



March 9, 2017

Dear Kyla's Family,

Kyla recently took a test that shows she is on a 4.8 reading level. The expected level for this time of year is 5.6. If she works hard over the next few weeks she can really improve her reading before the Georgia Milestones test when it is given in April. Doing well on the Georgia Milestones Test is important for getting the best opportunities in middle school – and because students need it to graduate from high school. More importantly reading is a lifelong skill that can be used for everything from getting a driver's license, to graduating college, to filling out a job application.

In order to increase Kyla's reading we are going to give her additional help at school. We have arranged for some small groups of students where we are going to give math help and read books that help build reading ability and thinking skills. Last week Kyla chose a book to read at home. By having a choice in the book I am hoping that she spends time reading it and really participating in her small reading group at school.

You can help Kyla do better on the next test by asking her about the book she is reading and encouraging her to read at home. As I said, she clearly has the ability to show real improvement on the test and you should be proud of her for this. Also, Kyla has missed 4 days of school so far. Please make sure she gets extra help every day by not missing any days going forward because being in school is the best way for us to give her extra help! If you have any questions or want to talk about how Kyla is doing in school, please feel free to call me. Thank you for your support!

Sincerely,

Dr. Kristen Vaughn
Principal