



# March is Reading Month One Book, One School



This year to celebrate March is Reading Month, our entire school will be reading *Winter According to Humphrey*. This is why it is called One Book, One School. *Winter According to Humphrey* is just one book in a series about Humphrey, the class hamster at Longfellow School. Attached is a letter from Betty Birney, who's the author of the series!

Each family will each get a book, it will be distributed to the oldest student in your family. Our goal is that you will follow the pacing guide as you read this together at home. This outlines the chapters to be read each week. Each teacher will also be given a book to discuss the book and answer the weekly trivia questions. The book is for your family to keep! We hope you enjoy reading together as a family.

Throughout the month of March we will have a wide variety of reading themed activities at school and at home. Attached is a calendar of all of the activities.

Books will be distributed by Thursday, February 22, 2018 with important information regarding March is Reading Month.

## **Pacing Guide**

To celebrate March is Reading Month at home, we ask that you read *Winter According to Humphrey* at home each night. To finish the book by the end of the month please follow this suggested pacing guide.

February 26–March 2: Chapters 1–4

March 5–9: Chapters 5–8

March 12–16: Chapters 9–12

March 19–23: Chapters 13–16

## **Weekly Trivia Questions**

Each Friday, students will be asked a weekly trivia question based on the chapters read that week. Students from each class who answer the question correctly will be entered to win a prize at the end of the month!



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## DEAR

On Tuesdays and Thursdays throughout the Month of March each classroom will participate in D.E.A.R, which stands for Drop Everything And Read! Students can read books from their classroom libraries or they can bring a book from home!

## Wear it Wednesdays

Each Wednesday dress up to celebrate March is Reading Month!

**March 7:** Wear a hat with words on it!

**March 14:** Be a word day! Wear a button/pin with words on it or pin a word to the front of your shirt and the definition on the back.

**March 21:** Wear a t-shirt with words on it

## Unplugged Night

On Wednesday, March 8, we ask that you “unplug” from your electronic devices!

While you are unplugged, do fun activities together with your family like: play a board game, read together, make dinner together, or any other unplugged activity you can think of!

## Guest Readers

Throughout the month of March, Mrs. Byrne, our media specialist, will be arranging guest readers to come into different classrooms to read. If you would like to be a guest reader in your child’s class, contact your child’s teacher to schedule a time.

## Book Exchange

During the week of March 12–16, students will be participating in a book exchange on their library day! Students can bring in up to five books to exchange with new gently used books! Students will be able to exchange the same number of books they bring in from home, so if a student brings in one book they will be able to pick out one new book.



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## **Bingo for Books**

On March 15, students are invited to play bingo in Arno's cafeteria! Get a bingo and win a book! There will be two different times available! Look for more information about Bingo for Books coming home soon!

## **Penny Wars**

Save your spare change to bring to school the week of March 19–23! Give your pennies to your class and your nickels, dimes, and quarters to other classes! Pennies add to your classes total, but other coins count against your total! The class with the highest total wins! All proceeds will go to future March is Reading Month events!

## **Culminating Activity and Assembly**

On Friday, March 23, we will be celebrating the end of March is Reading Month by wearing pajamas and bringing a favorite book to school! During the day we will be going out into the hallways of the school to sit and read with all of the members of our school! On March 29, students are invited to a reading assembly.



# One Book, One School Event Calendar March 2018

Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.
26)	27) <b>DEAR</b>	28)	1) <b>DEAR</b>	2)
<b>Read Chapters 1-4</b>				
5)	6) <b>DEAR</b>	7) Wear it Wednesday	8) <b>DEAR</b> Upugged Night	9)
<b>Read Chapters 5-8</b>				
12)	13) <b>DEAR</b>	14) Wear it Wednesday	15) Bingo for Books <b>DEAR</b>	16)
<b>Book Exchange</b>				
<b>Read Chapters 9-12</b>				
19)	20) <b>DEAR</b>	21) Wear it Wednesday	22) <b>DEAR</b>	23) Bring your favorite book and wear your PJs to school!
<b>Penny Wars</b>				
<b>Read Chapters 13-16</b>				
26)	27) <b>DEAR</b>	28)	29) <b>DEAR</b>	30)