Dear Parents,

If a student does not read well, he/she will not learn as much in class, will struggle with homework, and do poorly on tests, since tests are designed to measure what students earned in class and on assignments. Students who do well in school also do well on tests. When parents and the school work as a team, students will do much better.

Try some of these suggested ways I found to build your child's/children's reading skills at home.

- Control the TV set. Make sure your child/children are reading daily. Therefore set a time limit to TV watching and decide what your child/children will watch in advance.
- Have your child/children see you as a parent reading. If you are seen reading, then your child/children will think it is important and maybe become more interested in reading.
- Reading for meaning is important. Read something with your child/children. Then ask each other a question such as what is the main idea, why was it written, what did you learn, or did something surprise you. Children who read well understand what they read will learn more in school.

I will be in my room Monday, May 5 2014, from 6:15 until 6:45 PM. If you have any concerns or suggestions as to how I may better serve your child more productively, please come to see me. (This is also PTT night.) I can also be reached by phone during the school day if that is more convenient.

Also remember there are suggestive Web Sites listed under Clover Garden School Title I.

Thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely, Donna Johnson