



Hello Parents,

It is time for Blythe Park's Annual Reading Week. Activities will be held next week November 14th-18th. This year's reading week will include three different reading related elements - Celebrity Readers, Reading Night and an all new program entitled "Parade of Readers". Although program begins Monday, November 14th, any reading completed this weekend can be counted toward the new "Parade of Readers" program outlined below.

Celebrity Readers

During Reading Week, each of your children will have a "celebrity reader" join their class during library check-out. The "celebrity reader" will be reading their favorite story to each of the classes.

Reading Night

Returning from last year, Blythe Park PTA will again sponsor a reading night on Thursday, November 17th at 7:00pm. Kids are invited to come to school in pajamas to enjoy a story, cookies and milk and a reading related craft. Riverside Public Librarian Anne Huston will be our guest reader.

Parade of Readers

We are very excited this year to be adding a new element to Reading Week. We want to thank you in advance for participating and working with your child or children during this exciting week in school!

This year, we will be making paper chains to display how much reading each student is completing each day during Reading Week. We ask that you fill out a link for every book or chapter your child reads each day. When you are done filling out the link, please make a paper chain and send it to school with your child. The links will then be counted and added to your child's total.

Each morning a PTA volunteer will be located at your child's classroom door to collect links returned to school. The links will be counted and stapled to a link collector on each child's locker. If more links are needed, the PTA volunteer will have extra sheets.

Your child can earn a link for reading to you, being read to or reading by themselves. If your child is reading chapter books, they can earn a link for each chapter. If you have a beginning reader, they can earn a link for age appropriate books or chapters. The links will be totaled towards the cumulative incentive list below.

We will also be keeping track of how much the school reads as a whole and will display this total daily on the bulletin board outside the office.

We encourage everyone to read, read, read, with your children as much as possible this week so that we can have a very successful reading week! Again, we encourage you to begin reading this weekend so that your child can read their goal. Let's make **Reading Rock!**

Incentive List for Reading Week 2011

15 Links
A book
30 Links
Sweet Treat (Frosty, Custard or Smoothie) and Pencil
45 Links
Visit to the Treasure box and Rock Star Ribbon
60 Links
Record Change to Gold and Rock Star Key Chain
80 Links
Visit to the Treasure Box and Lunch with the Principal
100 Links
Movie and Popcorn at Lunch