FALL BOOKLIST

The first few years set the stage for a child’s life. Children who are read to more often have improved language skills, experience stronger emotional connections to their loved ones, and gain a lifelong love of reading.

Just as there’s no one type of child, there should not be one type of book. Books, like mirrors, reflect what we observe and know about the world. It’s powerful to read or listen to a story about someone like you. Books also allow us to view and understand lives that are different from our own, like a window onto other experiences.

These books tell a wide range of stories — enjoy exploring diverse people and worlds.

BIRTH TO 12 MONTHS

*Baby’s Feelings: A First Book of Emotions* by Little Hippo  
*I Already Love You* by Willa Perlman  
*I Want to Be...a Teacher* by Becky Davies  
*Spot Looks at the Weather* by Eric Hill

BOARD BOOKS / 1-3 YEARS

*First Feelings Series* by Child’s Play  
*Help Wanted, Must Love Books* by Janet Sumner Johnson  
*I Am a Tree / Yo soy un árbol* by Elodie Pope  
*What I Like About Me!: A Book Celebrating Differences* by Allia Zobel Nolan  
*What Will Fit?* by Grace Lin  
*Y is for Yum, Yum, Yum! / Mmm...¡Qué rico!* by Anna W. Bardaus  
*Your Special Voice* by Temi Adamolekun

PICTURE BOOKS / 3-5 YEARS

>All Are Welcome* by Alexandra Penfold & Suzanne Kaufman  
*The Golden Acorn* by Katy Hudson  
*Help Wanted, Must Love Books* by Janet Sumner Johnson  
*Little Night/Nochecita* by Yuyi Morales  
*Lola Goes to School* by Anna McQuinn  
*One by One / Una a una* by Blythe Lynden  
*Ready to Catch* Series by Adam Wallace & Andy Elkerton

TIPS FOR READING ALoud

- Make reading part of every day.  
- Cuddle close with your child as you read.  
- Talk about the pictures.  
- Let your child turn the pages.  
- Run your finger along the words as you read them.  
- Silly sounds, especially animal sounds, are fun to make.  
- Create voices for the characters.  
- Ask questions: What do you think will happen next? What is this?  
- Let your child retell the story.  
- Ask your child choose which books you read—even if it’s the same book, over and over.