

Vienna Elementary School – Read-A-Thon 2012

The 2012 Read-A-Thon will kick-off on *Monday, January 30th*.

Week	Reading Time	Turn in Forms
Read-A-Thon Week 1	Mon Jan 30 – Sun Feb 5	Mon Feb 6
Read-A-Thon Week 2	Mon Feb 6 – Sun Feb 12	Mon Feb 13
Read-A-Thon Week 3	Mon Feb 13 – Sun Feb 19	Tues Feb 21 (Monday is holiday)
Read-A-Thon Week 4	Mon Feb 20 – Sun Feb 26	Mon Feb 27
<i>Read Across America Day</i>		<i>Celebration Friday, March 2nd</i>

This year we will:

- Track reading minutes and record them on the VES Read-A-Thon Bookmarks (Out of school only)
- Encourage kids to read all types of media – if you're reading or being read to, it counts!
- Open the VES library from 8:00 – 8:30 am throughout the Read-A-Thon for kids to exchange books (Parents and students need to remain in the library until 8:25 or students can report to the café beginning at 8:15. Students in 4th- 6th grade may visit the library without a parent.)
- Track class progress weekly towards class reading goals on class posters
- Celebrate class success with class book plates and a class celebration on Read Across America Day
- Mystery Readers on NewsWave throughout the month
- Collect donations to be used for new library books with personalized VES Read-A-Thon book plates. This year, parents can contribute online at the VES PTA website and select specific books for their donation

Student Responsibilities:

1. Understand the class reading goal and work with the class to achieve it
2. Fill out minutes read each day on the VES Read-A-Thon bookmark
 - Use one bookmark per week at home and record any time you are reading or being read-to by someone else that is outside the standard class reading time in school
 - Every Sunday - Total up your reading-time and have your parent sign your bookmark
 - Double Credit: Participate in the Virginia Readers' Choice Program! Students that read at least five of the books qualify to vote for their favorite book at an ice cream party in April. (See VES PTA website for details)
 - **Every Monday**, turn in your bookmark to your teacher.
3. Have Fun!

How Parents Can Participate:

1. Read With Your Children - either reading to or alongside your child encourages a lifetime love of reading!
2. Verify the minutes recorded on the VES Read-A-Thon bookmark and sign
3. Donate to the VES Library - For the 2012 Read-A-Thon, all of the money raised will go directly to the VES library for new books which will be put into the library in the Fall. Families who donate will have 2012 Read-A-Thon Book Plates created and put into the books purchased with the money raised. There are two ways to donate this year:
 1. Fill out and detach the below form and send it back to the VES PTA. (Checks should be made to the VES PTA.)
 2. Go to the VES PTA website and donate online with the option to donate specific books to the library for the Fall library order.
4. If you have questions, please contact Robyn Nguyen at robyn@codiak.com or Lillian Huang at lillianwlau@yahoo.com.
5. Have Fun!

2012 Read-A-Thon Donations

Donation Amount: _____

Family or Student Name for Book Plate: _____