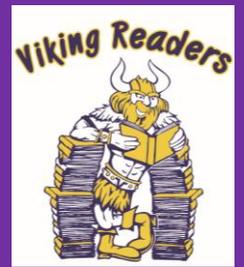


Viking Readers Monthly

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November 2017

Dates

Nov. 20

No mentors
Monthly testing

Nov. 20

No 9:00, 11:50,
12:30, 1:50
mentors

Nov. 22-23

Thanksgiving
Break
No School

3 Hour Delays

If our school has a 3 hour delay, then the elementary schedule changes drastically and students are not able to come to the Viking Reader classroom. Usually a 2 hour delay is announced first and then we move to a 3 hour delay if conditions don't improve.

We will send a text message through Remind to keep you updated with our program if school is delayed or canceled.



The first week of our program we had a first grader shout out in frustration, "I CAN'T READ!!!" when working with his mentor. Just one week later, the same student successfully read his book in his folder. He was so excited when returning to his classroom that he ran up to his teacher and yelled, "I CAN READ NOW!!!!" His classmates circled around him and congratulated him. If only each of you could see the smiles from everyone in that classroom on his achievement. Small steps in reading and in confidence are changing the future of our students. Mentors, thank you for all you do!



Miss Nancy



Cold Read Going UP

If your student goes up on their cold read from the previous book's cold read, they get a candy!!! Since cold reads are not practiced before timing, this is a great indicator of how your student is progressing.

How do you thank someone who helps all day long? Miss Nancy is our angel, often behind the scenes, doing all of the things that keep the packets working smoothly. She not only makes each Word Bank Card, she also refills folders and lesson plan packets. If we have added a new book or game, odds are good Miss Nancy helped with it. The black and white books that the students take home when they move up a grade level, are made by her hands.

One of the high school mentors lovingly nicknamed her the Viking Readers Grandma. We couldn't do this without you!

We have been hard at work adding new books along with worksheets, games and other materials to our library of reading packets. Be on the lookout for these new titles.

Dan the Tan Man (decodable)
What Lives in This Hole? (K)

Coming this year.....

Two Makes Twins (L)
Shoes Around the World (L)
I Live in the City (H)
Swing, Sydney, Swing (B)
Glow in the Dark Animals (R)
Animals Can Move (B)
All By Myself (B)
Dogs at Work (P)



Be sure to look for your picture with your student on the "We Love our Mentors to pieces" board. We will be adding new pictures weekly.



One early morning recently we had one of our more challenging elementary students stick his head in our classroom on his way to his class. He asked if he was coming to Viking Readers today. When we told him yes, his smile became bigger and he said, "Good! This room is a lot of fun."

So if you have one of those challenging students and you wonder what impact, if any, you are having on him/her, be assured you are changing a life!

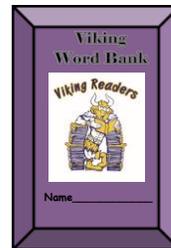


Texting

Announcements

We have sent messages using "Remind Me", a group texting program. If you have any questions about this message system, please see Judy or Patty.

If you would want to give your student a tiny gift for Christmas, please let us know. We will arrange a special time for you to meet with your student away from the others in his/her class. Please don't feel obligated to do this, but we have had a few mentors ask if they could give their student a candy bar, a book, or something small.



If your student is low or out of Word Bank Words, please let us know. We will see if they have any extra words left in their files. If they don't, then your student will need assessed. You might find your student's word bank envelope paper clipped to a list with a note explaining your student needs assessed. Word Bank assessments should be done AFTER everything has been completed from the daily lesson plan.

Next issue...

- New Mentors join our team
- New Business Sponsor Helps our Program

We *fall* for our mentors!

