



April 13, 2026 - April 24, 2026

What is PARP?

Pick A Reading Partner is a program designed to spark a lifelong love of reading in children by encouraging daily reading with a partner such as parents, grandparents, siblings, caregivers, friends or even pets. Reading together builds strong habits, strengthens family bonds, boosts creativity, and helps children succeed in school. See the attached handouts for partner reading tips, PARP Spirit Week flyer and detailed prize information!

What do I have to do?

- Complete your PARP contract and return to your teacher by **Monday, April 13th**.
- Pick a reading partner and read for at least 20 minutes each day. Any fun reading material counts—books, comics, magazines, newspapers, poetry, or even your favorite music lyrics.
- Track your progress on the reading log (attached) by coloring an animal for each day completed. The goal is to read together for 8 days by the end of 2 weeks.
- Return your reading log to your teacher by **Friday, April 24th**.

Class Rewards

Every student earns animal themed rewards for participation! The class in each grade with the most participation points wins **extra recess with lcees**! Local businesses have kindly donated fun prizes for this year's raffle drawings.

- Returned contract = 1 point
- Completed Reading Log = 1 point + raffle ticket
- Each optional activity = 1 point + raffle ticket

Optional Activities:

- Visit Center Moriches Free Public Library with the attached form (perfect to do during break!)
- Complete Book Bingo (attached)

Questions? Contact Crystal Lentini at (631)-456-2391

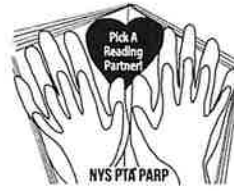
DRAW YOURSELF AS AN EXPLORER



First and Last Name: _____

Teacher and Grade: _____

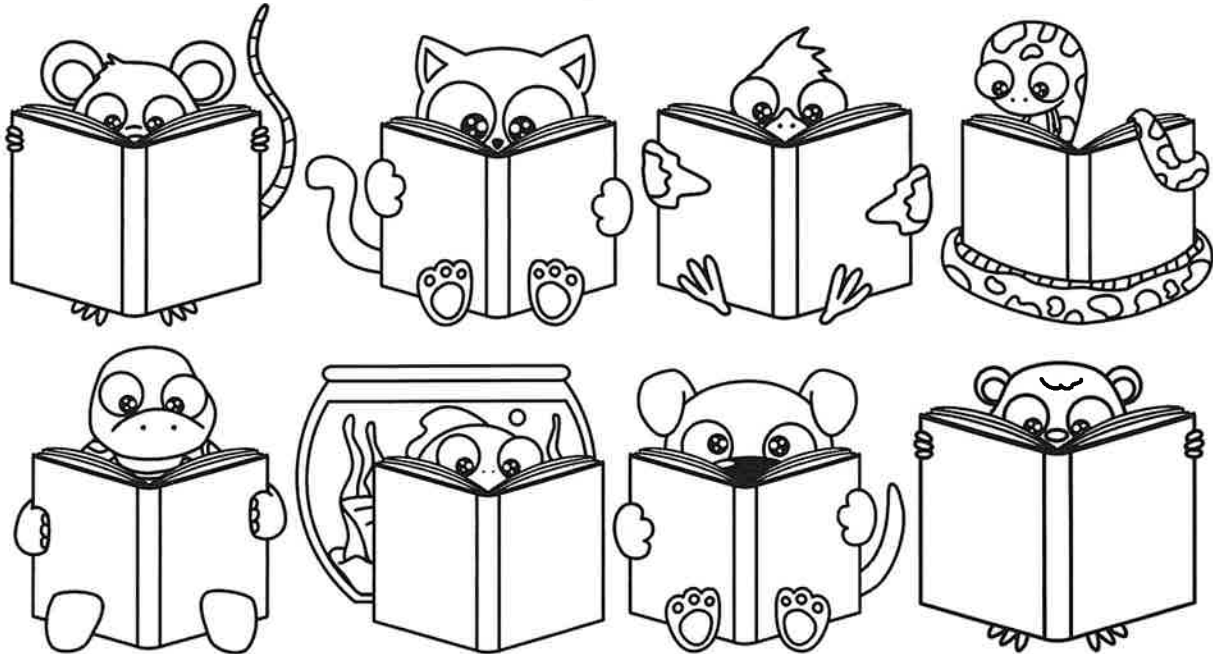
This is your PARP contract! Decorate and draw your face or use a photograph of yourself! Return to your teacher by **Monday, April 13th.**



2026 PARP Reading Log

Wild About Reading!

