

October 8, 2019

Dear Parents,

Now is the time for one of the most memorable experiences your child will have in the first grade. On Friday, November 22, 2019, we will have our **Annual 1** st **Grade Character Day.**

As your child begins his/her new reading experiences, it is important that he/she views reading as a fun and exciting time. A shared reading experience is a great start to a successful and happy reading road. This is what *Character Day* is all about.

Please help your child choose a book that **YOU** will read to him/her over the next several weeks. The book you choose should be one of the following genres: fairy tale, tall tale, fantasy, or fable. We have included a suggested list of titles with this letter. If you choose a book you have enjoyed as a child or one you would love to share, you will encourage the level of excitement and help with comprehension. Ask plenty of questions throughout the book. You will be surprised how much you will enjoy this time you spend together, and your child will remember this book experience for the rest of his/her life.

On *Character Day,* your child will dress as a character from the book that has been read to him/her.

Each child will give a summary of his/her book during a **short 3 minute** oral report time. You are invited to share in this oral report time which will begin at 8:30 a.m. Friday, November 22, 2019. More information on this will be forwarded to you at a later date.

Please have your child's book approved by me on or before Wednesday, October 15, 2019.

I need the actual book sent in with your child along with the bottom portion of the book list noting your book selection. I will return the book quickly so that you may begin reading.

Thank You,

Mrs. Boudreaux, Mrs. Carpenter, and Mrs. Dubourg