



MARCH IS READING MONTH

Read for the Gold!

March is designated as “Reading Month” in Michigan schools. Our goal is to promote a love of reading and to help our students learn that we build knowledge through reading. We want to encourage our students to develop good habits by reading every day! Here are some fun things we have planned for the month:

READING LOGS



Starting Tuesday, March 1st, students will need to begin keeping track of how many minutes they read at home each day on their reading logs. Students need to turn in their forms with a parent signature every Thursday morning beginning March 10th.

Students who turn in their reading logs on time will be in the weekly classroom drawing to win a book prize. Grade level classrooms will be competing for Gold Medals. We will keep

track of the total number of minutes read by each class as they compete for the most minutes read for the month. The top reading classroom in every grade level will earn a reward. We ask students to go for the gold by reading a **minimum** of 20 minutes a day. Lower Elementary students (K-2) may include the minutes they are read to by someone along with their own reading minutes. As a school, we are trying to read at least 275,000 minutes. If we reach that goal, we will have a special school celebration. Also, students who read for the gold and return all 4 weekly reading logs on time will earn a free ticket to a USBPL baseball game at Jimmy John's field in Utica!



SPIRIT DAYS: We will celebrate our Reading Olympics with Spirit Days throughout March. The dates and themes are as follows- Monday, February 28th, we will celebrate our Opening Ceremony and every Monday in March “Dressed like Mrs. Lipski” in Athletic Wear. Then, every Thursday, when Reading Logs are due, there will be a different Olympic Flag Color Spirit Day- March 3rd is Blue Day, March 10th is Black Day, March 17th is Green Day, March 24th is Red Day and March 31st is Yellow Day.

BOOK REVIEWS: During March, the students are encouraged to complete book reviews on the attached form. Once your child reads a book that they think should earn a gold medal, they can complete a book review form. Encourage them to use neat writing and do their very best reviewing the book. Have them turn the form to their classroom teacher for a chance to read the review on our announcements. Students can enter multiple reviews throughout the month. Additional Book Review forms are available in the media center.



BOOKMARK CONTEST: We will have the Bookmark Design Contest again this year. Forms with details will be sent home Friday, March 11th and designs are due Friday, March 25th. The winners will be announced in April after Spring Break.

SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR: We will be having a Scholastic Book Fair in the media center starting March 7th through March 11th. We will be open during conferences. You can also access our online book fair at the link below from March 4th through March 17th. Salk's library earns 25% percent of every purchase to put towards the purchase of new books. Thanks for your support! Our Online Fair Link is...


<http://www.scholastic.com/bf/salkelementaryschool4>

HOME ACTIVITY CALENDAR: Attached you will find a calendar filled with fun reading activities for students to do at home and reminders about Spirit Days, Reading Log due dates and other events. We hope these activities will encourage and inspire your children to "Read for the GOLD!" at least 20 minutes every day.



Salk's Reading Olympics

MARCH 2022 READ FOR THE GOLD! HERE'S SOME FUN WAYS TO READ AT LEAST 20 MINUTES A DAY!

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
 <p>Salk Elementary's READING OLYMPICS</p>	FEB 28 1 Opening Ceremonies- Dress like Mrs. Lipski- Wear athletic clothing	1 PICTURE DAY Read a book about sports!	2 Read a comic book, some comic strips, or a graphic novel!	3 OLYMPIC RINGS SPIRIT DAY- Wear BLUE and read a book with a blue cover!	4 Read some knock-knock jokes! Online Bookfair Opens Today	5 Read a recipe and make it!
6 Wear clothing that is covered in words!	7 Read with a flashight! Dress like Mrs. Lipski Monday! Bookfair Opens Today 8AM-4PM	8 Listen to an audio book! Bookfair 8AM-4PM	9 Read a fairytale! 1st Reading Log due tomorrow	10 Reading Log due OLYMPIC RINGS SPIRIT DAY- Wear Black and read a book with a black cover! Bookfair 8AM-8PM	11 Read a mystery! Bookmark Contest Starts Bookfair Closes at Noon	12 Visit the public library and check out some books!
13 Read some poems!	14 Read a carry-out menu! Dress like Mrs. Lipski Monday!	15 Read to your pet or stuffed animal!	16 Read a book and act it out! 2nd Reading Log due tomorrow	17 Reading Log due OLYMPIC RINGS SPIRIT DAY- Wear Green and read a book with a green cover! Online Bookfair Ends	18 Read game instructions and then play it!	19 Stay up an extra 10 minutes to read!
20 Wear your PJs and find a cozy place to read!	21 Read a nonfiction book! Dress like Mrs. Lipski Monday!	22 Read some song lyrics!	23 Read to a special friend! 3rd Reading Log due tomorrow	24 Reading Log due OLYMPIC RINGS SPIRIT DAY- Wear RED and read a book with a red cover!!	25 Reread your favorite book! Bookmark Contest Ends	26 Read a book that was turned into a movie and then watch the movie!
27 Read in a blanket fort!	28 Read a magazine! Dress like Mrs. Lipski Monday!	29 Read some jokes!	30 <i>Read as much as you can for the final Reading Log due tomorrow!</i>	31 Reading Log due OLYMPIC RINGS SPIRIT DAY- Wear YELLOW and read a book with a yellow cover!	Start a new chapter book to keep you reading in April!	

Salk Elementary's



Week #1 Reading Log



Student's Name _____

Teacher/Room _____

Please use the chart below to keep track of your daily reading minutes. Remember to go for the gold by reading at least 20 minutes each day. Minutes spent reading books, magazines, newspapers, and other text in print or on an electronic device count towards your goal. Kindergarten through 2nd grade students can also count minutes that they have been read to. On **Thursday, March 10th**, please bring your totaled and signed reading log back to school and turn it in to your teacher. Your minutes will be added to the total for your class and count toward our school goal of 275,000 minutes read for the month. If we reach our reading goal for the school, there will be a special activity later in the year. Also, if you go for the gold by returning all 4 weekly reading logs on time, you will earn a free ticket to a USBPL baseball game!



Students should have a minimum of 180 minutes read on this log!

Due 3/10

WEEK 1 DATES	Daily Reading Minutes
Tuesday, March 1 st	
Wednesday, March 2 nd	
Thursday, March 3 rd	
Friday, March 4 th	
Saturday, March 5 th	
Sunday March 6 th	
Monday, March 7 th	
Tuesday, March 8 th	
Wednesday March 9 th	
Parent Signature	Total minutes



Gold Medal Book Review

Read a good book that you'd like to share with other Salk students? Complete this form and turn it in to Mrs. Kijek in the media center for a chance to read your book review on the daily announcements! Do your very best work and you might get chosen. Enter as many times as you would like.

My name is _____. I'm in _____ grade
in _____ class. The title of my Gold
Medal Book is _____. It was written
by _____. I think it deserves a gold
medal because it is _____.
This book is about: _____
