# **7 Habits Parent Resources**

Westwood Elementary School is proud to be a Leader in Me school, but what does that mean? Have you ever heard of the *7 Habits of Highly Effective People* by Stephen Covey? The Leader in Me is the process of taking those habits and integrating them into the school culture to support the students in becoming confident, responsible, self-disciplined people.

Parents are vitally important in the Leader in Me process. We invite families to learn about and incorporate the Habits at home as well, so we can all speak the same language and successfully incorporate these great concepts! Our hope is by creating a common language and expectation both at school and home, each child will have greater understanding of what these habits are and how they apply to their lives.

A great place for resources that parents and families can utilize is the **Leader in Me** website. In addition, we have provided a list of books below that reinforce each of the 7 Habits.

## **Parent Reading**

The Leader in Me by Stephen R. Covey
The 7 Habits of Highly Effective Teens by Sean Covey
The 7 Habits of Highly Effective People by Stephen R. Covey
Living the 7 Habits by Stephen R. Covey
The 7 Habits of Highly Effective Families by Stephen R. Covey

## **Family Reading**

The 7 Habits of Happy Kids by Stephen R. Covey

# Books for Kindergarten, 1st, & 2nd

#### **Habits**

Bernstein Bears & the Bad Habit by Stan and Jan Bernstein

Bernstein Bears & Too Much Teasing by Stan and Jan Bernstein

Bread & Jam for Francis by Russell Hoban DW, the Picky Eater by Marc Brown Sam Who Never Forgets by Eve Rice

### **Paradigms**

Frederick by Leo Lionni
Ira Sleeps Over by Bernard Waber
Smoky Night by Eve Bunting
Strega Nona by Tomie de Paola

#### **Habit 1: Be Proactive**

Amazing Grace by Mary Hoffman King Bidgood's in the Bathtub by Audrey Wood

The Carrot Seed by Ruth Krauss
The Little Engine That Could by Watty Piper
The Very Lonely Firefly by Eric Carle

#### **Habit 2: Begin With the End in Mind**

Click, Clack, Cows that Moo by Doreen Cronin

Galimoto by Karen Lynn Williams Pancakes, Pancakes by Eric Carle The Very Busy Spider by Eric Carle Whistle for Willie by Ezra Jack Keats

#### **Habit 3: Put First Things First**

Alejandro's Gift by Richard E. Albert Froggy Gets Dressed by Jonathan London Jamaica's Find by Juanita Havill The Little Red Hen by Paul Galdone The Very Hungry Caterpillar by Eric Carle

#### **Habit 4: Think Win-Win**

Alexander and the Wind-Up Mouse by Leo Lionni

Let's Be Enemies by Janice May Udry
The Doorbell Rang by Pat Hutchins
The Rainbow Fish by Marcus Pfister
The Very Clumsy Click Beetle by Eric Carle

### Habit 5: Seek First to Understand, Then to Be Understood

Are You My Mother? by PD Eastman
Is Your Mama a Llama? by Deborah Guarino
Stellaluna by Janell Cannon
The Runaway Bunny by Margaret Wise
Brown

The True Story of the Three Little Pigs by Jon Scieszka

#### **Habit 6: Synergize**

A Chair for My Mother by Vera B. Williams Clifford's Spring Clean-Up by Norman Bridwell

How the 2nd Grade Got \$8205.50 to Visit the Statue of Liberty by Nathan Zimelman Ox-Cart Man by Donald Hall Swimmy by Leo Lionni

#### Habit 7: Sharpen the Saw

Don't Let the Pigeon Stay Up Late! by Mo Willems

Henry Hikes to Fitchburg by d. B. Johnson Me I Am! by Jack Prelutsky Owl Moon by Jane Yolen

The Snowy Day by Ezra Jack Keats

# Books for 3rd, 4th, & 5th

#### **Habit 1: Be Proactive**

*Jeremy Thatcher, Dragon Hatcher* by Bruce Coville

On My Honor by Marion Bauer
Salt in His Shoes, Michael Jordan: In Pursuit
of a Dream by Deloris Jordan
Someday a Tree by Eve Bunting
The Real McCoy: The Life of an AfricanAmerican Inventor by Wendy Towle

#### **Habit 2: Begin With the End in Mind**

Bobby Baseball by Robert Kimmel Smith Eddie, the Incorporated by Phyllis Naylor Lucy Mastermind by Alan Feldman The School Story by Andrew Clements Where Do You Think You're Going, Christopher Columbus? by Jean Fritz

### **Habit 3: Put First Things First**

Esperanza Rising by Pam Munoz Ryan
Irving Black's Strange Snack by Roz
Rosenbluth
Justin & the Best Biscuits in the World by
Mildred Pitts Walter
The TV Kid by Betsy Byars
The Week Mom Unplugged the TVs by Terry
Wolfe Phelan

#### **Habit 4: Think Win-Win**

Dragon Stew by Tom McGowen
Hiawatha, Messenger of Peace by Dennis
Brindell Fradin
Law of the Great Peace by John Bierhart
The Butter Battle Book by Dr. Seuss
The Checker Players by Alan Venable

## Habit 5: Seek First to Understand, Then to Be Understood

 ${\it Marrying\ Malcolm\ Murgatroyd}\ {\it by\ Mame}$  Farrell

Rules by Cynthia Lord
The Bully of Barkham Street by Leonard
Shortall

Veronica Knows Best by Nancy Robinson Witch of Blackbird Pond by Elizabeth George Speare

#### **Habit 6: Synergize**

A Wrinkle in Time by Madeline L'engle Chicken Sunday by Patricia Polacco Ruby Holler by Sharon Creech The Chalk Box Kid by Clyde Robert Bulla The View from Saturday by E.L. Konigsburg

### Habit 7: Sharpen the Saw

A Light in the Attic by Shel Silverstein The Mysteries of Harris Burdick by Chris Van Allsburg

The New Kid on the Block by Jack Prelutsky Uncle Willie and the Soup Kitchen by Dyanne Disalvo Ryan

Wind in the Long Grass: A Collection of Haiku edited by William Higginson