March Newsletter

Readers are Leaders!

Every year we join in this month-long celebration designed to encourage reading as a fun activity for the whole family. Reading, and understanding what you read, is a skill that everyone needs to be successful. The best way to improve understanding is to read a lot. There is nothing like a challenging book to lift you up or take you to another world. Developing a love of reading will be an asset to your child in all areas of school and give him/her a jumpstart to a lifetime of reading!

Below is a list of books that your child will enjoy while also reinforcing the 7 Habits at home. Additional suggestions can be found at The Leader in Me Online.

Lower elementary (K-3)  Read the book together. Ask your child questions about how the characters used the habits.

Upper elementary (4-6) Your child reads the book to you. Ask questions about how your child uses the habit.

Habits 1-7

The 7 Habits of Happy Kids by Sean Covey

Habit 1: Be Proactive

The Very Lonely Firefly by Eric Carle
The Carrot Seed by Ruth Krauss

Habit 2: Begin with the End in Mind

Click, Clack, Cows that Moo by Doreen Cronin,
Pancakes, Pancakes by Eric Carle

Habit 3: Put First Things First
Froggy Gets Dressed by Jonathan London
Jamaica’s Find by Juanita Havill

**Habit 4: Think Win-Win**

*The Very Clumsy Click Beetle* by Eric Carle
*Let’s Be Enemies* by Janice May Udry

**Habit 5: Seek First to Understand Then to Be Understood**

*The True Story of the Three Little Pigs* by Jon Scieszka
*Are You My Mother?* by P.D. Eastman

**Habit 6: Synergize**

*Ox-Cart Man* by Donald Hall
*Clifford’s Spring Clean-Up* by Norman Bridwell

**Habit 7: Sharpen the Saw**

*Owl Moon* by Jane Yolen
*Henry Hikes to Fitchburg* by D. B. Johnson