



The Annual Read-A-Thon is a fun, educational way for our students to use their love of reading to raise money for our school. It is our school's largest fundraiser, so please encourage your children to take part. Frankly, the kids love the competition.

- **READ!** Student reading outside of school counts. Read a book, magazine, newspaper, poems, riddles, jokes and more. Read instead of watching TV or playing video games. Read a book that inspired a movie or introduce the classics. Does it count if you read on a tablet or electronic device? Absolutely! How about a comic book? Sure! Enjoy cooking? Follow a recipe in a cookbook. Working on a book report? Track your reading. Read during family night – *remember only the student's minutes are tracked toward the Read-a-Thon. **Whatever and whenever you read, Please track the time carefully.*** **Character counts** - No guessing or rounding. Record the minutes read each day and total at the end of the week. Have fun and enjoy exploring where reading can take you..... **\*\*Parents: Please sign the slip after reviewing the total.\*\***

- Each student receives a **starter charm** simply for reading. Earn a book charm each week by reading **at least 20 minutes** each night. (Kindergarten 10 minutes/night). If your child isn't an independent reader,(s)he can still participate by reading with a parent up to 10 minutes/night and will be considered for prizes. ***Parents please note if your child is a pre-reader on the reading trackers.***

- There will be one **Star Reader** per week per class. The student who reads the most minutes will receive a **Star Charm**.
- Students who reach their grade's **Challenge Goal** will earn **Super Star** status and prizes! **Super Star Challenge Goals** are:



**Kindergarten: 15 min/night = 225 minutes total**  
**1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> grade: 25 min/night = 375 minutes total**  
**3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> grade: 30 min/night = 450 minutes total**  
**5<sup>th</sup> grade: 40 min/night = 600 minutes total**



- \*Top Reader Trophy** and a **surprise gift** goes to the student who **independently** reads the most minutes in the school.\*

- \* Top reader in each grade will receive a **mystery prize**.\*

- \*The class with the most reading minutes will be awarded the **top class trophy** to display in their classroom.\*  
How many classrooms will have 100% participation this year? Will we set new records?

**We have lots of prizes for reading and fundraising!**  
**Every \$50 collected earns an entry into a prize drawing for \$100!**

- Pledge Log: log pledges received from friends and family on the back of this sheet. Turn it in Monday, Jan 12<sup>th</sup> with your first reading total.
- Gather pledges by phone, email or in person. Please DO NOT go door to door without a parent/guardian, and then only go to people you know.
- Students will receive **10%** of their pledges in **book credits** for use at the Scholastic Book Fair in April. For example, if you raise \$50 in pledges, you receive \$5 in book credits. Credits will be issued after all pledge checks have cleared. Students will be informed of Book Credit totals in March. Any concerns or questions MUST be directed to Becky Bretzik ([beckyshoepto@gmail.com](mailto:beckyshoepto@gmail.com)) **before March 23rd**.
- \*Teachers receive 10% of their classroom pledges in Book Fair Credit for classroom books.
- At the end of the Read-A-Thon, pledge sheets will be returned the week of Feb. 3<sup>rd</sup> so you can collect pledge money. **Please send in one check payable to Shoemaker PTO by March 2, 2015 WITH STUDENT'S FULL NAME AND CLASSROOM # ON THE MEMO LINE.**



**Let's Shine as *READING SUPERSTARS!***



-----READING TRACKERS: Please record reading in MINUTES, total at the end of the week and have a PARENT SIGN the slip. Thank you.---

**Week #1-----return on Monday, January 12<sup>th</sup> along with the pledge sheet on back- (cut below for week 2)**

<b>Student:</b>			<b>room#:</b>	<b><i>Parent signature:</i></b>			
<b>Mon. Jan. 5<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Tues Jan.6<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Wed. Jan. 7<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Thurs. Jan. 8<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Fri. Jan. 9<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Sat. Jan. 10<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Sun. Jan. 11<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Total Minutes</b>
							__ Pre Reader

**Cut here to track reading for week #2 Jan. 12<sup>th</sup> to Jan. 19<sup>th</sup>-----Return on Tuesday, January 20<sup>th</sup>-----**

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