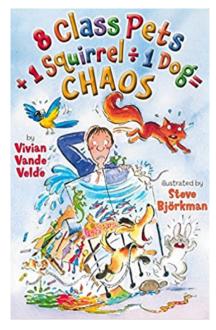
This year, The Episcopal Academy Lower School students will be participating in One School, One Read.

School pEAd

During the summer, we are asking that all students (Rising K through Rising Grade 5) read the same book and participate in a book extension activity. <u>8 Class Pets + I Squirrel + Dog = CHAOS</u> by Vivian Vande Velde is a classic page turning adventure.

A squirrel named Twitch has really gotten himself into trouble. While running away from a hungry owl he woke up the Principal's dog... and was chased into the school. He will need all the classroom pets to help him get out of the locked building. Read the book to see if he can escape!

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Please see the next page for further information and directions.

Instructions

The LS Community Unites Around Literacy

We are asking that each student (Rising K - Rising 5th Grade) create an II" by 17" poster based on <u>8 Class Pets + I Squirrel + Dog = CHAOS</u>. Students should bring in their posters on the first day of school. They will be displayed on the bulletin boards during the month of September. You will find some helpful poster guidelines on the following page. We encourage creativity. While our oldest students (Grades 3-5) can complete this assignment independently, our youngest students will likely need adult support. This poster assignment can engage and include the whole family.

Where/How To Get The Book

<u>8 Class Pets + | Squirrel + Dog = CHAOS</u> can be purchased on amazon.com or barnesandnoble.com. The book should also be widely available in libraries.

If you can't get a hold of a copy, there will be some extra copies in the EALS lobby for you to borrow. Please return when your child is finished reading it so others can borrow the book as well.

Ways To Read The Book

Depending on your child's age this book can be accessed in many ways. *Family Read Aloud (reading to your child)

*Family Book Club (reading specific chapters independently and come together

to discuss) *Independent Reading



Reminder: A book is "just right" for independent reading when no more than 3-4 errors occur per page, reading sounds "fluent" (like you are talking) and key information is understood and easily retold to someone else.



To complete this poster, you will need an II'' by 17''piece of cardstock or construction paper. You may also need art supplies (such as crayons, paint, markers, stickers, etc.) Feel free to use whatever materials you wish to complete your poster. **Directions**

Create an original poster that reflects any of the following...

*A reaction to the book

*A reflection of your own experiences in nature

- *A description/illustration of what family means to you
 - *A connection you made with a character

*Your own creative idea

You May Also Want to Include...

*A picture of you and your family reading the book together *Artifacts or objects that relate to the story (that can be attached to poster) *Additional illustrations or drawings