

TROY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL LIBRARY NEWSLETTER



APRIL 17
TES MPR
Dinner @
5:00PM
Bingo @
6:00 PM



LIBRARY CHALLENGE PROMOTES READING & HEALTHY HABITS

- Bingo sheets in library basket
- Complete activities for a bingo
- Prizes will be awarded

April 2026

T.A. Acts as a Crucial Partner in the Library

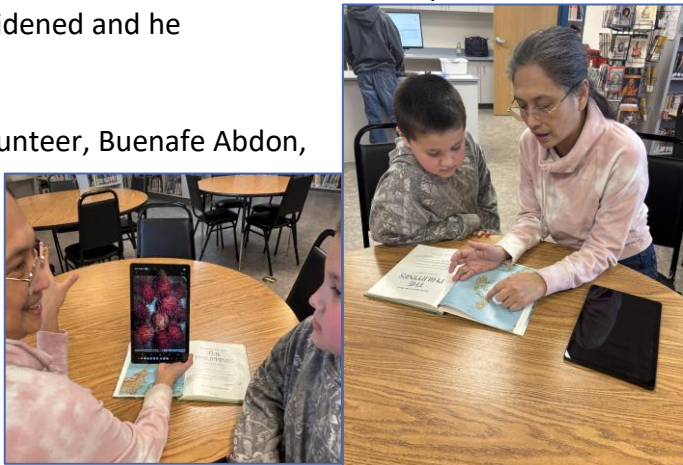
Every Monday, Wednesday and Friday, Wade Moser, THS Senior, provides support serving as a Teaching Assistant. Wade helps with cleaning, organizing, copying, etc. Having an extra set of hands to complete projects such as Mystery Bags, goes a long way in gaining time to create extra value-added activities for a productive and exciting environment!



Community Volunteer Shares Cultural Expertise of the Philippines

One of our 2nd grade students asked, "Do you have a book about the Philippines?" "Absolutely," I replied, and "not only do we have a book, we have a volunteer on Thursday's that is from the Philippines, and travels back and forth all of the time! Would you like to spend some time with her and learn more?" My heart melted as his big brown eyes widened and he responded, "SURE!"

Here Community Volunteer, Buenafe Abdon, shares her story and her culture of the Philippines. It was a heartwarming visit, and a pure joy for both of them!

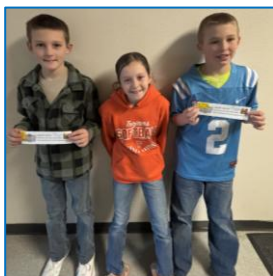


HEALTHY HABITS LIBRARY BINGO

Name: _____ Grade: _____

Directions: Complete the activities and color each square. 5 in a row (across, down, or diagonal) FOR A CHANCE TO WIN PRIZES!

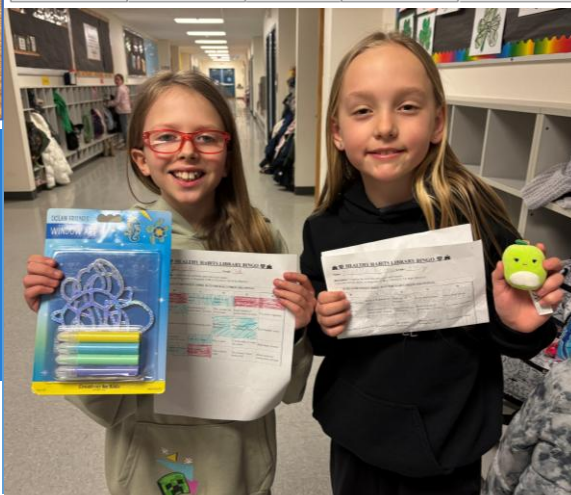
TURN IN BETWEEN APRIL 20-23 FOR DAILY PRIZE DRAWINGS				
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Eat a green vegetable	Drink 6-8 glasses of water	Walk for 20 minutes	Go to bed on time	Eat a fruit snack
Stretch for 10 minutes	Read instead of screen time (20 min)	Play outside for 30 minutes	Read instead of screen time (20 min)	Try a new vegetable
Ride a bike or scooter	Do 20 jumping jacks	Be Kind to Someone	Practice deep breathing (5 min)	Eat a healthy lunch
Read instead of screen time (20 min)	Dance to 3 songs	Play a sport	Choose milk or water (no soda)	Help clean at home
Say 3 positive things about yourself	Eat a healthy breakfast	Take a family walk	No screens 1 hour before bed	Read instead of screen time (20 min)



LIBRARY HELPER COUPON

"Thank you for your help today. Your assistance is much appreciated!"

