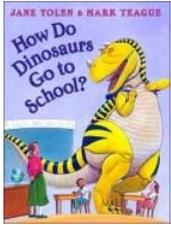


GOOD HOPE COUNTRY DAY SCHOOL SUMMER READING, 2019

First Grade

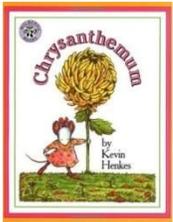
Each of the books listed below would be a delightful addition to your child's bookshelf. All of these books will be used in class in the first weeks of school. First graders are required to have at least three of the books listed in order participate in lessons, as well as have a feeling of familiarity at the beginning of the year. A wonderful source for more books is the American Library Association's Annual List of Notable books:

<http://www.ala.org/alsc/awardsgrants/notalists/ncb>.



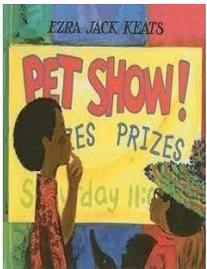
How Do Dinosaurs Go to School?, Mark Teague

In first grade we like to use this book to set best practices for the classroom. The funny illustrations, along with the "what-not-to-do" examples, make a memorable connection with our first graders.



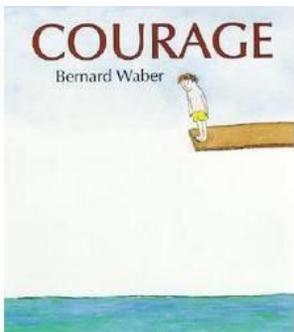
Chrysanthemum, Kevin Henkes

She was a perfect baby, and she had a perfect name, Chrysanthemum. She loved her name. And then she started school. "I'm named after my grandmother," said Victoria. "You're named after a **flower**"...and Chrysanthemum wilted. Find out what Chrysanthemum discovers about having a special name.



Pet Show, Ezra Jack Keats

Archie wants to enter his cat in the neighborhood pet show—but where is the cat? Archie keeps on looking even after all the other kids have given up, but his pet is nowhere to be found. Ingenious Archie has a plan to enter the contest—with a most surprising creature!



Courage, Bernard Waber

What is courage? Certainly it takes courage for a firefighter to rescue someone trapped in a burning building, but there are many other kinds of courage too. Everyday kinds that normal, ordinary people exhibit all the time, like "being the first to make up after an argument," or "going to bed

without a nightlight." Bernard Waber explores the many varied kinds of courage and celebrates the moments, big and small, that bring out the hero in each of us.

Ish by Peter H. Reynolds

Ramon loved to draw. Anytime. Anything. Anywhere.

Drawing is what Ramon does. It's what makes him happy. But in one split second, all that changes. A single reckless remark by Ramon's older brother, Leon, turns Ramon's carefree sketches into joyless struggles. Luckily for Ramon, though, his little sister, Marisol, sees the world differently. She opens his eyes to something a lot more valuable than getting things just "right." Combining the spareness of fable with the potency of parable, Peter Reynolds shines a bright beam of light on the need to kindle and tend our creative flames with care.

Families by Shelley Rotner and Sheila M. Kelly

Celebrate diversity with a picture book for very young children about the many faces of contemporary families. Big or small, similar or different-looking, there are all kinds of families. Some have one parent, some have two, and many include extended family. An inclusive look at many varieties of families.

The Jelly Donut Difference: Sharing Kindness with the World by Maria Dismondy

Leah and Dexter are brother and sister. They don't always get along. In fact, there are times they can be downright mean to each other. The ooey, gooey jelly donuts in this story are a testament to the power of kindness, caring and generosity. Find out if Leah and Dexter will ever learn to get along! Bite into the power of paying it forward.