Resource: Reading on the go! with Mrs. Osantowski

As a parent it can be a daunting task to help your child become a fluent reader. Below are some simple ways to do that on the go!

Phonemic Awareness

If you hear your child's teacher say that they need to work on their "phonemic awareness", you may think "but I have no idea what goes into that!".

Phonemic awareness is the ability to identify and manipulate sounds in spoken word, and can be a good indicator of reading ability.

Click <u>here</u> to find 5 easy things you can do while in the car to help your child build their phonemic awareness.

Fluency

Fluency is the ability read with speed, accuracy, and proper expression. Helping your child may seem like a big task that will take an even bigger chunk of your time. If you can carve out 10-15 minutes each night to read with your child you will start to see an improvement. There are several other things you can do to help your child become a fluent reader:

- 1. Have your child record themselves reading a story so you can listen to it over your lunch break.
- 2. Ask them to read the grocery list to you when you go to the store.
- 3. Listen to audiobooks while in the car.
- Remember reading is reading. It doesn't matter if they are reading a book, cereal box, letter, or comic book as long as they are consistently reading.

For more ideas, check out this <u>website</u> on how to help your child improve their fluency while reading.