Special thanks to these three 5th graders for offering to help in the library! A little appreciation goes a long way.



Nurturing a Love for Books

In the rare occasions when the library is slow, it's fun to invite students in to practice their reading skills! It's so much fun to see how their reading levels are rising, and *the more practice they get, the faster they advance!* There's only so much time in the day for a full curriculum of learning, and that's why **reading at home is so important!**

Students receive a coupon with the list of books they've read and they also receive a Golden ticket!

Today in the library _____ read with _____

_____ books were read.



Books Lovers R'Us

Students are encouraged to find books that have multiple copies of the same book. Reading with peers in pairs can improve reading enthusiasm, and often brings classmates closer together as well.

These two buddies left the library double handed with multiple copies of the same books, and the smiles on their faces show their library and classroom connection!



Home Away from Home

It's very important that all students know the one word that describes our library environment! This word is "fun," and it is shared often with our students. It is instilled in students that *in order for the library to be fun, it also needs to be a safe, respectful, and collaborative environment.* Therefore, students know that the expectation is to emphasize kindness, respect, and looking out for one another.

I was thrilled when I found two new books for our library collection: *Our School is a Family*, and *Our Classroom is a Family*. What a fun book to share with our students and center a library lesson around such great values that establish a positive environment!



Flying Squirrel Read 2 Jump Program

Students may pick up their Flying Squirrel reading log in the library, and must return it by April 10 to receive a FREE ticket to Moscow's indoor trampoline fun park!!

Special thanks to our Title I Program for organizing this event with Flying Squirrel



A Huge Thank You to Our Reading Heroes & Reading Challenge Participants

Dear Families:

As we wrap up our latest reading challenge, we want to extend a heartfelt thank you to all the parents, caregivers, and families who supported this journey. We know that life is busy. Between school, work and extracurriculars, finding time for books can sometimes feel like a challenge. Yet, because you prioritized reading, your students see reading as a valuable and enjoyable activity, rather than just a school task.

Seeing students proud of their reading logs and eager to tackle their next reading goal is the best gift our library could ask for.

Whether we have five student participants, or 50, we make a difference one student at a time. **Kudos to these students for taking the initiative to participate as well as the ownership of their own literacy journey.**

Here are a few of our dedicated readers that signed up, completed their logs, discovered new books on their own, and finally submitted the challenge. YOU make our library a brighter place!



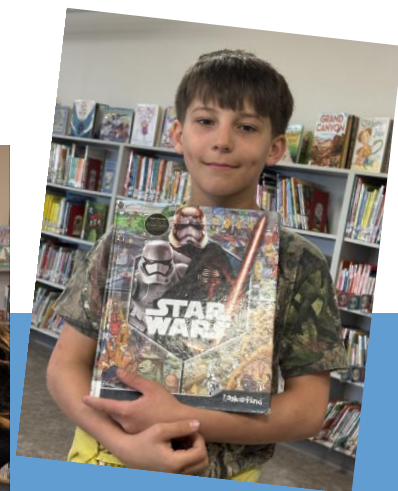
Celebrating the Joy of Reading at Troy Elementary!

Launched in 1998 by the National Education Association (NEA), Read Across America has grown into the nation's largest celebration of reading. While it began as a way to celebrate reading on Dr. Seuss's birthday, it has evolved into a year-round program that focuses on motivating children to read books that are about everyone, for everyone.

Our school loves participating in this event because it brings our community together, makes reading an adventure, and helps us build a culture where **literacy is visible, valued, and fun.**

Highlights from Our Celebration

This year, the library was buzzing with energy! Here are some of the ways we turned reading into an adventure:



These students crushed the one-minute fluency and comprehension challenge designed for 4th graders!