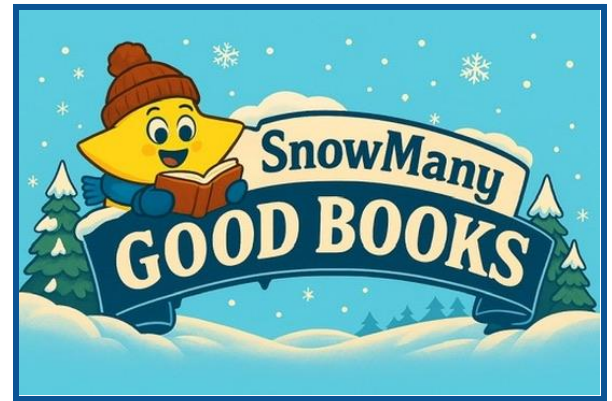


BELLMORE ELEMENTARY PTA

Winthrop Avenue School

2026 PARP Pick A Reading Partner



Dear Winthrop Families,

The Bellmore Elementary PTA proudly brings you “**Pick A Reading Partner**”. **PARP** is a New York State PTA program, which began in 1987. It is a collaborative effort for parents, staff and the community to build a reading partnership between home and school. The **PARP** program encourages children to pick a reading partner each day (parent, sibling, pet, etc.).

Please join us for a “***Snow Many Good Books***” themed **PARP** program starting Wednesday, January 7, 2026. We ask that families complete and return the attached reading contract. Students will receive recognition for time spent reading by handing in their weekly minutes. Each week the total minutes read will be announced on the morning announcements and posted so all of our students can see the school’s reading progress. **This year, the 3rd grade class and 4th grade class with the MOST participation will receive a Special Surprise!!!**

Our goal is ***100% participation from each student***. If we can achieve this, the Winthrop Avenue students will be in for a treat at the Principal’s Challenge!!!

LOOKING AHEAD:

- **Students will enjoy read-alouds from JFK students, an assembly from local author Jen Calonita and MORE!**
- **And don’t forget to join us at our LITERACY EVENT including a book fair, crafts, snacks and BINGO on Friday, January 30th to celebrate the end of PARP! *More details to come.***



Sincerely,

The Parp Patrol



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PARP

Pick A Reading Partner - 2026



Together with our children, we pledge to engage in a reading activity at least 5 days per week, for a minimum of 15 minutes per day. Reading can include, but is not limited to sharing a book, reading a news article, following a recipe, or playing a board game with written instructions.

*****Please note that this does not include the district required 20 minutes of reading each day.*****

Please sign this pledge, return it to school by Monday, January 12, 2026 and start recording your minutes!

Sincerely,
The PARP Patrol

2026 PARP PLEDGE

Please sign and return by January 12, 2026

I, _____ pledge to read 15 minutes or more per day.

Student Signature: _____

Student Teacher: _____ Grade: _____

Parent/Guardian's Signature: _____

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PARP MINUTES

DON'T FORGET TO SEND IN YOUR MINUTES!

Add up your minutes from each week and submit them to your teacher by cutting the image.
Please submit them on 1/16 (week 1), 1/23 (week 2), 1/30 (week 3).



Winthrop Avenue PARP Week 3 (Submit 1/30)

NAME: _____

TEACHER: _____

MINUTES: _____



Winthrop Avenue PARP Week 2 (Submit 1/23)

NAME: _____

TEACHER: _____

MINUTES: _____



Winthrop Avenue PARP Week 1 (Submit 1/16)

NAME: _____

TEACHER: _____

MINUTES: _____