


# Broadalbin-Perth Elementary School



## November 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					<p>1</p> <p>Today marks the first day of Read for Ronald McDonald House Charities! Find a good book and start reading!</p> <p><b>TOTAL Minutes READ</b> <input type="text"/></p>	<p>2</p> <p>Make a list of your hobbies or things you enjoy. Use your list to help find books at the library about your interests.</p> <p><b>TOTAL Minutes READ</b> <input type="text"/></p>
<p>3</p> <p>Do you have a pet? Read an animal story to your pet or your favorite stuffed animal.</p> <p><b>TOTAL Minutes READ</b> <input type="text"/></p>	<p>4</p> <p>Write a story about what you think it would be like to visit another planet for the first time. Read it to a friend.</p> <p><b>TOTAL Minutes READ</b> <input type="text"/></p>	<p>5</p> <p>There's no place like home! Look up a fun fact about your country.</p> <p><b>TOTAL Minutes READ</b> <input type="text"/></p>	<p>6</p> <p><b>***Prize alert***</b></p> <p>Receive a Read for RMHC-CR bracelet tomorrow if your online fundraising page is created.</p> <p><b>TOTAL Minutes READ</b> <input type="text"/></p>	<p>7</p> <p>Books are like cookies, you can't read just one! Find a fun cookie recipe. Follow the recipe to make dessert for your family.</p> <p><b>TOTAL Minutes READ</b> <input type="text"/></p>	<p>8</p> <p>There are many different languages. Learn how to say "please" in another language.</p> <p><b>TOTAL Minutes READ</b> <input type="text"/></p>	<p>9</p> <p>Nature walks let you explore literacy outdoors. Draw a picture of some of the clouds you see and label the types.</p> <p><b>TOTAL Minutes READ</b> <input type="text"/></p>
<p>10</p> <p>Read a book of jokes, then try one out with a friend.</p> <p><b>TOTAL Minutes READ</b> <input type="text"/></p>	<p>11</p> <p>Read a book that was made into a movie. Later, have a family movie night and watch the movie.</p> <p><b>TOTAL Minutes READ</b> <input type="text"/></p>	<p>12</p> <p>Journals are a great way to record your adventures. Write about one of your favorite adventures.</p> <p><b>TOTAL Minutes READ</b> <input type="text"/></p>	<p>13</p> <p>Choose a book to read with a friend or sibling. Take turns reading to each other.</p> <p><b>TOTAL Minutes READ</b> <input type="text"/></p>	<p>14</p> <p>Research what it is to be a Good Samaritan. As you go about your day, practice random acts of kindness.</p> <p><b>TOTAL Minutes READ</b> <input type="text"/></p>	<p>15</p> <p><b>***Prize alert***</b></p> <p>Have at least one donation on your fundraising page to be included in today's Kindle raffle!</p> <p><b>TOTAL Minutes READ</b> <input type="text"/></p>	<p>16</p> <p>Make a list of foods that are red. How many can you think of? What are your top 3 favorite red foods and why?</p> <p><b>TOTAL Minutes READ</b> <input type="text"/></p>
<p>17</p> <p>Get a good night's rest by starting with a bedtime story.</p> <p><b>TOTAL Minutes READ</b> <input type="text"/></p>	<p>18</p> <p>Create a story where you are the main character. Share it with your family.</p> <p><b>TOTAL Minutes READ</b> <input type="text"/></p>	<p>19</p> <p>Write a letter to your mom or dad and put it on her/his pillow.</p> <p><b>TOTAL Minutes READ</b> <input type="text"/></p>	<p>20</p> <p>Winter is in the air! Read about fun winter activities today.</p> <p><b>TOTAL Minutes READ</b> <input type="text"/></p>	<p>21</p> <p>How many types of transportation have you used? Choose one to read about.</p> <p><b>TOTAL Minutes READ</b> <input type="text"/></p>	<p>22</p> <p>Read a new book. Write about what you enjoyed about the book.</p> <p><b>TOTAL Minutes READ</b> <input type="text"/></p>	<p>23</p> <p>Start a Family Book Club. Choose a book to read together as a family and discuss.</p> <p><b>TOTAL Minutes READ</b> <input type="text"/></p>
<p>24</p> <p>Write a true story about when you met one of your friends. Read the story to your friend.</p> <p><b>TOTAL Minutes READ</b> <input type="text"/></p>	<p>25</p> <p>Book Swap! Swap a book with a friend. Be sure to share if you liked each other's pick.</p> <p><b>TOTAL Minutes READ</b> <input type="text"/></p>	<p>26</p> <p>What are your favorite things about yourself, write a list of all the things that make you unique and special.</p> <p><b>TOTAL Minutes READ</b> <input type="text"/></p>	<p>27</p> <p>Grab a snack, your favorite book and head outside to read!</p> <p><b>TOTAL Minutes READ</b> <input type="text"/></p>	<p>28</p> <p>Happy Thanksgiving! Read a book about Thanksgiving to someone you are spending the holiday with.</p> <p><b>TOTAL Minutes READ</b> <input type="text"/></p>	<p>29</p> <p>Read about your favorite animal. What is the funniest thing you learned?</p> <p><b>TOTAL Minutes READ</b> <input type="text"/></p>	<p>30</p> <p>Today is your last Read for RMHC Day! Go to the library to find a new book, and keep up the great job reading!</p> <p><b>TOTAL Minutes READ</b> <input type="text"/></p>

