

COUNTRYSIDE READ-A-THON



Countryside Students and Families,

March is National Reading Month and to celebrate, the PTO is kicking off our 3rd annual *Countryside Read-a-Thon* on Monday, March 2! The goal of our Read-a-Thon is to encourage all of our students to develop a love for reading and reinforce good reading habits!

Countryside Read-a-Thon Rules:

1. Record your reading minutes starting **Monday, March 2 through Sunday, March 29.**
2. Keep track of how many minutes you read each day on the Reading Log.
3. Parents/Guardians must sign the Reading Log to confirm that their student has read and reported their minutes accurately.
4. No guessing minutes! Use a clock or timer to accurately record your minutes to ensure the Read-a-Thon is fair and fun for everyone!

Return your Reading Log by Noon on Tuesday, March 31 to be entered to win a Scholastic gift certificate redeemable only at the Book Fair!

What Reading Minutes Count?

- Reading before and after school
- Being read to by other people
- Reading aloud to other people or pets
- Reading under the bed covers, with a flashlight late at night
- Reading instead of watching TV or playing video games
 - Reading assigned homework

What Reading Minutes **DO NOT** Count?

- Reading before the official beginning of the Read-a-Thon
 - Reading instead of doing your homework
 - Reading during school day hours

- What should my daily reading goal be??
 - Kindergarten 10-15 minutes
 - Grades 1-3 15-20 minutes
 - Grades 4-5 20-30 minutes
- Important Read-a-Thon Dates:
 - Monday, March 2 – Read-a-Thon Starts!
 - Monday, March 2-Sunday, March 29 – Read and record your total daily reading minutes on the Reading Log
 - **Tuesday, March 31 – FINAL day to turn in your Reading Log**
 - *Tuesday, March 31 – Countryside's Spring Scholastic Book Fair*
 - Friday, April 3 – Read-a-Thon Celebration Assembly

Read-a-Thon Celebration Assembly and Rewards!

At the Read-a-Thon Assembly, we will celebrate all of our readers and recognize:

- The top 5 readers by grade level
- The classroom with highest participation
- The classrooms with the highest total reading minutes by Grades K-2, Grades 3-5 and CP



**TURN IN
READING LOG
BY TUESDAY,
MARCH 31**

Countryside Elementary Read-a-Thon Reading Log



NAME _____ **Grade** _____ **Teacher** _____

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March 1	March 2 Minutes Read: Parent Initials _____	March 3 Minutes Read: Parent Initials _____	March 4 Minutes Read: Parent Initials _____	March 5 Minutes Read: Parent Initials _____	March 6 Minutes Read: Parent Initials _____	March 7 Minutes Read: Parent Initials _____
March 8 Minutes Read: Parent Initials _____	March 9 Minutes Read: Parent Initials _____	March 10 Minutes Read: Parent Initials _____	March 11 Minutes Read: Parent Initials _____	March 12 Minutes Read: Parent Initials _____	March 13 Minutes Read: Parent Initials _____	March 14 Minutes Read: Parent Initials _____
March 15 Minutes Read: Parent Initials _____	March 16 Minutes Read: Parent Initials _____	March 17 Minutes Read: Parent Initials _____	March 18 Minutes Read: Parent Initials _____	March 19 Minutes Read: Parent Initials _____	March 20 Minutes Read: Parent Initials _____	March 21 Minutes Read: Parent Initials _____
March 22 Minutes Read: Parent Initials _____	March 23 ← Minutes Read: Parent Initials _____	March 24 ← <i>SPRING</i> Minutes Read: Parent Initials _____	March 25 <i>BREAK</i> → Minutes Read: Parent Initials _____	March 26 Minutes Read: Parent Initials _____	March 27 Minutes Read: Parent Initials _____	March 28 Minutes Read: Parent Initials _____
March 29 Minutes Read: Parent Initials _____	March 30 Turn in your Reading Log!	March 31 *Reading Logs DUE! <i>Scholastic Book Fair 3pm – 7pm</i>	April 1	April 2 <i>Read-a-Thon Celebration Assembly</i>	April 3	April 4

Total Minutes Read _____ **Parent Signature** _____