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Dear Baylis Community,

Happy New Year! There is no better way to kick off a new year at Baylis than with READING! Next week, January 8th through 12th, the Baylis PTA, faculty and students are teaming up to celebrate the importance of literacy with **PARP: Pick** A Reading Partner.

Did you know that:

- According to the Department of Education, when students read or are read to for fun on their own time and at home, their reading scores are generally higher.
- Children who are read to at least three times a week by a family member are <u>almost twice as likely to score in the top 25%</u> in reading compared to children who are read to less than 3 times per week. This can be in other languages other than English.

To support the literacy of the Baylis Elementary community, we have planned some very exciting activities for next week. Our theme this year is "Starbooks", like "Starbooks" but think about books. Here are the daily school-wide activities.

Date	Activity
Monday, 1/8	First, we will start the week with an Author Illustrator visit with Stephanie Sorkin. All students will attend a grade level assembly where Ms. Sorkin will discuss her books which all have a component of "giving back" to the community.
	Second, we are "brewing" up some Baylis Spirit and all staff and students are invited to wear Baylis themed clothing.
	Lastly, encourage your child to color, decorate, cut-out and return your Kindness Cup to the classroom teacher which will be displayed in the front lobby and earn them a raffle ticket for a chance to win a prize.
Tuesday, 1/9	Let's "Go Loco for Cocoa". Students and staff are invited to wear their clothes backwards or inside out.
	Last day to send in your Kindness Cup and earn a raffle ticket!
Wednesday, 1/10	Let's get ready for the Pajama Cafe. Wear your PJs to school and then come as a family to PARP PJ Family Reading Night from 6:00 – 7:00 pm in the Baylis Gym. All participating students, staff and family are encouraged to donate a gently used book to the Book Fairies. Each student that donates a book will receive an additional raffle ticket.
Thursday, 1/11	Espresso Yourself! Its Crazy Hair Day! Express your hair style as your wish!
Friday, 1/12	It's Latte Day! Wear a Latte different colors! Each grade level will showcase a color! See the attached flyer for details.
	Finally, today is the day to submit the Starbooks Loyalty Card to your child's teacher and earn a raffle ticket.

I encourage you and your children to participate and join the fun!

Sincerely,

Clary Kang

Clara Y. Kang, Principal

IT'S PICK A READING PARTNER (PARP) WEEK AT BAYLIS!



JANUARY 8- JANUARY 12 LET'S GET IN THE READING SPIRIT!

WELCOME TO "STARBOOKS"! TIME TO SHOW "VENTI" OF SCHOOL SPIRIT! WE WILL BE HAVING A DRESS UP SPIRIT WEEK AND CONTEST. SEE BELOW FOR DETAILS!

PARP WEEK DRESS UP SCHEDULE:

MONDAY, 1/8: BREW UP SOME BAYLIS SPIRIT!

PRESS TO SUPPORT OUR WONDERFUL SCHOOL! GO BENGALS! TUESPAY, 1/9: GO LOCO FOR COCOA!

WEAR YOUR CLOTHING BACKWARDS OR INSIDE OUT!
WEDNESDAY, 1/10: GET READY FOR THE PAJAMA CAFE!

PRESS IN YOUR COZIEST PAJAMAS FOR SCHOOL & PARP PAJAMA NIGHT TONIGHT!
THURSDAY, 1/1 1: ESPRESSO YOURSELF!

CRAZY HAIR DAY! "ESPRESSO" YOURSELF WITH A CRAZY HAIR 'DO! FRIDAY, 1/12: WEAR A LATTE DIFFERENT COLORS!

PRESS THE RAINBOW! 5TH GRADE- RED, 4TH GRADE- ORANGE, 3RD GRADE-YELLOW, 2ND GRADE- GREEN, 1ST GRADE- BLUE, KINDERGARTEN- PURPLE PARP WEEK CONTESTS:

CONTEST 1: SUBMIT YOUR KINDNESS CUP BY TUESDAY, 1/9!

