

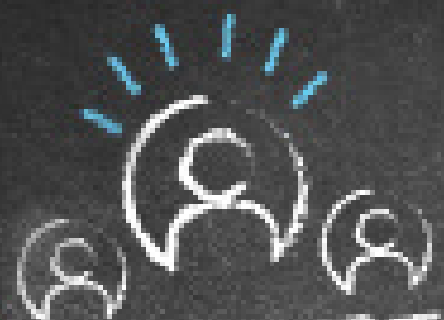


Quick Start Guide



Supporting schools one book at a time.

CREATE
YOUR PROFILE!



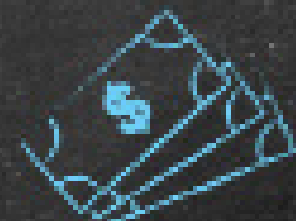
SHARE
YOUR
STORY!



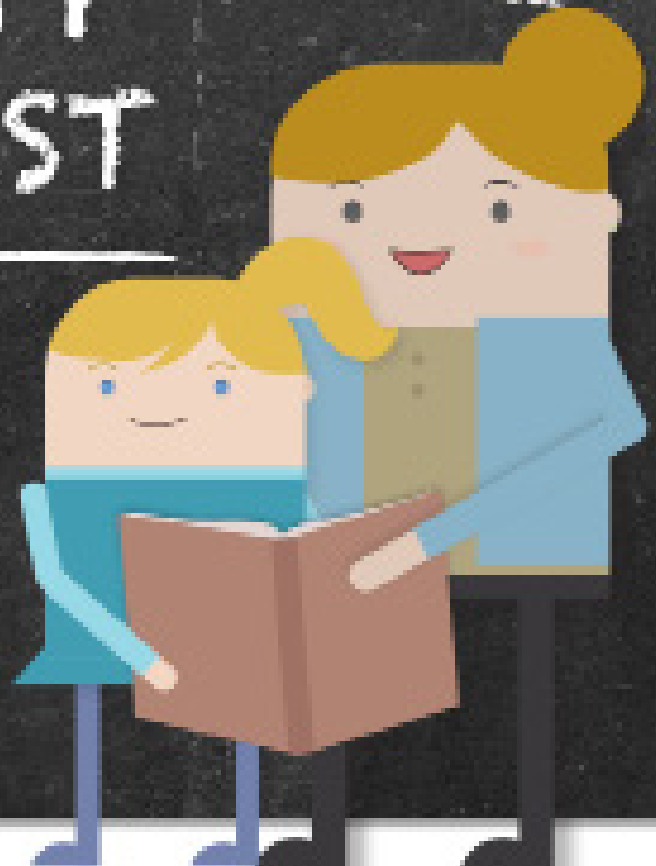
PARENT TO-DO LIST



START
READING!



START
FUNDRAISING!



START READING

Take some time to pick up some great books and start tracking your reading sessions daily on the RFMS app!



I read with my friends!

I read my 20 minutes!

I've read 10 books so far!

Cool tip!

Fill up your personal bookshelf with all of the books you would like to read before you start tracking your reading minutes.

START FUNDRAISING

Reach out to friends and family to share your child's personal donation page to raise donations for your school fundraiser!



Did you know that the average Facebook user has over 300 + friends? Sounds like a great place to spread the word to generate donation support!

Cool tip!

TIPS ON RAISING A Healthy Reader!

Books, Books, Books!



Visit your local library, bookstore, and buy books as gifts so that your child understands how much you value books. Have special places for the books in your home that invite reading such as bookshelves, nightstands, and book baskets near a cozy chair or couch. Consider making a book nook in your child's bedroom with good lighting, pillows, a basket of their current favorites. Add sticky notes and a dictionary to mark challenging words for your child.



Make time to READ!

While we all have hectic schedules as parents, make time in your busy day and create daily rituals that work for your family schedule. Make family reading time a priority. Encourage your child to have books on hand to read “on the go” as you carpool, go to appointments, or have down time in your day. Reading independently, reading with a partner, or listening to a parent read aloud all promote essential reading skills.

TIPS ON RAISING A Healthy Reader!



Model Good Reading Habits

Reading books, magazines, recipes, blogs, or newspapers in front of your child sends a powerful message to your child. If you are excited about reading and openly engage your child with good reading habits, your child is likely to share your enthusiasm and follow your lead.



Find ways to encourage your child to continue to read. Expose them to different genres of books. Some kids prefer non-fiction while some only love fantasy. Your child may be more excited by a graphic novel rather than a traditional chapter book. Give lots of options or encourage your child to find a favorite author, series, or genre that naturally sparks your child's interest.



TIPS ON RAISING A Healthy Reader!

Choose "Good Fit" Books

A good fit book is an important part of developing independent reading skills, confidence, and fluency. Find a "good fit" book by having your child read the first page in the book aloud. If there are more than five words they cannot pronounce or understand in context, it may not be

a "good fit" book. Try this exercise before choosing a book at the library or bookstore to encourage your child to choose books they can read independently.



Read Aloud!

Read aloud to your child everyday. Have fun with voices and make the book come alive for your child. Have your child read and re-read favorite books aloud to siblings, grandparents, and friends to develop confidence and fluency. Try using digital apps that allow face to face interaction to encourage reading aloud. Tools such as Facetime and Skype allow your child to connect and read aloud to family and friends that live near and far.



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