Cedar Grove’s 2019 READ-A-THON

Dear CGES Families,

Welcome to our annual Read-a-Thon! We are very excited to host two weeks of reading, reading, reading!

This Read-a-Thon is strictly for FUN!! We all want our students to share a love of reading. We are challenging the whole school to read at least 15 minutes a day for 14 days.

To kick off our marvelous event, we are inviting all of our students (and staff) to dress as their favorite book character on Friday, March 1.

In addition, on Thursday, March 7, we will hold our read aloud night when Cedar Grove staff (both retired and current!) read to our students and families. We ask that you RSVP on the Sign Up Genius link that will be forthcoming through Mr. Derby and Mrs. German’s Friday Scoop.

The guiding rules for the Read-A-Thon are on the back of this letter. Shortly before the Read-a-Thon begins, each student will receive a Minutes Recording Calendar/Reading Log to keep track of minutes read daily. Please initial your child’s recorded time each day. When the reading period ends (March 14th), your child will tally the minutes read, and bring the Minute Recording Sheet to school by Monday, March 18th.

All students who return a completed, signed Minute Recording Sheet on or before Monday, March 18 will receive a prize and be entered into a book raffle drawing.

Thank you very much for your support,

Karina Hirschhorn
Your Media Specialist and avid reader!

“The more that you read, the more things you will know.
The more that you learn, the more places you’ll go.”    -Dr. Seuss
READ-A-THON Rules

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Start reading and recording your minutes on Friday, March 1\textsuperscript{nd}. Set a goal. Use your Minute Recording Calendar/Log to keep track of how many minutes you read each day.

READY -SET - GO!

1. Reading before school counts.
2. Reading before the official beginning of the READ-A-THON does not count.
3. Reading during class time does not count.
4. Being read to by other people does count.
5. Reading aloud to the dog, the cat or the goldfish (or any other pet) does count.
6. Reading in a train, with a fox, in the rain or on a box does count.
7. Reading aloud to other people counts. If you read to someone who is also participating in the READ-A-THON, it counts for both of you.
8. Reading under the covers, with a flashlight, late at night counts (but only if it’s okay with your parents).
9. Reading instead of watching TV or playing video games does count.
10. Reading assigned homework (including assigned books, chapters, etc...) does count.
11. Reading anything, in any language (even cereal boxes) does count.
12. Attending “Read Aloud Night” on March 7\textsuperscript{th} and being read to by CG staff counts for DOUBLE MINUTES!

No guessing or rounding off minutes. Please look at the clock or use a timer to clock your minutes. Please remember that CHARACTER COUNTS—Be honest with your minutes so that it will be fair and fun for everyone. Remember that your parents need to initial your minutes every day on your Minute Recording Sheet.

The last day to read for the READ-A-THON is March 14\textsuperscript{th}. No minutes will be counted after March 14\textsuperscript{th}.

Make sure you return your Minute Recording Sheet to school by Monday, March 18\textsuperscript{th}.