

Staff and students at Rock Lake Colony School did a LOT of reading in February for I Love to Read month! We had DEAR time (Drop Everything And Read) for fifteen minutes each school day in February where everyone in the school got to enjoy some time with a book. The Early Years class have a Battle of the Books challenge on the go – they started with sixteen books that went ‘head to head’ in pairs with students voting for their favourites. They will eventually narrow it down to one 2018 Book of the Year! In Middle Years, students set page goals for how much reading they wanted to accomplish over the month, both at home and at school. They really got into it! High school students also took a break from all their exams and work and enjoyed some free reading time. Besides getting to enjoy some fantastic reading time, students also have earned some new books for the school library by reaching goals and participating with enthusiasm! We will be ‘shopping’ out of the Scholastic flyers and Living Waters catalog in March.

One of our favourite parts of I Love to Read Month is having guest readers visit our school. We would like to thank Mrs. Ladyka, Grace and her guinea pigs, Ms. Smolders, Mrs. Coolidge, Mrs. Olson, Ms. Masiuk, Mrs. Crockatt, Mr. Moran, and Mrs. Fairlie for sharing their time and some terrific stories with us!



We would also like to thank the colony ladies for another great Social Justice Day! The school was a bustling place on February 1, and many less fortunate women in Africa will appreciate the fruits of those labours. We are grateful for all the help from Mrs. Hauser, who came out from Winnipeg to teach the ladies how to make hygiene kits, and also supplied the necessary materials. Having a pizza lunch at school was also lots of fun – a treat that the children look forward to every year!



Early Years students celebrated 100 Day on February 22. Ms. Tomyk and her class dressed up like they were 100 years old! Ms. Masniuk was visiting that morning and also got into the spirit. Students brought canes and put baby powder in their hair so they looked like grandmas and grandpas. Fun was had by all!

