

# Literacy Bags

Dear Parents,

This is your child's Literacy Bag. It will come home with your child Monday- Thursdays of each week. It will contain a book appropriate for Kindergarten reading. I ask that each evening you please do the following...

- 1. Read the Title to them.**
- 2. Read the book TO them first (pointing to each word as you read).**
- 3. Have them read the book to you. They will need lots of help in the beginning and aren't expected to be able to read independently. Although, they may surprise you and be able to read independently, as the books will contain the STAR words we have been working on.**
- 4. Have them pick things out like: upper and lower case letters, periods, question marks, words they know, letters in their name, etc. Talk about the pictures and what's happening in the story as well.**
- 5. Give lots of praise and encouragement!! This should be a positive, fun time with your child.**
- 6. Please have your child read the book to you and record it on the reading log. A new book will come home Monday-Thursday. Please make sure books and reading logs are kept in the bag and returned the following day. Thank you in advance for your support at home!**

Please fill out the reading log each night. When they complete the form they will receive a prize. If you find the books are too easy for your child, that's okay. Everyone is starting at the same level, and once I get to know your child's skills better, I will adjust the book levels. The routine is what I would like to have in place first.

These little readers should not take the place of the reading aloud that you do with your child. Reading aloud is an awesome activity for you and your child and I encourage you to do so as often as you can. Thank you so much for your support! Please contact me with any questions or comments.

Happy Reading-

Mrs. Olewnik