**Book Bag Contract**

Dear Parents or Guardians,

 Reading is one of the most important things your child will ever learn in school. It will be our major focus in first grade. We want your child to be the BEST reader he/she can be, and to enjoy the reading experience.

Each week your child will bring home a new bag with 3 books in it that are all centered around one theme to help them complete their homework. They will get to keep this bag at home for approximately a week and it is due back to the classroom on Friday with the homework. It is your child’s responsibility to bring the books back in the condition that he/she received them in. If a book is lost or damaged while in your care, you will be asked to pay for the book. You can help by providing a safe place at home for the book bag and reminding your child that when they are done reading the books they need to be immediately put back into the bag for safe keeping. I will be sharing important book care rules with your child. Please ask your child about these rules and reinforce them at home.

As soon as you sign and return the form at the bottom of this letter you child will be able to begin bringing home a book bag to complete the related assignments for the week. The bulk of your child’s homework this year will be based around reading nightly – there will be a reading log to record all books, AR Testing tickets to be able to take online quizzes at school to check for comprehension, and a Response to Literature journal writing assignment. If I don’t get this permission slip/contract back you will be responsible for providing your child with books for him/her to complete these assignments.

Sincerely,

Krista Sopfe

1st Grade Teacher

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 I accept the responsibility of care for and returning on time the books my child borrows for the classroom. I am aware that the replacement cost of a lost or damaged book is $4 and a lost or damaged book bag is $1.

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