



**Marion County
Public Schools**

*Developing Successful Citizens --
Every Student, Every Day*

January 23-27, 2017

Celebrate Literacy Week highlight:

Superintendent Dr. Heidi Maier visits various schools to read to students.

**Monday,
January 23**
*Various
schools*

- Leaders Are Readers - a different administrator or teacher will share why they love to read and a book talk of their favorite book on the morning news each day of the week.
- Guest Celebrity on Morning TV, each morning M-F to spotlight how "Literacy Changes Our World" "Favorite Book Pennant" Each Class will choose their favorite book and design a pennant for their class. Pennant display will be placed in the cafeteria.
- News Show - Literacy Week Kickoff, Book Recommendations and Teachers and Staff will catch students reading and snap a photo that will be shared on the morning news show.
- We're RED-y to Read Day! Students will wear red and this week's activities will be introduced. (1. Book "Introductions" on the Morning Show; 2. Book displays in the library to coincide with the type of books introduced that day; 3. Bookmark Design Contest; 4. Door Decorating Contest; 5. Book Swap Event; 6. Spirit Dress-up Days; 7. We're Doing Our Part for Reading Contest)
- Free Rice Competition - Students come to the Media Center to play "Freerice.com" for 10-15 minutes. It is a vocabulary website that donates grains of rice for each correct answer. The rice is then donated to a needy community in a third world country. Focus on spelling and vocabulary.
- Announcements including facts promoting literacy.
- Reading RALLY in Library all day! Come with a buddy and "share read" with a group from your class. Explore books, check out online books and resources.
- Drop everything and Read (15 minute of reading)
- Social media Twitter contest
- Read-Grow-Share (3 different book sharing activities)
- Take a library survey

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| <p>Tuesday, January 24 <i>Various schools</i></p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Get Caught Reading - any student caught reading during the week will get Panther Cash. Photos of students reading will be displayed on the website and morning news. • "Our Reading is So Bright Greenway Stars Have to Wear Shades" Day Students will be allowed to wear sunglasses while reading. This might be a good day for them to read poems and choose their favorite one or write a poem for Friday's activity. • Book Recommendations on the News Show. Teachers and Staff will catch students reading and snap a photo that will be shared on the morning news show • Ticket to Read Tuesday - If 90% of our students do a Ticket to Read lesson at school or home this week, Legacy will be recognized as a Gold Star School and participating students will receive a gold star award! (Morning Show emphasis – award winning, “gold star” books) • Mock Trials for the book To Kill a Mockingbird • Poetry Out Loud Competitions • Pen Pay Promotion - Students visit Media Center to sign up for a potential pen or e-pal. This promotion focuses on letter-writing skills, geography, and exploring other cultures. • High School Student Volunteers partner with teachers to read at one of our feeder elementary schools. • Book Character Bingo on morning announcements. • “Who read it better” staff contest” (students vote) |
| <p>Wednesday, January 25 <i>Various schools</i></p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Guess How Many Books in the Library Contest - The student closes to the number of books will win a set of Roald Dahl books. • "Newspaper Day" Students and staff wear black and white to symbolize newspapers. Teachers will share newspaper articles with students on this day. • DEAR Read - 30 minutes in classrooms • Reading Makes Us Super Smart Day! Students will wear super hero attire or symbols to show that they know that the more we read, the more we know! (Morning Show emphasis – nonfiction books) • Library Scavenger Hunt - Students come in and receive a "Scavenger Hunt" sheet that takes them through different areas in the Library, and sites on their student desktop. They answer questions and turn in the sheet for a prize. • Bookmark contest focusing on 'Literacy Changes Our World.' • Essay contest: 'How do literature and illiterate people navigate the world differently?' |

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| <p>Thursday, January 26 <i>Various schools</i></p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • "REaD Carpet Ready to Hunt for a Good Book" Students and staff wear red or camouflage and hunt for interesting books that concentrate on the world. • Ocala Civic Theater presents "Splat the Cat" K-2 and "Fantastic Mr. Fox" 3-5 • Wild About Reading Day! Students will wear wild and crazy mismatched clothes to show just how crazy they are about reading! (Morning Show emphasis - funny books. Door Decorating Contest winners will be announced.) • Admin. Literacy Challenge - Have administrative team read FIVE .5 point AR books and take the AR quiz. Whoever does the best gets to read the book on morning show, students then have the option to take the AR test on it. In the event of a tie, we will have some sort of tiebreaker event. • Share an article about the importance of literacy in a global community. • Quick Writes--decorate library walls. How do books change your world? • "For the Love of Books" (Meeting for students who love to read.) |
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**Friday,
January 27**
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- "Poem in Your Pocket" Day Writing poems or sharing your favorite poem is a lot of fun for all ages. Teachers may want to share a few poems or provide copies for the lower grades. Have students carry their poems around and when they meet someone they stop and read the poem. Have the listener sign their papers. Depending on the age of your students, the poems may vary from simple, short poems to more complex poetry forms.
- Poems in Your Pocket - The Leadership team will carry poems and share with students throughout the day.
- Paws for Reading Day! Students will wear their Legacy Lion spirit shirts or some other "lion" attire and "pause" during the day to hear one of their teacher's favorite books. Teachers will read a favorite book to their class and if they chose to, they will dress as one of their favorite book characters.
- The Book Swap Event will take place in the Media Center throughout the day. (Morning Show emphasis –information about teachers' favorite books.* Bookmark Contest winners and We're Doing Our Part for Reading Contest winners will be announced on Monday.)
- WORD WALL DAY- Students may visit the Media Center to write down and post on the Wall (with drawings or quotes) their favorite book or even word. They also make a commitment to encourage literacy in their homes and discourage excessive or improper cell phone/computer use with their peers.
- Activities include reading the winning essay from the Literacy Week Contest, a class discussion on the different forms of literacy and comparing them to challenges of daily life as both a literate and illiterate person.
- Unveiling of the WPHS Little Free Library, being designed and constructed by their own engineering department.
- Book Character Day (4 stations) Schedule to be determined.
- Center teams dress up as characters, do activities, book talk-- just CELEBRATE book characters.
- "Book Bee"
- "Open the door to reading Contest" (Door decorating Contest)