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Mission Statement

The mission of the Plainview-Old Bethpage Central School District is to provide an academically challenging and stimulating environment for all students, and to enable them to realize their full potential to be happy, ethical and analytical citizens of the world.

We do this by:

making tolerance, acceptance, respect, honesty and kindness expectations for all students, and for members of the Plainview-Old Bethpage school community;

identifying each student's academic, social-emotional, aesthetic and physical needs, and striving to meet those needs; and

encouraging communication between and among students, teachers, parents, administrators, and community members.

Plainview-Old Bethpage CSD



Kindergarten

Recommended Reading For Kindergarteners

Picture Books

Old Black Fly

Jim Aylesworth

Rhyming text and illustrations follow a mischievous old black fly through the alphabet as he has a very busy bad day landing where he should not be.

I Ain't Gonna Paint No More

Karen Beaumont

In the rhythm of a familiar folk song, a child cannot resist adding one more dab of paint in surprising places.

Not Norman: a goldfish story

Kelly Bennett

As a boy attempts to convince someone else to take his disappointing pet, he learns to love Norman the goldfish himself.

Big Red Barn

Margaret Wise Brown

Rhymed text and illustrations introduce the many different animals that live in the big red barn.

Good Night Moon

Margaret Wise Brown

A young bunny tries to stave off sleep by bidding goodnight to every item he can think of leading himself (and readers!) to a quiet sense of peace.

Mike Mulligan and His Steam Shovel

Virginia Lee Burton

When Mike Mulligan and his steam shovel, Mary Ann, lose their jobs to gasoline, electric, and diesel motor shovels, they go to a little country town where they find that one new job leads to another.

Aikko, Miss Lice and the Dance Class: the sound of Short A Cecilia Minden

Simple text, featuring the short A, describes Akiko's tap dance class with Miss Alice.

Word Bird Makes Words with Dog

Jane Moncure

Word Bird and his friend Dog make up a variety of words, and each new word leads them into a new activity.

-Ow as in Cow:[see it, say it, hear it, read it!]

Amanda Rondeau

Introduces, in brief text and illustrations, the use of the letter combination "ow" in such words as "cow," "meow," "eyebrow," and "plow."

The Cabin: The sound of C

Cynthia Klingel

Simple text and repetition of the letter "c" helps readers learn how to use this sound.

Phonics

The Bug in the Jug Wants a Hug: a short vowel sounds book

Brian Cleary

Wacky sentences and colorful art present the phonics of a short vowel sounds.

Hiro, Dragon Warrior: battle at Mount Kamado

Bobbi Weiss

In a story told in graphic novel format, Hiro continues his quest from Master Fu to recover another long-lost Power Jade from evil Master Gomi.

Here Comes Silent E!

Anna Hays

Silent e, a quiet, unassuming young boy, magically changes objects where he goes, such as making a little bit of cake a bite of cake, turning a kit into a kite.

The Pup Speaks Up: A Phonics Reader

Anna Hays

After Bo and Pal, his silent new puppy, go for a walk and hear the various sounds of animals and objects around them, Pal finally speaks up.



The Very Hungry Caterpillar

Eric Carle

The beginning reader may watch a hungry caterpillar eat his way to the cocoon stage, when he hibernates for two weeks to emerge as a beautiful butterfly.

Stellaluna

Janell Cannon

After she falls headfirst into a bird's nest, a baby bat is raised like a bird until she is reunited with her mother.

Freight Train

Donald Crews

Brief text and illustrations trace the journey of a colorful train as it goes through tunnels, by cities, and over trestles.

Click Clack Splish Splash: A Counting Adventure

Doreen Cronin

While Farmer Brown sleeps, some of the animals who live on the farm go on a fishing expedition.

Louise, the Adventures of a Chicken

Kate DiCamillo

Longing for adventure, intrepid Louise leaves her comfortable nest and goes to sea.

Gossie

Olivier Dunrea

Gossie is a gosling who likes to wear bright red boots every day, no matter what she is doing, and so she is heartbroken the day the boots are missing and she can't find them anywhere.

Olivia

Ian Falconer

Whether at home getting ready for the day, enjoying the beach, or at bedtime, Olivia is a feisty pig who has too much energy for her own good.

Bark, George
Jules Feiffer

George is a puppy who does not sound like a puppy should, despite the efforts of his mother.

Corduroy
Don Freeman

A toy bear in a department store wants a number of things, but when a little girl finally buys him he finds what he has always wanted most of all.

Bread and Jam for Frances
Russell Hoban

Frances decides she likes to eat only bread and jam at every meal--until to her surprise--her parents grant her wish.