Color in one animal for each night that you read with your partner.



Hand in to your teacher by April 24, 2026.

Name _____

Teacher/Grade _____



PARP Library Visit

Wild About Reading

Visit the Center Moriches Free Public Library and ask a librarian from the Children's Department to sign this form. Complete the animal scavenger hunt to earn animal badges!

While you are there check out books to read during PARP!



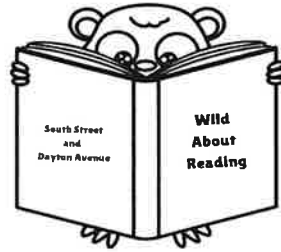
Hand in this form to your teacher by **April 24, 2026** to be entered in a raffle to receive a prize and to help your class earn participation points!

Name _____

Teacher/Grade _____

Librarian Signature _____

PARP READING BINGO



Color in each type of book you've read to get bingo!

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|-------------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------------|
| A book about an animal | A book from the library | Non-fiction book | Read in pajamas | Poetry or a story that rhymes |
| Graphic novel | With a pet or stuffy | Outside on a nice day | Fiction book | Music lyrics |
| A book about migration or a journey | In a cozy space | Free | With a flashlight | Joke book or comic |
| An animal main character | During the weekend | Read a book and then act out a scene | Your favorite book | A book you've never read |
| Read in a robot voice | A fairytale or fable | A book that inspired a movie | An award winning book | A book that is part of a series |

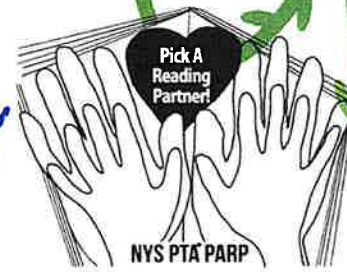
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Partner Reading Tips

- Try and make reading time together distraction-free. Turn off the phone, radio and TV. This is your quality time together. Make the most of it.
- If your child likes a particular book, look for other books by the same author or illustrator. Also, look for books, plays, comics or magazines that correspond with your child's interests.
- Help your children get their own library cards and let them pick out their own books.
- Keep a bag with a few of your child's favorite books and some new stories. Take it wherever you go out, in case you have to wait somewhere.
- When reading out loud with your child, take turns reading paragraphs or sentences. Have your child choose a character from the book and have him/her read that character's lines throughout the book. If your child struggles with a word, tell him/her the word and continue in order to make reading a pleasant experience. Ignore little mistakes to help the story flow.
- Encourage experienced readers to summarize verbally or on paper what they've read. Children should be encouraged to read for entertainment and not just for academics.
- Encourage older children to read to younger children, to other family members, pets and with friends.
- Make a story come alive by using a finger or sock puppet and have the puppet tell the story.
- Read with expression. There are very few children who would rather watch TV than hear a good story read with feeling and enthusiasm by someone they love.
- If a chapter is too long or you don't have time to finish it in one sitting, stop at a suspenseful part so your child can't wait to hear the rest of it.
- If you are reading a picture book, make sure your child can see the pictures.
- Read slowly enough for your child to understand. Most people read aloud too quickly.
- Be patient when working with the child. Many repetitions are often needed for a child to learn a particular skill.
- Ask if your child liked the story. Why or why not? What was the best part?
- When you finish reading together, encourage your child with praise. Remember to be enthusiastic about improvement as well as good work.



SPIRIT WEEK

APRIL 20TH - 24TH

Monday

Bring a "wild" stuffed animal to school! Bring your fiercest, most exotic, or untamed plush friend.

