KCPS Loves To Read

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November Family Guide



Kindness

Being compassionate toward others;
expressing tenderness that has an impact, near and far

Reading Challenge

Pre K–6th Grade: Read at least 15 minutes each day.

7th–12th Grade: Set aside independent reading time each day and reflect on examples of kindness found in your reading.

Literacy Tips

Questions to ask while reading:

Who showed kindness in the story?
How did a kind act help solve a problem?
How do the characters treat one another?
What would you do in a similar situation?
How did the character's actions affect others?

At Home Literacy Activities

Kindness Bookmark

Have your student design a bookmark with encouraging messages such as:

- You Can Do Hard Things
- Keep Reading!

Kindness Challenge Jar

Write simple acts of kindness on slips of paper and place them in a jar. Family members can draw one each day, such as:

- Read with a younger sibling.
- Write a thank-you note.
- Help someone complete a task.
- Share a favorite book recommendation.



Elementary (K–6)

Be Kind by Pat Zietlow Miller

The One and Only Ivan by Katherine Applegate

Last Stop on Market Street by Matt de la Peña

Secondary (7–12)

Wonder by R.J. Palacio

New Kid by Jerry Craft

The Crossover by Kwame Alexander