Harold and the Purple Crayon
Crockett Johnson

Harold created many fantastic adventures with his purple crayon.

The Carrot Seed
Ruth Krauss

Despite everyone's dire predictions, a little boy has faith in the carrot seed he plants.

The Story of Ferdinand
Munro Leaf

Ferdinand, the bull, likes to sit quietly and smell the flowers, but one day he gets stung by a bee and his snorting and stomping convince everyone that he is the fiercest of bulls.

Pete the Cat: I Love My White Shoes
Eric Litwin

Pete the cat gets into colorful adventures while out walking in his new white shoes.

So Many Houses
Hester Bass

In rhyming text, describes the many types of houses that can be found around the world, focusing on the materials used to build them.

What Do I Look Like?
Mary Schulte

A young girl finds that she looks like everyone in her family, but mostly like herself.

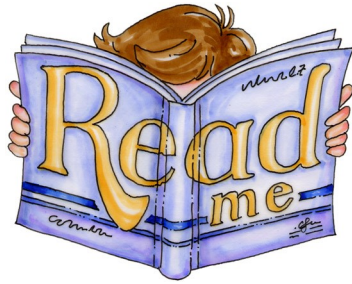
Messy Bessey's School Desk
Pat McKissack

When Messy Bessey starts to clean up her desk at school, she inspires the rest of the class to clean up the entire room

Crab Cab
Harriet Ziefert

Humorous illustrations and die-cut pages introduce short vowel sounds, consonant blends, and word families in this flip-a-word book.





Easy Readers

Mouse's Hide-and-Seek Words: A Phonics Reader

Kathryn Heling

By dropping the first letter of a variety of words, Mouse makes several new rhyming words.

My Favorite Letters

Deborah Reber

Blue learns to spell her name and finds other words that begin with her favorite letters: B, L, U, and E. Features rebuses.

Little Sister, Big Mess!

Jane Gerver

A Boy and his little sister make cookies together, in this story told using opposites.

The Frog in the Pond

Wil Mara

When a boy finds a frog down by the pond, he catches it and puts it in a cage, but the frog does not enjoy captivity, in this story told using opposites.

Look for Ladybugs

Dana Rau

Simple, rhyming text about a ladybug search teaches about prepositional phrases.

Brown Bear, Brown Bear, What Do You See?

Bill Martin

Children see a variety of animals, each one a different color, and a teacher looking at them.

I Stink!

Kate McMullan

A big city garbage truck makes its rounds, consuming everything from apple cores and banana peels to left over ziti with zucchini.

Martha Speaks

Susan Meddaugh

When Helen Finney feeds alphabet soup to Martha, her dog, Martha begins to speak, jabbering throughout Helen's favorite television programs and asking embarrassing questions.

If You Give A Mouse A Cookie

Laura Numeroff

Relating the cycle of requests a mouse is likely to make after you give him a cookie takes the reader through a young boy's day.

Good Night Gorilla

Peggy Rathmann

An unobservant zookeeper is followed home by all the animals he thinks he has left behind in the zoo.

Curious George

Margret Rey

The adventures of the ingenious little monkey who left the jungle to live with the man in the yellow hat.



Where the Wild Things Are

Maurice Sendak

Max sails to the land of the wild things, where he becomes their king.



Horton Hears A Who!

Dr. Seuss

A city of Whos on a speck of dust are threatened with destruction until the smallest Who of all helps convince Horton's friends that Whos really exist.

Duck on a Bike

David Shannon

A duck decides to ride a bike and soon influences all the other animals on the farm to ride bikes too.

Sheep in a Jeep

Nancy Shaw

Records the misadventures of a group of sheep that go riding in a jeep.

Come Along, Daisy!

Jane Simmons

Daisy the duckling becomes so engrossed in playing with dragonflies and lily pads that she temporarily loses her mother.

Mouse Paint

Ellen Walsh

Three white mice discover jars of red, blue, and yellow paint and explore the world of color.

Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus!

Mo Willems

When the bus driver decides to take a break from driving, a wild and wacky pigeon pleads and begs to take his place, capturing the antics of a preschooler's temper tantrum.

Knuffle Bunny Free: an unexpected diversion

Mo Willems

While traveling with their family to Holland to visit her grandparents, Trixie once again loses her beloved Knuffle Bunny.

Chester

Melanie Watt

As the author/illustrator attempts to create a picture book about a mouse in a house, her rotund feline Chester sends the mouse packing and attempts to rewrite the story with his handy red marker.

Cat the Cat Who is that?

Mo Willems

An exuberant cat introduces readers to her friends.

