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Homework for students, parents

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When the children go back to school, parents get homework.

The Ontario Ministry of Education has a few tips for parents to help all year round.

- **Routine:** Homework can be habit forming so work out a schedule and enforce it. Your child will know what is expected of him and eventually complete his homework without you asking.

- **Make space:** Find a bright spot away from distractions such as siblings, television, radio, conversation and video games so

your child can concentrate.

- **Practice makes perfect:** Repetition reinforces learning so have your children practice the essentials, reading, writing and math everyday for ten to 15 minutes.

- **Just ask:** Take a few moments everyday to ask your child "how was your day?" Children will become more excited about school if you take an interest.

- **Check in:** When working on homework alone, children's mind tend to drift so it is a good idea to pop your head into the room, ask if there are any questions and discuss a homework problem if your child is having difficulty.

- **Assign your own homework:**

Everyday tasks can be a learning experience including searching newspapers, reading recipes and creating shopping lists. Even the smallest task can be a big lesson.

- **Applause:** Encouragement gives children confidence. At the end of every homework session let your child know you appreciate and admire the effort.

- **Question and answer:** Encourage curiosity and questions which helps your child learn and make it fun. Let him know it is acceptable to ask for help when needed.

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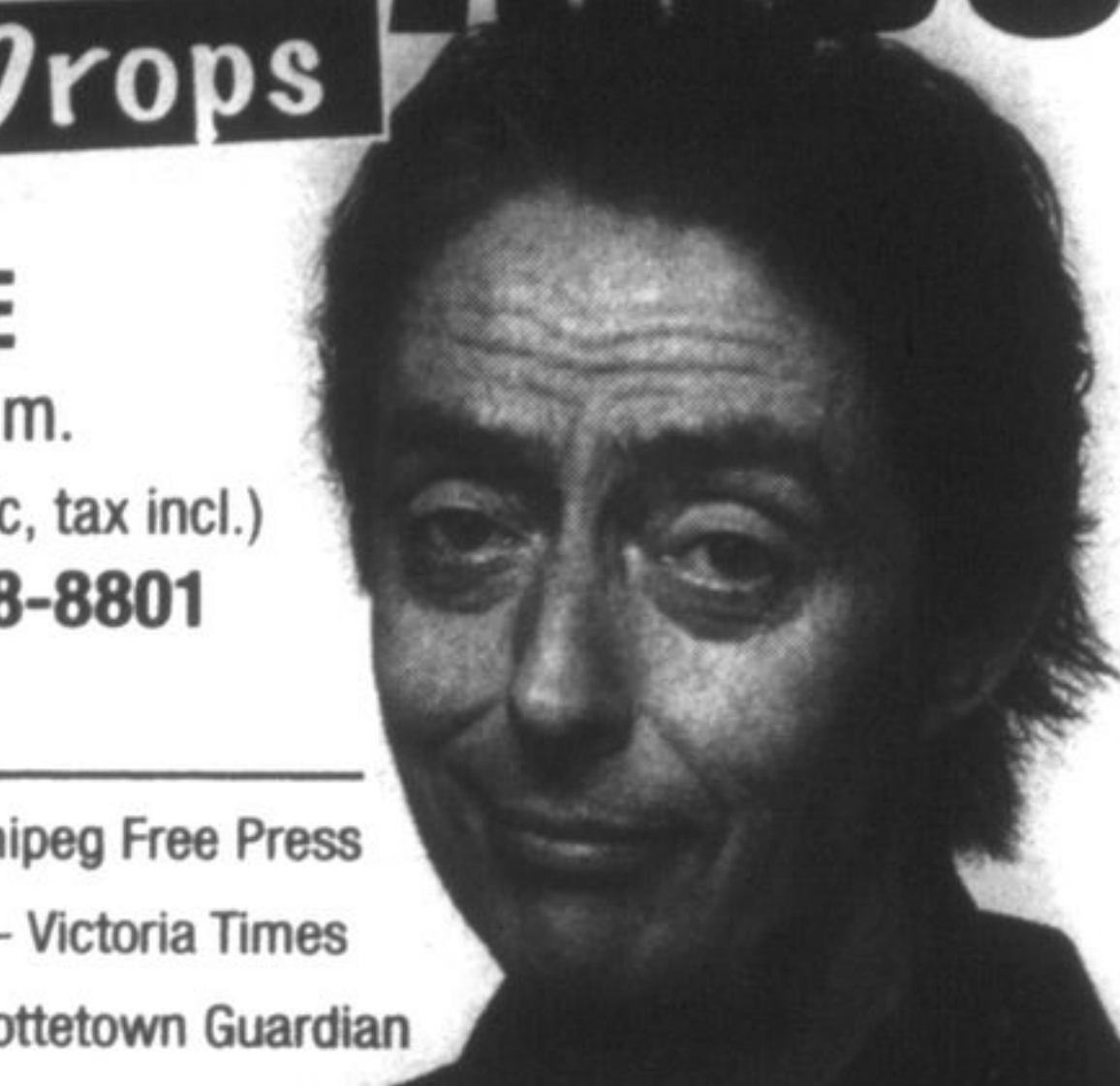
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