

Amsterdam School Title 1 Newsletter March/April 2025



What Does Research Say About Ways Parents Can Help Their Children With Reading?

- Provide a good role model-read yourself and read often to your child.
- Provide varied reading material-some for reading enjoyment and some with information about hobbies and interests.
- Encourage activities that require reading-or example, cooking (reading a recipe), constructing a kite (reading directions), or identifying an interesting bird's nest or a shell collected at the beach (using a reference book).
- Establish a reading time, even if it is only 10 minutes a day (preferably 20).
- Write notes to your school-age child; encourage written responses.
- Ask your child to bring a library book home to read to a younger sibling.
- Establish one evening a week for reading (<u>instead of television viewing</u>).
- Encourage your child in all reading efforts.

Dates to Remember

March 1st - 31st

Whooo's Reading Month!!

March 3rd 7:30 - 8:20am

Books & Breakfast

March 21st

NO SCHOOL

March 26th

End of 3rd Quarter

April 18th & 21st

NO SCHOOL



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10 Benefits of Reading Aloud to Children

- Builds Vocabulary
- Improves reading comprehension
- Promotes empathy
- Reduces stress
- Boosts brain development
- · Exposes children to different experiences
- Increases chances of later success
- Helps develop communication skills
- Builds self-esteem
- Deepens family connections