



Shadow Lake Elementary School PTA
22620 Sweeney Road S.E. Maple Valley, WA 98038
Get 5 for \$5.00 Challenge

January 5, 2010

Dear School Families and Community Members,

You may be aware that school funding in our country is in critical need of assistance from private businesses, corporations, and citizens of our communities. At Shadow Lake Elementary School, we are trying to combine the need for fundraising with a program that supports our district curriculum and encourages students to take pride and ownership in their schools. Three years ago we implemented the I "PAWS" to Read program to reward kids for their reading accomplishments. We used fundraising money to support the program with medallion rewards for all the readers. Its success has been astounding with nearly 70% of our students participating in this extracurricular reading program so far in 2009.

This year, Shadow Lake is hosting the **GET 5 for \$5.00 Challenge Read-a-Thon**. The goal is to have students get sponsors for reading during a reading celebration in March. We are asking each student in the school to get five sponsors for \$5.00 each to reach our goal of at least \$10,000.

Fundraising by our school PTA is used to provide our students with classroom supplies, music programs, PE equipment, technology equipment, and art docent programs. Fundraising efforts also pay a portion of zero hour classes, sports programs, summer school, and extra curricular activities for our students. This year, the district had to cut out funding for the annual 5th grade trip to Camp Casey Outdoor Education Center, so part of the proceeds of our fundraising will be directed to support that program in scholarships for our students in need.

Now the time has come to get the kids excited to read~

We are asking parents, community members, and local celebrities to join us over the week of March 1-7th, as Guest Readers in the classroom. The Read-a-Thon theme is Dr. Seuss and guests are encouraged to read their favorite Dr. Seuss classic to the kids, but other books are welcome!

Please take an hour or two out of your busy day to make a difference in the lives of the elementary children at Shadow Lake. Help them get excited about reading during our Read-a-Thon fundraiser. If you are interested, please complete the Guest Reader Form attached and we will contact you with your reading schedule.

Please forward any questions regarding this event to m.behrendt@msn.com. Thank you very much for your support of Shadow Lake Elementary School.

Sincerely,

Michelle Behrendt
Shadow Lake PTA

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Read-a-Thon Guest Reader Information

Please fill out the information below so that we can schedule you with a participating teacher for guest reading during the week of school, March 1st -March 5th, 2010.

Contact Information

Full Name: _____
Phone: _____
Email: _____

Reading Availability

Please let us know when you are available as clearly as possible so that we can match you with teachers of similar preference. If you are available multiple days or times please state that as well.

Day Preference: (circle as many as apply)

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Time Preference: (circle as many as apply)

Early Morning
(9am-10:30)

Mid-Morning
(10:30-12:00)

Early Afternoon
(12:30-1:30)

Late Afternoon
(2:00-3:30)

Are you willing to read for more than one class in day selected? How many? _____

Are you willing to read for more than one day this week? How Many? _____

Maximum # of days you are willing to read: _____

Teacher Preference:

If you would like to read for a particular teacher we will try to accommodate you. Please be aware we may not be able to fulfill all specific teacher requests depending on the number of volunteers and openings we have to fill per class.

Choice #1: _____

Choice #2: _____

Choice #3: _____

I have a child in class with the teacher(s) listed above:	Choice #1	Y	N
	Choice #2	Y	N
	Choice #3	Y	N

Additional Comments or Requests:

We will contact volunteers with a reading schedule and provide the contact information for the teacher of the class you will be reading for. Please note guest readers will be given approximately 20 minutes of class time and limit reading selections accordingly. If you need assistance for a reading selection, please contact the teacher directly, and they can assist you with options from the school or class library. Questions about the Read-a-Thon or Guest Reader Information can be directed to Michelle Behrendt at m.behrendt@msn.com

Thank you for your time and support!

