

FEBRUARY IS READING MONTH!

Dear Parents:

Reading Month begins on WEDNESDAY! We have lots of fun and exciting events planned for this February! We will not be reading a total number of books this year. Each student per grade will have a minute goal to reach by the end of the month, which will also help us reach a school goal of minutes to read! Please start reading and recording minutes on Sunday, February 3rd. The last day to turn in minute logs will be on Tuesday, March 1. Considering the shortness of the month, please see the goals below.



Grade Level Goals for Each Student:

Pre-K students—425 minutes (about 15 minutes/day)
Kindergarten—575 minutes (about 20 minutes/day)
1st Grade—675 minutes (about 23 minutes/day)
2nd grade—775 minutes (about 26 minutes/day)
3rd grade—875 minutes (about 30 minutes/day)
4th grade—975 minutes (about 33 minutes/day)
5th Grade—1500 minutes (about 51 minutes/day)



BUT DON'T STOP THERE!!!

Our School Goal is 100,000 minutes!!!

We must reach this goal in order to turn Mr. Rodia into an ICE CREAM SUNDAE. A new teacher will be added to the festivities for every 1000 minutes beyond that goal!

Each student will receive a white calendar sheet with a space for logging minutes each day. This is what you will need to turn in to your child's teacher on Thursdays each week!

Additionally, we are teaming up with **The 76ers Read for Ronald Program** again, which raises funds to support the Philadelphia Ronald McDonald House through partnerships with local middle and elementary schools. Students will be collecting pledges (in any amount) for meeting their minute goal all month long! Also, please visit the website (provided in the packet) and register under Chesterbrook Academy Elementary School WEST CHESTER to learn more and pledge online!

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE MONTH:

WEEK OF FEB. 1ST—5TH—ACTIVITIES

- Feb. 3rd--Kick Off Day during PRIDE Time—Start reading and logging minutes!!!
 - Feb. 3rd/4th/5th—Mystery Teacher Guests

WEEK OF FEB. 7TH—13TH—NO PRIDE TIME THIS WEEK

- Everyone will read from 8:45—9:00 A.M. We will also read from 3:30—3:45 P.M.
 - Mystery Teacher Guests on 2/8, 2/10, and 2/11

WEEK OF FEB. 14TH—20TH—BOOK BUDDY WEEK!

- Each class has been paired up with another class for at least 1 hour of Book Buddy activities and reading this week!
- Feb. 17th--if we are halfway to our school goal by this morning, Mr. Rodia will be "dying" his hair red during PRIDE time.

- Mystery Teacher Guests on 2/17, 2/18

WEEK OF FEB. 21st—27TH—D.E.A.R. WEEK

- Drop Everything And Read—times announced all throughout the school days!
 - Mystery Teacher Guests on 2/22, 2/24, and 2/25
- Wednesday—March 2nd—READ ACROSS AMERICA DAY/END OF READING CELEBRATION

Prizes & Awards:

1. All students who meet their monthly goal will be entered into a raffle to win a pair of Philadelphia 76ers tickets--3 winners will be chosen--2 tickets per winner!!!
2. Names of those students that reach their goal will be displayed in the front lobby!
3. All students who raise at least \$50 will be entered into a drawing to attend the Awards for Excellence Celebration at the Ronald McDonald House in March--3 students will be chosen!
4. All students who meet their monthly minute goal will be entered into a raffle to win a chance to turn the teachers into ice cream sundaes!
5. All students who meet their goal will be recognized with a certificate and Reading Month treat!

If you have any questions at all, please let me know! You can stop by my classroom or send an email any time.

Thanks so much & HAPPY READING!!

Miss Monteiro