Fun books we can read together:

- Wonder Books Baseball by Cynthia Klingel
- The Baseball Book by Joe Kaufman
- T-ball Is Our Game by Leila Boyle Gemme
- Baseball Mania by Ed & Ruth Radlauer
- Play Fair by Kelly Doudna
- Specs by Mitchell Motomora
- Play Ball, Kate! by Sharon Gordon
- Players In Pigtails by Shana Corey
- Catching the Moon by Crystal Hubbard
- The Legend of the Curse of the Bambino by Dan Shaughnessy
- Arnold Plays Baseball by Pat Whitehead
- My Baseball Book by Gail Gibbons
- Baseball is our game by Joan Downing

What we did today:

Today, I really enjoyed listening to the Danville Dan players read a story. They showed me some of the equipment they use when they play ball. I learned many new words such as strike, pitcher, and catcher. They even signed their name in my book, that is called an autograph! I liked the taste of my popcorn. I liked choosing my favorite flavor. I drew a picture of where I would like to play ball. Maybe I would like to catch the ball or be the pitcher. I hope the Danville Dans win their game tonight!

How it helped me become a better reader & writer:

- When we talked about the equipment, I learned:
  - The names and uses for the gear
  - Lots of new words to describe how gear looked, felt and smelled
  - How different clothing can protect

- When we made a snack, I learned:
  - To follow directions
  - To “read” the recipe from left to right
  - To see the difference between letters and numbers

- When we read stories, I learned:
  - To listen to the sounds of the words and letters
  - To look closely at the pictures
  - To think about what would happen next in the story

- When we signed autographs, I practiced:
  - Holding the pencil
  - Writing my name and lots of other letters

Please check the Danville Public Library or the DELL-D Family Center for these books!
Let’s do more things together!
- Visit a soccer or football game. Ask your child to point out the gear, player numbers, etc.
- Don’t just watch the game- play a game together! It will help your child follow rules of a game.
- Use the take home activity to do something together.

Let’s read together!
- Find books about sports or baseball and read them with your child.
- Visit the library, and help your youngster get a library card as soon as they can.

Help me learn to learn my name.
- Ask your child the names and sounds of letters in his/her name.

Talk to me about the difference between print, pictures, letters and numbers.
- If a book says, “1 ball” point out the number “1” and the letters that make the word, “ball.”
- Point out the words that match the pictures in a page.
- Point to big letters in signs of familiar restaurants, grocery stores, and road signs.

Teach me new words, so I have more words to use every day.
- Encourage language by asking questions and listening to your child’s comments.

Take turns when talking so we can share about our day.
- Talk about what your child really enjoyed during the day.
- Ask your child simple questions, like “What did you like about the baseball game today?”

Show me how to have a conversation.
- Engage in conversation with your child. Listen to him or her, and share your own ideas.

Upcoming Events:

Keep an eye out for more information on these events:

September—Family Reading Night Event— A large back to school kick-off celebration with giveaways and prizes!

October— Harvest Fun

DELL-D at the Danville Public Library each week.