# **READ-A-THON FUNDRAISER**

You can help read our way to a new playground! All students of Gateway Christian School are invited to participate in a read-a-thon for the month of February. Each child is encouraged to make a plan and get reading, even if he/she chooses to not seek out sponsorship.

#### Step One: Make a goal!

Decide how many hours or pages you feel you are able to read during the month of February. This will help you stay on track, but also give your sponsors an idea of how much to pledge you. Different grade levels will have different goals due to our different ability levels.

Kindergarten: How many hours can you be read to?

Grade 1-2: How many pages can you read? Grade 3-12: How many hours can you read?

## Step Two: Get Sponsored!

If you choose to ask for donations, take your sponsor page to friends, family, neighbours, etc. Don't forget to explain to them what you are doing and why you are doing it! Not only are we raising money for a playground, but we are seeking encouragement to become better readers! Let them know when you will be back to collect. You will find an introduction letter and a sponsor information sheet attached.

### Step Three: Start reading!

Each time you read, mark down how many pages/minutes you spent doing so. You may count reading you do in class or at home. Have a parent or teacher sign off on the pages/minutes you log.

# Step Four: Total your reading and collect!

At the end of the month, total up how much reading you did. If you chose to get sponsored, collect the money owed and hand it back into the school. All reading sheets (and donations, if applicable) must be handed into your teacher by March 8<sup>th</sup> in order to be eligible for our read-a-thon prizes.

#### **Prizes:**

ALL STUDENTS that participate will be eligible for a prize. Prizes will be awarded for the following:

Kindergarten: most hours being read to

Grade 1-2: most pages read Grade 3-5: most hours read Grade 6-12: most hours read

ONE MYSTERY PRIZE! (you'll have to read lots to have a chance at this one)

Winners will be announced Monday, March 12<sup>th</sup>!

If you have questions about the reading aspect of this event, please address them to your teacher. If you have any questions or concerns regarding the fundraising aspect of the read-a-thon, they can be directed to:

Julia Price – Playground Fundraising Committee mailfromjulia@gmail.com 403-352-2566

HAPPY READING!!!



You are being asked to sponsor this student for participation in a school wide READ-A-THON. We are asking if you would be willing to pledge a monetary amount you feel is reasonable for each hour or page the student reads. (The requirements are different for different grade levels). The read-a-thon will last for the month of February. The child you sponsor will need to collect all donations and have them into the school by March 8<sup>th</sup>.

All of the proceeds raised from this event will go toward the playground build, which we hope to see happen as early as fall, 2018. All cheques can be made out to Gateway Christian School. If you wish to receive a tax receipt for donations over \$20, please include the necessary information at the time of your donation (name, address & postal code).

Participating students, whether financially sponsored or not, will have a chance to win prizes for their reading efforts.

We thank you for your sponsorship and for your support.

Kimberly White and Julia Price Gateway Christian School Playground Fundraising Committee. t