

St. Joseph School  
RIGHT-TO-READ WEEK  
February 29 – March 4, 2016  
“PAWS FOR A GOOD BOOK”

**RIGHT-TO-READ WEEK** is here with many planned activities for reading, fun, and learning. Here are a few highlights of the week’s events so you can mark your calendars.

**MONDAY February 29**                    **GUEST READER DAY** Each class will invite a guest reader to their classroom.

**TUESDAY March 1**                    **BUDDY READING DAY.** This day is set aside for reading with your buddy class. Bring your favorite stuffed animal to read to also.

**WEDNESDAY March 2**                    **ASSEMBLY DAY** This year we welcome Richard Cowdrey an illustrator from Mt. Vernon, Ohio. Richard has illustrated many beautiful children’s picture books, including the New York Times #1 bestseller “Bad Dog Marley!” All students will have the opportunity to sketch along with Mr. Cowdrey during his presentations. Check out his webpage: [www.rcowdrey.com](http://www.rcowdrey.com)

**THURSDAY March 3**                    **TREAT DAY AND CELEBRATE DR. SEUSS’S BIRTHDAY.** We will celebrate reading and pass out a treat for our entire school in recognition of our reading efforts. Each class will celebrate Dr. Seuss’s birthday in their own way and some classes may even do book swaps with other classrooms.

**FRIDAY March 4**                    **RONALD MCDONALD ASSEMBLY/JEANS & READING T-SHIRT DAY.** All students may wear jeans today and a “reading- t-shirt”. Details on the shirt went home on February 11 in the Thursday envelope. Ronald will perform at 10:00 a.m. in the banquet hall for grades K-3. We will have our grand prize drawings that afternoon.

#### **ON-GOING ACTIVITIES:**

#### **CERTIFICATE OF READING ACHIEVEMENT**

As in the past, we will be encouraging reading for pleasure at home. Reading Chapter 8 in your science text and other homework does not count. This contest is for grades K – 8 and is the way your child will be in the daily drawings for prizes and enjoy a treat the following week. Your reading certificates are being sent home with each child and are available on our school web page. Make sure you look for them and begin reading **this weekend**. The certificates need to be signed by a parent and handed in by the dates shown. **No exceptions.** If you are absent please return your slip for the absent days on your first day back to school. Return the slip from this weekend on Monday morning, February 29. Each certificate thereafter will be marked with the date that the slip should be turned in by. The returned slips will then become raffle tickets for daily drawings and on Friday afternoon we will draw grand prizes for our reading efforts.

**READING WEBSITES** worth checking out:  
[www.rcowdrey.com](http://www.rcowdrey.com); [www.nea.org/readacross](http://www.nea.org/readacross) ; [www.kidsreads.com](http://www.kidsreads.com)

**READING TRIVIA** questions will be asked each morning on closed circuit announcements and small prizes awarded each day.

We have many wonderful volunteers who have been busy gathering information and bringing forth great ideas to make this a very successful week. Mark your calendars, turn off that TV, design that T-shirt, read and join in on the fun! Please contact us if you have any questions.

Mary Ann Wisniewski, Librarian  
And The Right to Read Committee  
Denise Brown  
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