Welcome to the **2024-2025 Read for Ronald McDonald House Charities® of the Capital Region Program** (Read for RMHC-CR)! **Read for RMHC-CR** is a reading-based community service program that benefits your child, their school, and the families served by RMHC-CR. Combining reading with community service, enables students to take an active role in helping other children, while also developing their own reading skills. Read for RMHC-CR participants use their reading to earn donations to support children who are struggling with serious illnesses and injuries. Our readers are empowered by the difference they make in the lives of others as they experience firsthand how their efforts impact kids just like them! We are thrilled to invite you to join us to help make a difference in the lives of families that need us.

**READ for RMHC-CR** supports the services that RMHC-CR provides for children and families in our community. Our Ronald McDonald House® provides a home away from home for families of seriously ill children, keeping them together while their child receives treatment. We offer a supportive home environment including private guest rooms, home cooked meals, transportation to and from the hospital, children's play areas, and a host of other services designed to allow families to focus on their child's health during their stay with us. Our Ronald McDonald Family Room® provides respite and support to families within the Bernard & Millie Duker Children's Hospital at Albany Med. Our Ronald McDonald Family Retreat provides a peaceful, supportive setting where families experiencing serious childhood illness can enjoy being together, making lasting memories.

We would love for you to join us and participate in our **READ for Ronald McDonald House Charities® of the Capital Region Program** to see the amazing difference we can make in the lives of children and families when we work together. If you have any questions, please contact me at **518-438-2655** or email **ndamato@rmhcofbany.org**. Learn more about RMHC-CR by visiting **www.rmhcofbany.org**. Thank you for considering this worthwhile program. We look forward to your child's participation.

Sincerely,

Nancy Damato

Read for RMHC-CR Program Director



#### How the program works—here is what you do!

- **Create your online fundraising page** to share with your sponsors! If created by day 7, you will win a Read for RMHC-CR bracelet! You can also track your sponsors on your sponsor form.
- **Students - ask family and friends to sponsor your reading for the month** (either a flat amount for all reading accomplished during the month, or a specific amount of money pledged per minute read during the month).
- Visit your school's team page to find informational videos, student materials, create an online fundraising webpage, to see how your team is doing and more! <https://give.rmhcofbany.org/Broadalbin-Perth2025>

#### When your reading month begins:

- On **November 1**, students start reading. You may keep a record of your minutes spent reading on your reading calendar. Minutes can be entered in the calendar electronically and saved on the computer or you may print the calendar to write in minutes. Minutes when others read to you count too, so be sure to count them! Readers are welcome to listen to stories from our Read for RMHC Video Story Library too! Take a look here: [www.rmhcofbany.org/readresources](http://www.rmhcofbany.org/readresources).

