

# Book Buddy

February 4, 2019

Dear First Grade Parents,

Reading has been a consistent homework assignment since the beginning of school to provide the students with ample practice to develop fluency. Today your child will receive his/her first "Book buddy" bag. Starting this month, the students will each select a leveled book of their choice. The books begin at level 1 and complete at level 72. When the entire series is completed the students will then begin taking leveled chapter books. The students can select which books from the displayed set they want to read completing the first set as they move along. The students are to then fill out the reading log in which they tell if they liked the book or not as well as providing a reason behind their opinion. **Please keep the log in the Book Buddy Bag.** The students can keep the book for as long as two days and then they are to return the book to select another. When every student has read the first set of readers we will advance in level. The Book Buddy bag will not be going home on Fridays. Let us continue building the students' love of reading.

I will continue to send home the Daily Reading Log each month. The children are encouraged to read for pleasure at home and record their reading on the Daily Reading log.

If an additional copy of the reading log is needed, it can be found on our class page on the school website: [www.shshartsdale.org](http://www.shshartsdale.org) .

Sincerely,

*Mrs. Burgio*