**Celebrate Literacy Week, Florida!**

**January 24-28, 2022**

**District: Columbia**

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**Monday, January 24th**

**Magical Monday:** Dress Up as a Fairy Tale Character. DEAR time – Find a New Way to Read (read in the floor, under a chair, etc.). **Guest Readers.**

Every classroom will be creating a Book Buddy out of a 2-liter bottle that will be due on Thursday, January 27. Book Bingo given out Monday and due on Friday.

“Crazy About Books - Wacky Tacky Day” Students wear mismatched assortment of clothes and accessories to help celebrate Literacy Week.


**Theme:** We’re Crazy About Reading, **Dress-up Day:** Wear crazy hair, hats, and socks, **Door Contest: Teachers** may begin decorating with a literacy-based theme. Judging on Friday. **Guess Who’s Reading Contest:** begins in the Media Center through Friday, Jan. 28th.

**Mystery Monday:** A genre of stories that involve a secret or crime that needs to be solved, usually by the end of the story. Ex. Sherlock Holmes, Cam Jansen, Nancy Drew.
**Tuesday, January 25th**

**Kick off Literacy Week:** Principal Keith Couey – “Launch into Literacy, Blast Off into New Worlds!” He will share an excerpt from his favorite book and suggest students check out the book to discover why it is his favorite and encourage students to launch into the habit of reading for pleasure. **Teachers:** Discuss the week’s theme with your students so they understand all the new worlds reading allows them to explore. Highlight books in your classroom that enhance your subject that you would encourage them to read. Share your own favorite books and short excerpts throughout the week. Discuss the importance of reading to learn and for pleasure. Allow extra time for students to read for pleasure during the week. Take these suggestions and plan your special week with your students as you Launch them into Literacy!

**Media Center:** Displays of books featuring Outer Space and NASA will be available to students throughout the week.

**Hats Off to Reading** – wear a hat, **DEAR time** – Read to a Furry Buddy (bring a stuffed animal to read to). **Guest Readers.**

“Read My Shirt Day” Students wear school appropriate shirts with print on them to help celebrate Literacy Week. **Picture Day:** Pictures will be taken of anybody caught reading voluntarily and displayed on the school’s main bulletin board. **Read-a-thon:** Afterschool, students will have the opportunity to read and take quizzes on A.R. books.

**Theme:** Team Up for Reading, **Dress-up Day:** Students wear favorite team jersey or hat.

**Tall Tale Tuesday:** A Fictional story that stretches the truth. The heroes are “larger than life.” Ex. Paul Bunyan, Johnny Appleseed, Sally Fink…

**Morning Announcements:** Reading by an administrator sharing an excerpt from his favorite book and suggest students check out the book to discover why it is his favorite while encouraging them to launch into the habit of reading for pleasure. **Teachers:** Continue with the special activities that you have planned for your classes to encourage literacy. **Media Center:** Displays of books featuring Outer Space and NASA will be available to students throughout the week. Check it out! Space theme movies will play on the TV each day if you would like your students to view.
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| **Wednesday, January 26th** | Reading Gives Us a Bright Future – Wear Neon or Bright Colors  
DEAR time – Reading Makes us Bright (Bring a pair of sunglasses to read with) **Guest Reader.**  
“Reading is DOUBLE the fun!” Students dress like twins to help celebrate literacy week. Literacy Fun Day in the Media: Students will participate in a variety of full-filled literacy games. Prizes will be rewarded.  
**Theme:** We’re Wild About Reading. **Dress-up Day:** Wear camo or animal print.  
**Western Fiction and/or Wear Yellow:** A genre of literature set in the American Old West frontier. Or Wear Yellow to support National School Choice Week.  
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| **Thursday, January 27th** | Cozy Up with a Good Book – Wear Pajamas. **DEAR Time** – Cozy Up and Read (Bring a Pillow). Family Reading Night – 2:30 to 6pm in the Media Center. **Guest Reader.**  
“Get Lost in Reading!” Students wear camouflage to help celebrate literacy week.  
**Theme:** Launch into Literacy🚀🚀. **Dress-up Day:** Dress up as an astronaut, Star Wars character, alien, etc. Family Reading night.  
**Theatrical Thursday (Drama):** A drama is a type of story acted out before an audience, often in a theater. Dramas are commonly called plays.  
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| Friday, January 28th |

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**MPE Students Love to Read** – Wear school colors or shirts. **DEAR Time** – Glow in the Dark (bring a Flashlight to read with). **Guest Reader.**

“Be a Good Sport and Read” Students wear SPORTS APPAREL to help celebrate literacy week.

Puppet Show: Little Red Riding Hood (K-2); Selfish Giant (3-5)

**Theme:** Glow Crazy for Books. **Dress-up Day:** Wear bright or neon colors. Door Contest Final Judging/Pizza party to winner. **Guess Who’s Reading Contest** Drawing/Prizes awarded.

**Parade of Fiction:** We will celebrate characters found in literature in a school parade. Characters may be fictional or nonfictional characters. We encourage you to think “outside of the box” and choose characters not brought to life by Disney, Marvel…This is an opportunity for you to bring your favorite, most beloved characters to life!

**Morning Announcements:** Mr. Couey concludes our Celebrate Literacy Week, Florida! by encouraging all to continue reading every day. He will share the poem “Reader’s Oath” by Debra Angstead.

**ANNOUNCE:** Students selected to attend the Literacy Week Breakfast will be dismissed to the Media Center to participate in the NASA presentation by Mr. and Mrs. Mark Ratterman. Please check the SSA sent to your email. **Teachers:** Continue with the special activities that you have planned for your classes to encourage literacy. At the conclusion of The Literacy Week NASA Presentation, it will be available for your students to view throughout the rest of the day on the TV. Don’t let your students miss this presentation!

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Watch the Literacy Week NASA presentation.