

Book of the Month Club

This month our class is beginning a new approach towards reading at home.

1. **20-30 minutes of nightly reading** - students will need to continue to read 20-30 minutes a night and complete their reading logs.
2. **Book of the Month Report** - students will read a book of the month and complete the assignment handed out in class.

The book of the month for October is a "just right" book. It should be an interesting book at an appropriate reading level. Students should encounter some unknown words, but no more than five on a page. Students may choose to read the book independently, or you may read the book aloud with your child, or use an audio version of the story with which your child can read along. These books should offer interesting problems the characters work through. While reading, your child should think about how the **7 Habits of Happy Kids was used by characters in the book OR should have been used.**

I have included a description of the report on the following pages. Please email me if you have any questions.

Mrs. Currie

A New Cereal on the Shelf

If you could invent a cereal based on the fictional book you read, what would it be? After you think of a name and shape for your cereal, you'll design a cereal box for it.

Due Date

November
12th

Materials

Empty cereal box, white or light-colored paper, scissors, markers or crayons, construction paper, glue, tape.

Directions

1. Find a copy of a "just right" book.
2. Think about what you will name your cereal. Choose a name that sounds enticing and that relates to the story in some way. Then, choose a shape for your cereal, as well as colors and ingredients that also relate to the book. For example, for Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone, you might invent a cereal called *Wizard Wands*, a toasted oat cereal in the shape of miniature lightning bolts.
3. Cover an empty cereal box with white or light-colored paper. Or you might want to write and draw on appropriate-sized sheets of paper and then glue them onto the box. Write a rough draft and draw sketches before moving on to your final copy. Here are guidelines for each side of the box:

€ Front

Write the name of your cereal and draw a picture to go with it. You might draw characters or other pictures to help sell your product. Make your cereal box look appealing and fun. Look at actual cereal boxes for ideas.

€ Back

Design a game that is based on the story. It can be a puzzle, a word game, or any other fun activity that might be found on the back of a cereal box. Make sure it includes at least 3 of the 7 habits and how they were used (or not used) in the story. Describe your idea below.

€ Right Side

Under the heading "Ingredients," list the main characters and write a sentence about each one. Then describe the setting (place and time).

€ Left Side

Write a summary of the book. Use 7 Habits language to describe the main conflict and the resolution.

€ Top

Write the title, author, and your name.

4. **EXTRA CREDIT!!!** Plan a commercial, lasting no longer than 2 minutes, for your cereal and be prepared to present it to the class.

