

March is Reading Month

Dear Parent,

The month of March is designated as National Reading Month. Even though at Murray Lake we make reading a focus the entire year, we would like to intensify this focus on reading throughout the month of March.

To promote at home reading (this includes: a child reading to you, a child reading alone, or you reading to a child) for the month of March, we have set weekly school wide goals for our students. We will track their progress on the bulletin board outside our media center. We have set our school wide, **weekly, at home reading goal at 500 hours**. If our students meet this weekly goal during March, they will be rewarded with the special activities below:

Week 1 (March 1-8): Students will earn an assembly with "The Conqueror"-Yago Williams

Week 2-(March 11-15): Students will earn an extra recess period, and one "no home work" night!

Week 3- (March 18-22): Students will earn a Spirit Week. Student Council will pick what the days will be and you will be notified next week. (*Spirit week will happen from March 25th-29th*)

Week 4- (March 25-28): Students will earn a Slushy Party.

Attached to this note are slips for you to fill out and return to us each week. Hard copies were also sent home with your child this week sometime. Each hour your child reads at home will be added to our school total (**Please send in signed forms each Thursday or Friday, so we can get a weekly count before the weekend**). Your child will also be able to fill out one AR ticket (the same ticket they fill out for 10 accumulated AR points) for each hour of at home reading they submit. These tickets will be added to our AR drawing tickets. On Thursday, March 29th, we will have a school wide assembly and draw for many prizes, including new bikes (**Thank you to our Family Links for donating all of our prizes!**)

We will also be participating in the West Michigan White Caps 2019 Reading Club. Students who read 450 minutes in March will receive one free ticket to Murray Lake Night at 5/3 Ball Park (date has yet to be determined).

The Conqueror-Yago Williams will be visiting on March 8th to help kick off March is Reading Month. The Conquerors are leaders in providing motivational, inspirational messages to students. He will promote that reading makes you strong!

There is **NO SUBSTITUTE** for reading. The more a child reads at home, the better a child does in school. Research has shown this time and time again. Please help us, and put forth an extra effort to promote reading throughout the month of March.

Happy Reading!

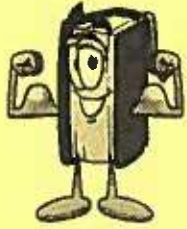
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	Reading Gives you POWER!!!!				1 9 am Secret Passage by Mrs. Burnett Dr. Seuss's Birthday!	2
3	4 Read a book by flashlight	5 School-wide DEAR (Drop Everything and Read) 2:25-2:40	6 Read a poem	7 Build a fort and read in it	8 9 am Secret Passage by Mrs. Burnett	9 If we meet our 500 hr goal=Author visit
10	11 Read a book about a sport/activity that interests you	12 Reading Buddies K-5	13 Wacky Wednesday Bring joke or riddle books today to share with your class.	14 Read a non-fiction book	15 9 am Secret Passage by Mrs. Burnett	16 If we meet our 500 hr goal=extra recess/no homework night
17	18 Read a fairy tale	19 First Day of Spring Read a book about spring	20 Read to a pet or stuffed animal	21 Read while wearing sunglasses	22 9am Secret Passage by Mrs. Burnett LHS baseball players come to read to students	23 If we meet our 500 hr goal=earn a Spirit Week
24	25 Record yourself reading a book or a section of a book-then watch it!	26 Reading Buddies K-5	27 Read a historical fiction book	28 Read a book to a family member	29 NO SCHOOL Spring Break!	30 If we meet our 500 hr goal=stusy party!!!



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Reading Minutes Recording Form for at home reading only

Send In by March 8

Student Name	
Teacher Name	
Hours Read (3/1-3/7)	
Student Signature	
Parent Signature (required)	

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Send In by March 15

Student Name	
Teacher Name	
Hours Read (3/8-3/14)	
Student Signature	
Parent Signature (required)	

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Send In by March 22

Student Name	
Teacher Name	
Hours Read (3/15-3/20)	
Student Signature	
Parent Signature (required)	

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Send In by March 28

Student Name	
Teacher Name	
Hours Read (3/21-3/28)	
Student Signature	