



home school connections

## READING AT HOME

Dear Families,

Here are some ideas to get your child interested in reading.

- Take your child to the library regularly to check out books on topics of interest. Ask the children's librarian for suggestions. Also, find out about special library events for children. Most public libraries offer summer reading programs, story times, and other programs free of charge.
- Give your child books as gifts to show the importance and value of books and reading.
- Set aside time to read to your child every night. Right before bedtime works well for many families. Make this a special quiet time that you and your child look forward to at the end of the day.
- Write notes to your child and encourage your child to write notes back to you. You can tuck notes in a lunch box or backpack, or you can post them on the refrigerator or bathroom mirror. If your child cannot read independently yet, use a combination of drawings with words such as

I ♥ You!

I hope you enjoy these ideas.

Sincerely,

*Eastwood Reading Team*

