

Dalhousie School Read-a-Thon Fundraiser!!

Dear Parents and Guardians of Dalhousie School students,

We are excited to launch our first Read-a-thon Fundraiser in hope of creating fun memories for the students while promoting literacy, and also raising important funds to continue initiatives such as providing students with bussing for field trips, Raz kids & Matific licensing costs etc.

April 23rd: Dia Del Libro (World Book Day)

We are launching this read-a-thon in April to incorporate a popular Spanish celebration 'Dia Del Libro' (World Book Day) which originated in Spain and has over 100 countries participating. On this day, many activities related to reading, writing and author recognition are carried out in schools.

READ-A-THON INFORMATION:

- Each grade will have a developmentally appropriate Daily Reading Goal (in minutes) for their grade, which can be found on the top of their reading tracking sheet
- Start using your Reading Tracking sheet starting Monday April 14th, to keep track of how many times <u>outside of school</u> you reach your daily reading minutes goal
- Parents must sign reading tracking sheet to confirm accuracy (return forms Friday April 25th)
- Sign up family and friends to sponsor the student for either 1) flat amount, or 2) donation
 for each day the student reaches their daily reading goal and record on Pledge Sheet
- No guessing minutes, please look at clock / timer to ensure you reach your goal
- Students who read and return reading tracking sheet but do not raise money are still eligible for participation prizes and participation classroom pizza party
- Forms and collected pledges must be returned to the classroom teacher by Friday April 25th to be eligible for the prize draws. The Read-a-thon committee will collect forms and pledges from the teachers in order to calculate /draw the winners.
- Reading cards from The Educational Partnership Foundation (TEPF) will be handed out for students to take home as an option to read – or feel free to choose your favorite book
- Be on the lookout for other fun surprises from the TEPF foundation throughout the Read-a-thon for each student
- Thank you to McDonalds Sage Hill location for sponsoring 30 ice cream vouchers to be given at random to participating students during the Read-a-thon