



# Be a Guardian Pirate of Treasure!

## Calvary's First Grade Reading Program

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Dear First Grade Parents,

Learning to read is a thrilling experience! You can motivate your children by reading with them and encouraging them to practice reading many different kinds of books. This is without a doubt a memorable and important experience for both parent and child.

With these thoughts in mind, I am very happy to introduce our *Guardian Pirate's of Treasure Reading Program*, an at-home reading program for your child. The goal of this program is to encourage children to read a variety of titles, authors, and genres (types of books) with their parents. The *Guardian Pirate's of Treasure Reading Program* should also help your child develop a habit to go to the library when a new book is needed. You may do all the reading until your child is ready to read on his or her own.

Reading logs will be provided by the library and will be kept at home (the refrigerator is a great spot) and updated by the parents. A Level One reading log has been attached so that you or your child can get started right away. Once the goal of required books has been met, return the log to the librarian for a reward: a *Guardian Pirate's of Treasure Reader* tag and prizes! A new sheet will be sent home with your child. Only one level may be submitted per week! If you should misplace a level sheet they may be downloaded from the Calvary library page.

As your child progresses through each of the ten reading levels, a *Pirate Reader* tag will be placed on a chain which will be worn by your child during library time. When a child reaches Level 10, a pirate t-shirt will be awarded, and your child's name will be displayed on the bulletin board outside the library. All children who reach level 10 will be treated to an ice cream sundae party in May.

I hope your child will be thrilled to participate in this fun and educational program. Remember to ask your children about their *Guardian Pirate's of Treasure Reader* chains! I sincerely hope that you will enjoy this valuable experience with your child. If you have any questions, please call me.

Sincerely,  
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