The Books Challenge

Dear Parents,

Welcome to the Tower of Books Challenge, an independent reading challenge for your child! Here's how it works:

Your child has chosen either a 20, 30, or 40 book challenge checklist to complete over the course of the school year. The goal is to read all of the books from the categories listed on their list. They will check off one of the boxes each time a book is read. After checking off a box, it's time for them to add to... the Tower of Books! In the classroom, we are making giant stacks of books on the wall to track their progress. They also have a small copy in their homework folder to keep track on their own.

Students are expected to be honest and keep track of their own reading. They should also be reading "good fit" books based on their reading ability. They should find some challenging words on any given page, but no more than five. If students are unsure about the genre of a book or whether it is a "good fit" for them, please get them to check with me for approval. Students will also be expected to complete small accountability activities, every five books, to show that they have read and understood each book.

If students complete their Tower by the end of the year, they will earn a special certificate of completion. I will also allow students to choose a prize for every 10 books they complete. Any extra encouragement from home is greatly appreciated.

My goal is that your child will get to try some different types of books they may not have read before, and all the while, have fun keeping track of their reading! Happy stacking!

Sincerely,

Mrs Hodgson