Tuesday

Wild clothes! Embrace the chaos with clashing patterns, colors and styles. The more mismatched and "wild" the better!

Wednesday

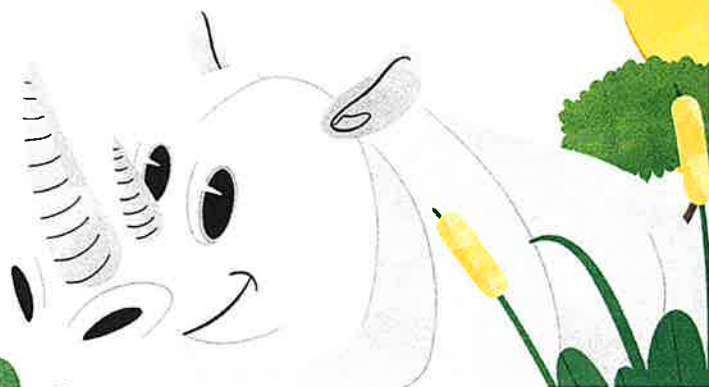
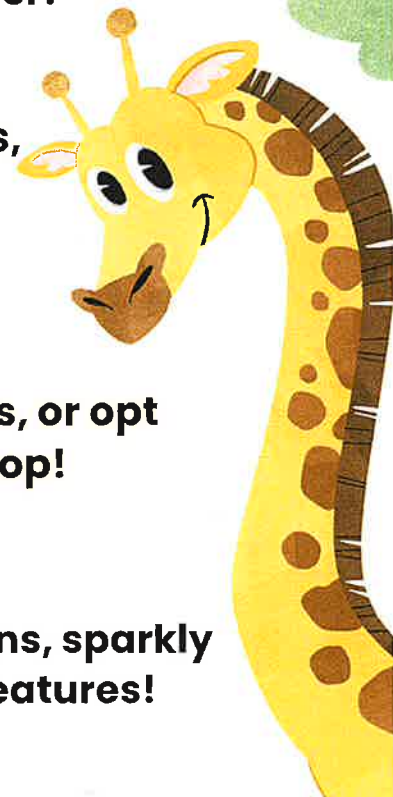
Earth Day inspired! Channel the planet with greens, browns, blues, floral, animal print, or recycled materials!

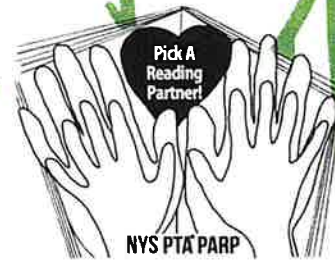
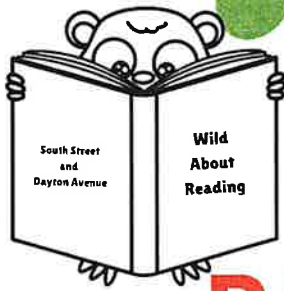
Thursday

Wild hair day! Go bold with color, spikes, accessories, or opt for a hat, which can also be wild and over-the-top!

Friday

Under the sea! Dive into ocean vibes with blues, greens, sparkly scales, mermaid tails, shell accessories, or sea creatures!





PARP PRIZES

Supported by the community and the South Manor PTA

Return your reading log by April 24th!

Prize Info

- Every student receives a color your own bookmark.
- Each student to turn in a reading log earns a prize.
- Each activity completed earns a raffle ticket.
- The class from each grade with most participation earns the grand prize extra recess and icee party.

Raffles

- 4 passes to Waterdrinker Tulip Festival
- 3 passes to The Animal Farm Petting Zoo
- 2 passes to Long Island Game Farm
- 2 passes to Long Island Aquarium
- Starbucks Manorville Mystery Gift + \$25 gift card
- Frog and Toad Storybook Favorites 4 Book Collection and \$25 gift card from Book & Mortar of Mount Sinai
- Gift bag from The Little Nook Bookstore at The Shoppes at East Wind
- Wild About Books by Judy Sierra
- Adopt your own pet (stuffy)