#### After your reading month has ended:

- **Gather your donations either online or return them to school by** the deadline set by the school - **December 5th**. Reading calendars do not need to be returned to RMHC. Please return cash or check donations with a completed sponsor form. Students with online donations only do not need to turn in sponsor forms.
- All student participants receive a personalized participation certificate.
- Students who read and raise donations receive Read for RMHC-CR prizes and an invitation to tour RMHC.
- Congratulate yourself on a job well done helping kids just like you!

#### 2024-2025 Program Prizes!

The following prizes are available for 2024-2025 Read for RMHC-CR participating students and schools:

**RMHC 2025 5K Family Fun Day** - child admission free with paid adult admission for each student who reads and earns donations for RMHC-CR.

**Read for RMHC-CR water bottle sticker** - awarded to every student who reads and earns \$10 or more in donations for RMHC-CR.

**Read for RMHC-CR drawstring backpack** - awarded to every student who reads and earns \$100 or more in donations for RMHC-CR.

**Tri-City Valley Cats** - two 4-packs of tickets to the Valley Cats games will be donated to each participating school

**Apex Entertainment** - one free attraction coupon (for laser tag, bumper cars or Hologate) for each student who reads and earns donations for RMHC-CR.

**BJ's Restaurant & Brewhouse** - one free kids meal for each student who reads and earns donations for RMHC-CR.

**Spare Time Entertainment** - buy one game of bowling, get one free (shoe rental not included) and \$3 off laser tag for every student who reads and earns donations for RMHC-CR.

**University at Albany - Child basketball/football/lacrosse tickets** - 5 child admission free with paid adult admission tickets to each of the following will be provided to each school - UAlbany men's and women's basketball games, UAlbany football and men's lacrosse games.

#### Prizes for the 5 top earning schools and for the school with the highest student participation:

**Grand Prize Bag** - The 5 schools that earn the most in donations and the 1 school with the highest student participation will receive prize bags including: two **Six Flags Great Escape** Amusement Park day passes, two 4-packs of tickets to a **Tri-City Valley Cats** game, a 4 pack of tickets in the designated RMHC seating section for all of the following: men's and women's basketball, football and men's lacrosse games - **University at Albany**, 4 \$50 gift cards good for any attraction at **Apex Entertainment** and select memorabilia from **RMHC-CR**.

#### Grand Prizes for the school earning the most in donations:

**Apex Entertainment - 2 hour exclusive party** - Apex Entertainment's Albany location will be reserved for a two hour exclusive party for the winning school. Party will include access to all of the Apex attractions at the Albany location (bowling, candlepin, laser tag, bumper cars, Hologate, arcade games, sports simulators, escape rooms)

**Albany Broadcasting - 1 hour dance party** - Albany Broadcasting will provide a 1 hour dance party with a DJ to be held at the winning school.

#### Grand Prizes for the school with the highest level of participation:

**Albany Broadcasting - 1 hour dance party** - Albany Broadcasting will provide a 1 hour dance party with a DJ to be held at the winning school.

**Stewart's Shops - Ice Cream Party (for up to 100 students)** - Stewart's Shops will provide ice cream and toppings for up to 100 students from the winning school.

**Drawing for 5 Kindle Fire Tablets** - Students who read and earn donations will be entered into a raffle for a chance to win a Kindle Fire tablet during their reading month. Winners will be drawn from the list of students who have donations on their online fundraising page by the 15th of the month. See your Read calendar for the exact date of the raffle.

*Our heartfelt thanks to our generous sponsors for providing these wonderful prizes!*

