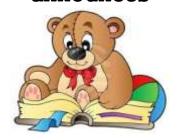# The Guilford Free Library
announces

1,000 Books Before Kindergarten

Our new **1,000 Books Before Kindergarten** program helps Guilford residents prepare their children to be ready to read by the time they enter kindergarten!

"The single most important activity for building the knowledge required for eventual success in reading is reading aloud to children. This is especially so during the preschool years." (From *Becoming a Nation of Readers*)

Start Now!
Sign up your preschool child at the library and receive your notebook, starting information, and the pages to track the first 100 books.

After you finish your first 100 books, bring your notebook to the library and put a teddy bear on our bulletin board. Get your next "100 titles" page and your special blue book tote.

Your child will receive a congratulatory sticker each time you finish a 100 book level. When 1000 books are reached, your child's picture will be displayed and a certificate will be awarded. All 1000 level participants will be honored at a special program.

How Can I Read 1000 Books?
It's Easy
3 books a day for 1 year = 1095 books
1 book a day for 3 years = 1095 books
10 books a week for 2 years = 1040 books

You Can
Read the same book over and over.
Read in any language.
Count books heard at library story times.

Call Angelina or Peggy in the children's department, 203-453-8282 for further information
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