

## Marvelous Explorations through Science and Stories (MESS): Parent Involvement in Science

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Terri Harper: There is great parent involvement. We have seen parents get so excited about MESS. They have a take-home kit they do -- on their little backpacks. The parent takes home the experience, the books, the materials. They go home, they work with the children. Sometimes we don't see them come back for days, but that means that they're working with those at home. The children get so excited, and the parents are like, "Where's our kit? We want to take home this kit."

So that brings parent involvement into the classroom. It -- it involves them in science. We've also seen a great number of parents that want to go on the field trips.

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