

# Fun with New Words

Dear Family,

During the week of \_\_\_\_\_, your child will be learning to use the words listed below. We are learning to use these words when we talk. This will help your child become a better reader.

This week please try to use these words as often as you can. You may wish to do the activities, too, so your child can get extra practice with the words. Have fun using these words!

Teacher \_\_\_\_\_

## commotion

A commotion is a lot of noise and people moving around.

*Ask your child to describe the commotion created by the parade in the story And to Think That We Thought That We'd Never Be Friends.*

## protest

When you protest something, you make a show of saying that you are against it.

*Have your child tell you about something he or she would like to protest. Help your child make a plan for how he or she can protest this thing.*

## fret

When you fret about something, you look and act as if you are worried about it.

*Talk to your child about something that makes him or her fret.*

## conflict

When two people or two sides have a conflict, they can't agree about something and have a big argument.

*Discuss with your child a recent conflict he or she has had with someone else and how they resolved this conflict.*

## soothe

When you soothe someone who is angry or upset, you calm them down.

*Invite your child to tell you about a time when he or she soothed someone else.*

## harmony

Harmony is created when different sounds come together to create beautiful music.

*Point out the harmony in a song you and your child are listening to together.*

Go to <http://www.elementsofreading.com/parentplace> for fun, educational activities that you can do at home with your child.