and
* Your child might become frustrated and act out.

This is all normal and as they begin to understand and gain confidence in using …….. your child will become more comfortable and be less stressed. It’s all part of the learning process.

SOME WAYS YOU CAN HELP:

* Ensure your child gets a good night sleep,
* Provide a snack right at the end of the school day,
* Ask them what they learned at school,
* Help them attend regularly; and
* Listen to how they are feeling – are they frustrated? Give them a hug and say you understand and that you know they will learn ………and that it will get better.

MORE WAYS YOU CAN HELP IF YOU ARE A …….. SPEAKER YOURSELF:

* Speak your language at home on a regular basis,
* Engage your child in your language during household activities such as dinner time,
* Remember to speak slowly; and
* Meet with the teacher to find out what the simple phrases or sentences are used for classroom routines and use the same phrases at home.

IF YOU ARE A NON-SPEAKER AND JUST STARTING TO LEARN YOUR LANGUAGE:

* Ask your child to teach you what ……. phrases they learned at school
  + Practice those things together in ……..,
* Encourage your child to act as your teacher,
* Be curious and excited with your child,
* If available, sign up for a language class to learn together; and
* Go to [www.ourlanguagesnwt.com](http://www.ourlanguagesnwt.com) and learn some of the phrases and songs provided in …….

If you have any further questions don’t hesitate to contact your child’s teacher or me, …..

THEN SIGN HERE….