

Looking for Ideas to PARP VIRTUALLY??

- How about a Virtual read a thon?
- Or a contest with entries being creative photos reading with family and random drawings
- PARP Parade - hand out books as they drive by
- Read to Them reads a book live daily at 1pm on Instagram!
- Our local library reads a story on Facebook Live!
- Google docs to track minutes read
- APPS like RIF Reading Log
- Scholastic Virtual Book Fair
- Special little free libraries and a scavenger hunt to find them in your area?
- One of the elementary schools pops popcorn for all the classrooms and the class sits and listens to a book read virtually
- Have a GRAND Event "Virtually"!! Get your "G"randparents, "R"elatives, "N"eighbors, "D"ependable Caregivers and do a virtual night where families can share pics/videos of their kids reading! Have your kids read over facebook messenger to their "GRANDS" and make their day!
- DEAR time at home (Drop Everything and Read) and/or during school at the SAME time!
- MODEL! It is so important for your kids to see you reading, it is really encouraging to them!
- Encourage families to get back to the basics and not make activities feel like more work, reading should be fun, not work!
- All it takes is reading 20 minutes a day to not be concerned about a drop in reading levels during these strange times
- Start a virtual book club times/schedule for certain grades
- Our elementary school has started a social justice book club every Wednesday through December. Wednesday's are flex days in the school. Each week a different reader presents a different book.
- Ask your librarian or your literacy specialist (or even your students) to create 30 second booktalks of hot new books!

- How about a grab and go craft that is related to a read aloud. Work with your library to have supplies available upfront at the library! Have a virtual read aloud and virtual craft demonstration!
 - What about a grab and go craft idea for a family reading/book/movie "marathon" around the Holidays? Better read the book first and then watch the movie from your library's streaming service and do a craft!
 - A large number of publishers still have relaxed their permissions to allow for online story-telling and such, as long as you give proper credit to author and publisher, etc...
 - What about virtual read-alongs local celebrities, PTA members that can be used to also promote PARP?
 - Online Reading by a local "celebrity", police officer, fireman, council person, and someone in the community who would want to read a story
 - A combination of a committee, each reading a few pages of the SAME book (or maybe WITH family members?) that can be edited together (with the help of a film student I happen to have in my house!) as your PARP promo
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- <https://www.biblionasium.com/#tab/content-fall-picks>
 - <https://mindgrowtheducation.com/>
 - <https://www.reading-rewards.com/>
 - <https://communitycarecollege.edu/news/5-apps-track-summer-reading/>
 - <https://www.pinterest.com/neillcharissa/reading-rewards/>

Most of all, HAVE FUN!

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