CONTEST 2: SUBMIT YOUR STARBOOKS LOYALTY CARD ON FRIDAY, 1/12!

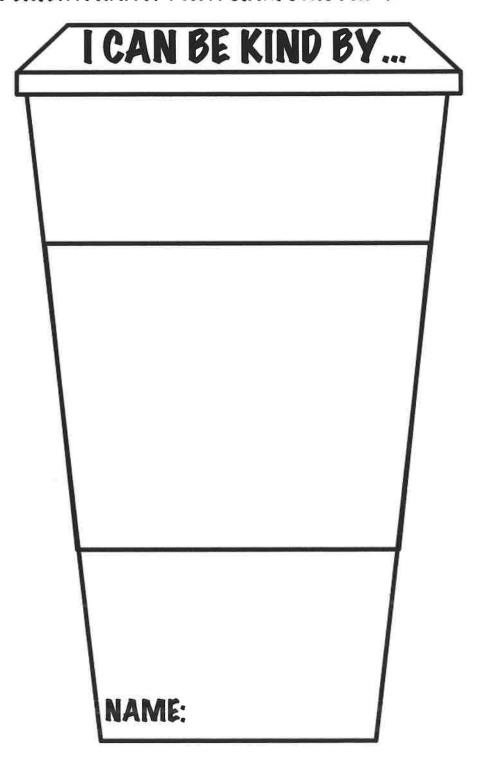
KINDNESS CUP AND LOYALTY CARD SUBMISSIONS WILL EACH RECEIVE 1 RAFFLE ENTRY. WINNERS WILL BE DRAWN DURING MORNING ANNOUNCEMENTS.
STARBUCKS PRIZES WILL BE AWARDED!

QUESTIONS? CONTACT JAMIE LUND OR LISA ORGEL BAYLISPARP@GMAIL.COM

A CUP OF GOOD CHEER FOR THE NEW YEAR!

FILL A CUP WITH KINDNESS! SHOW YOUR COLORFUL CREATIVITY BY DECORATING THE CUP BELOW AND SHARING WAYS WE CAN BE KIND! CUT

OUT THE CUP AND RETURN TO YOUR TEACHER BY TUESDAY, JANUARY 9TH IN ORDER TO ENTER A RAFFLE FOR A STARBUCKS PRIZE!



THE BAYLIS PTA BRINGS YOU A

PAJAMA PARP NIGHT

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 10TH 6-7 PM

COME TO SCHOOL IN PAJAMAS, BRING A FAVORITE BLANKET AND STUFFED ANIMAL AND HEAR STORIES READ BY PARENTS AND STAFF!

PLEASE BRING A BOOK TO DONATE TO BOOK FAIRIES AND RECEIVE A RAFFLE TICKET FOR A STARBUCKS PRIZE!!



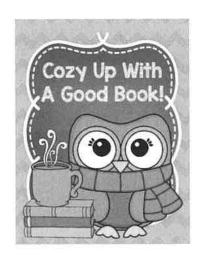
MILK AND COOKIES WILL BE SERVED!
-RSVP REQUIRED-



REPLY & VOLUNTEER TO READ ON THE GOOGLE DOC!

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PARP WEEK READING CONTEST

COLOR IN A STAR FOR EACH DAY YOU READ AT LEAST THE SUGGESTED READING AMOUNT FOR YOUR GRADE (SEE TABLE BELOW). TURN IN YOUR LOYALTY CARD TO YOUR TEACHER BY FRIDAY, JANUARY 12TH TO ENTER A RAFFLE FOR A STARBUCKS PRIZE!





KINDERGARTEN	10 MINUTES
FIRST GRAPE	15 MINUTES
SECOND GRADE	20 MINUTES
THIRD GRADE	25 MINUTES
FOURTH GRAPE	30 MINUTES
FIFTH GRADE	30 MINUTES

