NYM MARCH
READING MADNESS
PARP 2024
Be an All-Star Reader
New York Mills Elementary
Pick A Reading Partner
March 12th – 28th
Sponsored By: NYM PTSO
What is PARP?
PARP is an acronym for Pick a Reading Partner. This is a PTSO sponsored program designed to involve our community in the essential task of fostering a love for reading in children. Learning to read is the single most important activity in a child’s education. The primary objective of PARP is to help children become lifelong readers while having FUN!

Read At Home
PARP encourages students to read at home for 20 minutes per day, at least 5 out of 7 days each week. Our goal is to encourage parents, friends, family, and children to read together. Each day, students will log their reading and have an opportunity to hand in a raffle ticket for a chance at winning prizes or being selected for the Principal’s Challenge.

NYM March Reading Madness...Be An All-Star Reader!
• PARP Kick-Off Assembly on Tuesday, March 12th
• Each student will receive a brand new book to take home
• Spirit Days each week (optional)
• Read daily to be entered into raffles
• Bookmark Making Contest with prizes
• Book Swap
• PARP-arazzi Pictures displayed in the hallway
• Opportunity to earn a child’s admission ticket to Enchanted Forest Water Safari (separate packet)
It’s easy to participate in PARP.

Here are a few guidelines:

1. Read at least 5 days a week with a partner for at least 20 minutes per day.
2. Both the student and the guardian need to sign and return the daily raffle tickets in order to be entered for a chance at winning a variety of prizes or to participate in the Principal’s Challenge.
3. Post the PARP calendar on your refrigerator so that you and your child can keep track of the special activities going on during PARP.
4. If your student wants to earn MVP Status and a ticket to Enchanted Forest Water Safari additional reading can be done throughout the months of March and April! (A separate packet was sent home for this opportunity.)
# PARP 2024 Calendar of Events

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<td><strong>Make a Game Plan</strong>: Look over your PARP packet and select some real “winners” to read this week!</td>
<td><strong>You’ve Been Drafted</strong>: Wear your favorite sport/team t-shirt to school today!</td>
<td><strong>Sock It To Reading</strong>: Wear crazy socks with your sneakers today – you’ll be ready for the big game!</td>
<td><strong>Hats Off to Reading</strong>: Wear your favorite hat to school today!</td>
<td><strong>NO SCHOOL</strong></td>
<td><strong>Slam Dunk</strong>: Go to your local library and you’ll score with loads of books to choose from!</td>
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**Sign and return a raffle ticket for each day that you read!**

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Continue to log your daily reading to earn a ticket to Water Safari – you’ll need a minimum of 6 hours by April 30th!
Enchanted Forest Water Safari and New York Mills Elementary School would like to provide your K-6 grade student with MVP status during our Reading Madness! From **March 12th – April 30th**, in an effort to promote extracurricular reading and literacy, students who **read a minimum of 6 hours outside of school** will earn one (1) free ticket to Enchanted Forest Water Safari, New York’s Largest Water theme park in Old Forge, NY for the 2024 summer season! All parents and students need to do is track time spent reading **at home** by filling out the Water Safari reading logs and turning them in to their classroom teacher to gain credit towards the 6-hour minimum. The eligible reading materials must be non-school-related, and can include picture books, newspapers, magazines, comic books, novels, and nonfiction. **Our NYM MARCH READING MADNESS PARP program will be the kick-off for students’ reading** (but students will have a total of 7 weeks to complete the 6 hours of reading)!