



Dear Families,

Our annual Read-A-Thon is a fun and easy way for students to read during the mid-winter break, AND raise money for our school. Read books and get sponsors to support PS 452's enrichment programs!

**How Does it Work?**

PLEDGE COLLECTION	Ask friends, relatives and neighbors to pledge money to support your child's reading. Fill out the attached Pledge Sheet.	NOW through Feb. 24
READING TIME	1. Read, read, read! 2. Keep track of the # of books read, or blocks of time read. See chart below.	NOW through Feb. 24
MONEY COLLECTION	After winter break, collect funds from those who pledged and return the forms and money to school inside an envelope labeled "Read-A-Thon".	SUBMIT PLEDGE SHEETS AND MONEY in KidMail Feb. 25 – Mar. 8

**Suggested Reading Goals per Grade**

Pre-K & K	Minimum of 8 books	3rd Grade	Minimum of 9 periods of 30 minutes
1st Grade	Minimum of 10 books	4th Grade	Minimum of 9 periods of 40 minutes
2nd Grade	Minimum of 8 periods of 25 minutes	5th Grade	Minimum of 9 periods of 45 minutes

\*Families are encouraged to set their own goals and adjust the suggested ones to each student's reading level.

**What counts?**

- Read by yourself
- Read anything, in any language
- Read aloud to other people or pets
- Being read by other people (for Pre-K or K only)
- Read during the Read-A-Thon period (Feb. 16-24)

**Class Prizes**

PreK, K & 1st graders are grouped together, grades 2-5 in another group. Prizes based on participation and books/minutes logged.

**1st Class Prize:** Your class will get front row seats when famous author, Bryan Collier, visits PS 452 for a special Read A Loud and Q&A Session. Every student in the class will also get an autographed copy of one of his books!

**2nd Class Prize:** Four autographed books for the class

**Individual Reader Prizes**

There will be a 1st and 2nd prize for each grade group (two PreK-1st grade winners, two grade 2-5 winners). Each winner will receive a \$10 gift card from Shakespeare & Co., to be redeemed at their book store on Broadway between 69<sup>th</sup> & 70<sup>th</sup>.



Find more details in the forms attached. If you have any questions, please contact Alice Chen ([agchen@gmail.com](mailto:agchen@gmail.com)) or Stephanie Bethel ([Stephanie.s.bethel@me.com](mailto:Stephanie.s.bethel@me.com)).