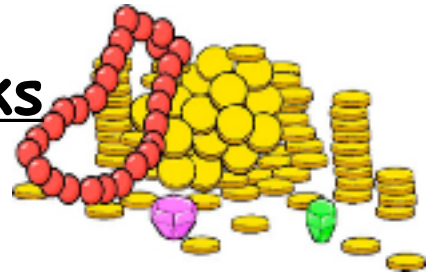




Treasure Books



Today your child is bringing home his/her first Book Treasure. Treasure Books are special pieces of literature that we read at school every Friday. On these special days, your child will be bringing home a film canister that contains a slip of paper and a "Book Treasure." The "Book Treasure" is a small item that relates to the Treasure Book.

Please take some time to talk about the Book Treasure and the Treasure Book with your child. The slip of paper will give you some helpful information to use in this discussion.

See if your child can remember the title of the book and tell you how the treasure pertains to the story. The slip of paper will also have additional questions that your child should be able to answer.

The purpose of this activity is to help build comprehension as well as retelling skills. These are very important parts of literacy instruction.

This activity is intended to be a fun School/Home Connection. Do not worry if your child can not remember all the details of the story. The book title and author are listed on the slip so you can look for the book at the Public Library. If you find your child is having difficulty recalling details in a story, review story structure every time you read with your child. You may want to just start with recalling setting and characters and then build into problem and solution.

At school your child has made a very special Treasure Chest. This box is to remain at home. Every week, after you and your child have discussed the Treasure Book, have your child put the Treasure and the slip in the box. You may want to occasionally review past Treasure Books.

It would be very helpful if your child could return the **EMPTY** film canister to school on the next school day. I will also gladly take any empty film containers that you may have. They are getting more difficult to find in these digital days.

Remember, have fun and enjoy this special time with your child!

