



Northlake Woods (NLW) Read-a-thon 2014

Dear NLW Parents,

Our second **NLW Read-a-thon** kicks off November 14th! This is School Council's biggest fundraiser for this school year. We are asking students and families to focus on literacy and reading in order to raise important funds for the revitalization of our school's woodlot. (Details about those efforts are on the back.)

What is the NLW Read-a-thon?

- From Nov 14-28 all NLW students will focus on reading. Each student will set a personal daily reading goal that encourages them to go beyond their current reading habits for these 15 days.
- Students are invited to seek donations from family and friends to help motivate them to meet their personal reading goal.
- Participation of all students in the reading portion is encouraged. Sponsorship or donations are greatly appreciated but not mandatory.
- Students are eligible for draw prizes in one of two ways, for meeting their daily reading goal and for the sponsors they collect.

Why is this Read-a-thon important?

- Our Read-a-thon is a win-win for NLW students. The program and its activities motivate students to read more and achieve their reading goals, while raising money that helps to support learning programs at school. 100% of the funds collected remain at the school.

What are Parents asked to do?

- Encourage your child to set a reasonable personal reading goal and support them each day to be successful in meeting it!
- Assist your child in collecting sponsors and record each sponsor on the Read-a-thon envelop.
- Track each successful day of reading from Nov 14 -28 on the reading log (initial each day completed), including weekends!
- After Nov 28, collect all donations and place them inside the Read-a-thon envelope and **return to your child's teacher on Dec. 3rd!**

We appreciate your support and generosity!

Our goal is to raise enough funds to complete plans to revitalize our school's woodlot and to **Putting the Woods back into Northlake Woods.**

Happy Reading,
NLW School Council and Staff



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The Goal; The Woodlot at Northlake Woods Public School has always been a unique, defining feature of our school community. The goal of this year's Read-a-thon is to raise funds to revitalize this space and return it to the focal point of our school it has always been.



With funds raised from this Read-a-thon, we plan to remove trees impacted by the Ash Borer Beetle infection, restore the overgrown path, and create a mud free learning space that can be used as an outdoor classroom for all of our students. This is not a small project. Preliminary planning has already begun, and now it's time to raise funds to begin putting the ideas into action. All money raised through this year's Read-a-thon will be invested in the woodlot. We are looking for your support in this community project. For more information or to see how you can get involved, please contact the main office (519 885-1115) or send a message to nlwcouncil@yahoo.ca.