# Sight Words

# What are they?

- High Frequency Words- words that occur the most often in printed text
- Irregular Words- Words that do not follow phonics "rules" and, therefore, are not easily decodable

## **Sight Word Importance**

As students are learning to read, a lot of brain power is used to decode words. Having to decode EVERY word in text causes exhaustion and frustration. Mastery of sight words allows the brain to focus on decoding only a portion of words, increasing fluency and comprehension.

# Sightwordtools.com

This online program allows your child to practice unknown words on a computer, iPhone, or iPad in just a few minutes each evening! Go to the list and set assigned by your child's teacher.

#### **Sight Word Facts**

- The words in Lists A.1-A.2 make up over 50% of printed text.
- The words in all lists (A.1-C) make up over 65% of printed text.

## Sight Word Fluency Builder

This rapid recognition chart offers a fun and interactive way for parents to help students learn the needed sight words. Look for this activity in your child's backpack OR print it from any lesson!

## **Sight Word Incentives**

Consider offering your child an incentive with each mastered *set* (4-6 words) and/or each mastered *list* (64-100 words).

