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As part of the Mt St Thomas Public Schools Commitment to ensuring children's transitions from prior to school settings to school is successful for the child, family and School, they have formed a Transition to school committee. As part of the transition plan for children starting school in 2005 the committee has developed a parent mentoring program.

In brief this means that several parents have been selected to be mentors/support people to a small group of new parents attending Mt St Thomas School in 2005.

A mentor is simply an adviser or guide and would be available to assist new parents with any questions or concerns they may have during the transition phase of starting school.

The Transition to School Committee would be very grateful if you would consider becoming one of our mentors in the program. If you are interested in participating in this program could you please call Tracey Kirk-Downey on 42264190 (hm) by Monday the 18th October. We will be having an information session for those interested on Friday the 22nd October at 9.15am in the school Library. At this meeting we will be discussing in more detail what the program hopes to achieve and your role in assisting us achieve our goal of helping new families transition well into our wonderful community of Mount St Thomas Public School.

I very much look forward to hearing from you and hope you will help us ensure a great transition for families starting school at Mount St Thomas in 2005.

Tracey Kirk-Downey

On behalf of the transition to school Committee

