

1,000 Books Before Kindergarten

This year at the Honey Grove Library, we will be offering 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten. This program was created from the inspiration found in Mem Fox's book, Reading Magic. It is based on evidence from research findings that the more children ages 0-5 hear books read to them, the more prepared they will be to learn to read upon reaching kindergarten.

Upon registration, the family receives a simple reading log and a list of recommended books appropriate for the child's age.

After reading **25, 50 and 75 books**, the child receives a sticker on the reading log.

After reading **100 books**, the child will have his/her picture taken to display on the bulletin board.

After reading **200 books**, the child receives a reading duck.

After reading **400 books**, the child receives a book bag.

After reading **600 books**, the child receives a book.

After reading **1,000 books**, the child receives a T-shirt. Congratulations!!!

How do parents track reading????

Parents will track reading by recording each title. If your child has a favorite book, and it is read over and over, it can be counted each time read. If there are more than one child enrolled, and the same book is read to all of them, all get to count the book.

Does this sound impossible to accomplish before Kindergarten??? If a child reads three books a day, he/she will be able to read 1095 books in a year. If you read a lot to your children, just imagine the number of books you have read to them!!!!