Strategies for Relatedness at Home

The purpose of strategies for relatedness at home is to encourage positive interactions and conversations among students, their parents or guardians, and other family members. These conversations contribute to parents' knowledge of their child's involvement in school and their engagement in learning activities.

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Here are some relatedness strategies for the home:

With your class, carry out a brainstorming discussion on how to apply relatedness strategies at home. Write all students' ideas on a screen or on the board, and identify their top six preferred strategies. Invite students to discuss how they might share these strategies with their family members (e.g., emails, school website, Facebook pages, written letters or memos to parents).

During a full class or small group activity, invite students to identify three positive things that happened to them during the past week. Ask students to choose one example to share with their parents or guardians.

Have students share about an activity carried out in class with a family member. Invite students to write down, describe or draw their family member's response or perspective about the class activity, and share