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# Thursday: Dec. 21:

Read-a-Thon Kick Off Day at Edison:

Dress like your favorite book character. Face paint allowed. No masks.

Our read-a-thon goal is at least 20 min. of reading per student per day over the break!

Students just completed mid-year Aimsweb testing, during which they read for one minute from a grade-level passage. Strategies to help students increase reading speed include:

-read aloud every day at home, to any audience: parent, sibling, pet, or stuffed animal. Parents, please give students time to **self-correct** and do not jump in to correct unless meaning is affected.

-read along in a second copy of a book while an adult or older sibling reads to you

-watch TV and movies with **closed captioning** on

-read from a passage for one minute and note how far you read, then do it again and see if you read further (this can be fun and encouraging)

-an adult or older sibling reads a passage to you, then you read it back (“echo” reading)

Try some of these over the break!

### Edison Elementary

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**Donation Needs:**

We could use packages of **sticky notes** (please NOT “Super Sticky”—generics are actually the best), lemon/orange Clorox wipes, and paper towels. Thanks!

# HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

# Literacy Night:

Thursday, December 14 is Literacy Night at Edison. Students may wear PJs all day.

**Literacy Night Schedule:**

5:30-6:00    ECE-2nd read aloud and sing along: gym

**5:30-6:00    3rd—5th classroom activities\***

6:00-6:15    passing time/cookie time: cafeteria

6:15-6:45    ECE-2nd classroom activities

**6:15-6:45    3rd—5th read aloud and sing along: gym**

5:00-7:00     shop the Scholastic Book Fair in the auditorium – proceeds benefit Edison classroom libraries

**\*students will make holiday ornaments in room 204.**

**Homework over winter break:**

Please **read** at least every other day. **Talk or write about your reading.** Read aloud when you can. Study your multiplication patterns book, work on **Math Facts in a Flash** (our goal is to finish all multiplication levels by mid-February and to finish all division levels by the end of the year). Work on typing.com and IXL. Reading passage packets and spelling lists will resume on January 11.

# Reading Fluency Strategies:

Ms.Mathews’s Classroom News

Room

204

banner with apples and crayons