

# **BELLS MILL READ ACROSS AMERICA WEEK**

## **MARCH 2-6, 2026**

**1**

Help the PTA fundraise for the school by logging Read-a-Thon minutes! (See details on page 2)

**2**

Dress up and read along each day with BMES spirit week and vocabulary parade  
(See schedule on pages 3 and 4)

**3**

Guess the book each morning by listening to clues on the announcements

**4**

Visit the library to enter the create-a-bookmark challenge

**5**

Create a recycled book character to be displayed in the library (See details on page 5)

# BELLS MILL PTA IS HOLDING A READ-A-THON!

## MARCH 2 - MARCH 13, 2026

The Parent Teacher Association (PTA) is excited to bring back our largest fundraiser! Read-a-Thon is more than a fundraiser, it's also a way to get your child excited about reading! Our goal is to raise \$20,000 for the PTA. We chose Read-a-Thon because it will not take much of your time, gives your child a reason to read, and will allow us to provide important enrichments, activities, and resources for our school.

# 1

STEP 1: Register your child! Every child must be opted-in by a parent or guardian to participate. This ensures your child's reading time is tracked at school and at home. Follow the simple instructions at <https://www.read-a-thon.com/readers/r/323738333036/1>

# 2

STEP 2: Start reading on Monday, March 2nd! During Read-a-Thon your child will have fun opportunities to read at school. You can add reading time completed at home, both done independently or minutes read to your child. Have fun as a family and enjoy a good book together! There will also be spirit days and other events! For the class that logs the most reading minutes, each student will receive a Bells Mill-branded spirit item!

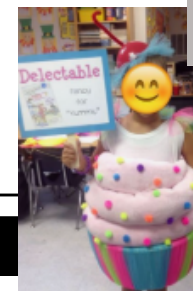
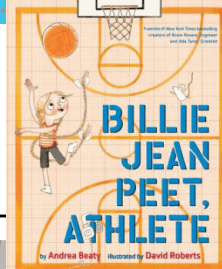
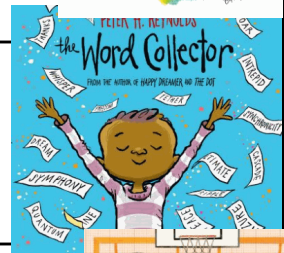
# 3

STEP 3: FUNDRAISE until March 13th! With your help we can reach our fundraising goal of \$20,000. You can share your student's link with friends and family and each child is able to track their own individual fundraising amounts. The class that raises the most money for the PTA by March 13th will win a pizza party!

# READ ACROSS AMERICA SPIRIT WEEK

Monday 3/2	<b>Reading colors our world!</b> Wear your favorite color.
Tuesday 3/3	<b>Words are everywhere!</b> Wear a shirt with a positive message.
Wednesday 3/4	<b>Team up for reading!</b> Wear your favorite sports team shirt or colors.
Thursday 3/5	<b>Cozy up with a good book!</b> Wear comfy clothes to school.
Friday 3/6	<b>Vocabulary Parade!</b> Caregivers are invited! Line up outside at 9:45am!

Eric Carle and Friends  
**What's Your Favorite Color?**



# VOCABULARY PARADE

## FRIDAY, MARCH 6TH

Choose a vocabulary word, a suffix, or a prefix! Be creative! Show the word through in costume. You can even draw a picture of the word and hang it around your neck. Include the word and the definition! How many new words will you learn?

Here are some examples:

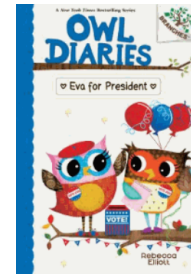
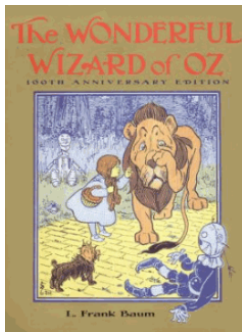
Please send your child in to school wearing their costume. They will change into regular clothes after the parade.



**Need inspiration?**  
**CLICK HERE for attached CKLA domain lists!**

# RECYCLED BOOK CHARACTER CHALLENGE

Decorate a toilet paper tube, plastic bottle or a can as a BOOK character. Be sure to rinse bottles and cans thoroughly. Please put tape over the sharp part of the can. Have fun!



- Bring your tube or can or bottle to be displayed in the Media Center.
- Please bring them in by March 6th.
- Use any materials that are safe and neat for display.
- Use any book character from kids' books.
- Work alone or with friends!