**What is Book Club?**

Every child in our 1st grade goes to Book Club on a daily basis. Some students remain with their classroom teacher, while others might move to another classroom for this 2 hour block. Classes are mixed ability groupings and the goal is to provide differentiated guided reading opportunities to all students. While doing this, the goal is to ensure each student has classmates that read at the same level they do so they have a group to read with. When a child does not have this group, they may be moved to another class to ensure they have like ability peers to work with and feel successful (and still challenged) at whatever reading level they are on.

**For example**: If one class has a student who is reading on a level 8 by alone, the student might fit better in another class that has a group of 3 other students reading at this level.

During the two hour session, students work on reading and writing indicators provided by MCPS. Club classes are reduced in size to ensure each child’s needs are met. Opportunities for differentiation are present to reinforce and challenge students based on their level. Book