

KATY MAGAZINE PRESENTS REAL-LIFE

CONFESSIONS OF A *Katy Parent*

There are times when you can't believe you did that. Katy parents reveal some of their most embarrassing parenting moments.

Our sources' initials were used to protect the embarrassed.

The Cool Class

"On the first day of school last year, *J complained all morning of a tummy ache and even asked me to pull over twice on the way to school because he thought he needed to throw up. I wanted to know what the new teacher was like and didn't want him to miss all the fun first day of school stuff, like scoping out the new teacher and telling me which kids were in his class (so I'd know if we were in the cool class or not). Well, about an hour into day one of school, I got a phone call to come pick him up because he puked all over his new classroom. The good news is that he missed his math book. Turns out he had strep. Who knew? All because mommy wanted to be 'in the know.'" - L.H.

Baby Unplugged

"I underestimated the power of prune juice. *A was 5 months old and constipated. The pediatrician recommended one ounce of prune juice to four ounces of water. With no results 24 hours later, I gave her the dose a second time and might have 'topped it off' with an extra shot of prune juice. Still no action, so my husband I decided to go out to dinner at Panera Bread. Just as we sat her infant carrier on the table, she exploded. And when I say exploded, I mean dripping out of the bottom of the car seat, onto the table, onto the floor, and dripping all the way to the bathroom. Needless to say, we didn't show our face at Panera for a while - or try prune juice again - ever." - S.H.

Mission Possible

"My wife was having trouble getting the boys to do their chores. I decided to convince them that every task was an Army mission. I dubbed them Alpha and Bravo, turned out all the lights, told them to rescue the hostage (the dog), and get her to safety (let her outside). Mission accomplished. Whatever works." - T.L.

Backyard Knockout

"One time we were messing around in our backyard with our 6-year-old boys and *D tossed an empty can at one son and knocked his first tooth out. It made for a great teacher's conference explaining his cute illustration for open house that year." - K.S.

We're All Out

"When I don't feel like doing something, or I know we don't have time, and I'd like to avoid the fight - I lie. I tell the kids that certain things are closed. So far Chick-fil-A has been closed, the pool is closed, and even the library. If I really want a diet coke or something quick from Sonic, I also tell them they are all out of tater tots. 'See the sign? No tater tots today! It's going to be a sad day when they can finally read.'" - M.C.

Sweet Secrets

"I eat chocolate while hiding in the bathroom so I don't have to share." - R.T.

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