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### Welcome Back!

Welcome to another exciting school year at William Beanes. As the Reading Specialist, I assist the teachers in working with students, am a member of the S.I.T team and administrative team and I coordinate reading activities in the building for students.

Parents feel free to e-mail or call me with any reading needs that your child may have. My door is always open. I have included some reading tips below that you may want to share with your child.

#### Read-aloud Enjoyment

Some of the best times with your child may be

when you share a story. Get the most out of reading aloud with these three easy tips:

Hold the book so your youngster can see the words and pictures while you're reading. Run your finger under the text, or point to interesting things in the illustrations.

Take your time and don't rush the story. Your child can tell if you're in a hurry. Reading slowly will help you read clearly-and give you and your youngster more time together.

Don't be afraid to stop reading a book if your child doesn't seem interested. Have a backup selection ready so read-aloud can continue.



### Newspaper Learning

With thousand of words in every issue, newspapers are a great way to build your youngster's reading skills. Grab a paper, and try these activities.

Matching game

Have your child cut out

several photographs and their captions separately. Mix them up. Matching the captions and the photos will improve his or her reading comprehension.

Scavenger hunt

List items in the newspa-

per (car ad, crossword puzzle, weather forecast), and ask your youngster to find and circle each one. He'll build research skills as he looks through the pages.

ABC order

Together, find the names

Of 5-10 countries, states, and cities in headlines or stories. Let your child copy each one onto an index card and arrange the cards in alphabetical order. This will help him practice spelling and learn about geography.

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Mrs. Weaver's Book Pics

Cloudy With a Chance of  
Meatballs  
Charlotte's Web  
Pinkalicious  
No One Saw  
Abuelita Full of Life  
The Very Hungry  
Caterpillar

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