MILLMONT ELEMENTARY April Halligan-Rostek-Principal

Here are some pictures from our 1st R.I.F distribution on Friday, February 8th at Millmont Elementary. Our theme was "Cozy up with a good book". I promoted our theme to students and parents by having students write about how they like to cozy up with a book. They brought small blankets and stuffed animals to school so that they could read their new books in comfort.



12TH AND MARION ELEMENTARY Robinette Armstrong – Principal

The 1st grade students love seeing the Wizard visit their school.

I love how students were showing the Reading Wizard their new books.

The students love the books and experience.

Thank you so much for bringing the RIF program to 12th and Marion.



AMANDA STOUT Kyle Crater- Principal

Lasso a Good Book!

The students dressed as cowboys/cowgirls. The teachers purchased bandannas for the students.



LAUER'S PARK ELEMENTARY Gordon Hoodak – Principal

The students LOVED the books and so did the parents! Thank you so much for everything! We truly appreciate the books generously donated by UGI!



NORTHWEST AREA ELEMENTARY Jennifer Bertolet – Principal

Thank you so much for our high-interest book collection for our First Grade classrooms. The opportunity of choosing a book of choice was so gratifying to experience. Know that you have made a tremendous impact on the literacy lives of the students at Northwest Area Elementary.



10TH AND PENN ELEMENTARY ROWBEE'C KASISKY - Principal

First grade students at 10th & Penn Elementary were thrilled to be receiving books that they could keep as their own. The Reading Is Fundamental initiative has become a pillar in the school's literacy program. Not only does it promote literacy and lifelong reading habits, but also it gives our students the gift of a book that they may keep as their own – something that they rarely receive. Thank you, Reading Is Fundamental and UGI, for providing our first grade students with the opportunity to grow as a reader.



10TH AND GREEN ELEMENTARY SUSAN LOZADA - Principal

Our RIF book celebration was held on Tuesday, April 16, 2019. The Reading Wizard was the special guest of honor. The classroom teachers and the Reading Wizard read aloud *The Story of the Reading Wizard* to promote the joy of reading and the importance of books. The Reading Wizard gave all of the students Reading Wizard coloring books to take home. To keep with the theme of the day, students transformed themselves into reading wizards by decorating their shirts with glitter stars, and making wands. The students used their wands to read their sight word spell books to the Reading Wizard. Students selected RIF books based on their favorite genre. After the students selected their books, they were given time to read their books independently or with a partner. A wonderful time was had by all. The students enjoyed spending time with the Reading Wizard and loved their new books!



13th AND UNION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL MARGARET BROWN- Principal

The kids loved the Reading Wizard. The Wizard had the students' attention throughout the program. The UGI employees that volunteered at all our distributions were wonderful! They interacted really well with our children. Our students were excited and looked forward to the RIF distribution dates throughout the school year! Thank you!!



13TH AND GREEN ELEMENTARY KEVIN COLLINS - Principal

On Friday, May 24 the first grade students at 13th & Green played Book Bingo as a culminating activity for RIF. They had a great time playing bingo in the gym and they were excited to pick books for prizes. They kept saying "Is this book mine to keep forever? Wow!!" Afterward, all students picked a book to take home with them. Attached are some pictures of students playing bingo.



TYSON SCHOENER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL Salvador Sepulveda – Principal

This school year we had three RIF distributions at Tyson-Schoener. RIF is an important part of our school year in first grade. RIF provides a wonderful selection of books for the students to choose from to call their very own. They get excited to see the array of books they can chose from, the opportunity to make a special selection for themselves, and to hear a volunteer reader. The volunteers come to read to the students and present the books to them with a special nameplate inside the front cover. The volunteers represent a caring, adult community member encouraging the importance of reading as a life-long skill for learning and enjoyment. Our last RIF distribution was held in the gym with all four first grade classes together and an appearance by the Wizard. It is a joy to watch the children's faces light up when they see him! The children had an opportunity to interact with the Wizard by shaking hands, giving high-fives, and hugging him. RIF is a special experience the students carry with them for a long time as well as receive a special book that they get to choose and keep to call their own.





RIVERSIDE ELEMENTARY Kimberly Birts – Principal

Riverside first graders enjoyed another year of RIF books! Students got to self-select books that interested them. After making their book choices, they didn't waste any time, and started reading immediately! The joy these books bring to the students is a memory they will have for a long time! Students further used these books during center time during Read to Self and Read to Someone as well as our special "Flashlight Friday" time! We cannot thank you enough for this wonderful experience!!!



16th AND HAAK ELEMENTARY Traci Webb- Principal

Due to circumstances, RIF was later in the school year. 5 classes of 1st graders, 125 students chose 3 books each. Also included in the event was the Reading Public Library who presented a Power Point on their Summer Reading Programs to first grade and then the other students. Everyone was given informational fliers about the Summer Reading Program.

