



SUPPORT LITERACY

<u>The Literacy Coalition</u> is a not-for-profit organization committed to ensuring that every resident of Palm Beach County, Florida is able to read. Their goal is to improve the quality of life in our community by promoting and achieving literacy.

PROJECT IDEAS

- Have a book swap with classmates, neighbors or friends. Bring a book to exchange with someone.
- Be a listener for someone practicing their reading skills. Listen actively. Offer encouragement and praise. Be genuinely interested in the story and their efforts.
- Is there a group or school that you know of who could use new or gently used books? Have a donation drive at your school. (See supply list to the right.)

The Literacy Coalition is collecting <u>new or in excellent condition</u> children's books for children in preschool through the 5th grade level of school to benefit the children and families served by the Literacy Coalition's programs throughout Palm Beach County. Contact https://www.literacypbc.org/ with the dates of your drive to coordinate a time/place for delivery or pick up of your donations.

- What is/was your favorite book? Retell the story to someone, write it down or draw parts of the book that really stood out to you. Collaborate with your friends. Pick out pictures from magazines for illustrations or hand draw them. Gift your creation to someone special, someone who helped you learn to read or an emerging reader.
- Write your own book! On your own or with friends— write your own story and illustrate with drawings, or pictures cut out from newspapers, magazines, and flyers. Gift your creation to someone special, someone who helped you learn to read or an

SUPPLIES

To make books:

- paper (bonus points if you recycle paper: fold the page in half with the printed side facing in. Use the outside as fresh paper
- writing and coloring supplies

To Make a Donation Bin:

- one large box
- paint / paint brushes
- markers/crayons
- pictures cut out from magazines
- construction paper
- anything else you like!

emerging reader.

Connect with far away family and friends. Make a list of books you'd like to share, and select one to read together. Check the book out from your respective libraries. Call one another and take turns reading a page or paragraph. Make plans to connect regularly to continue reading your book or to read the next book on your list. You might learn to appreciate a new literary genre and you'll probably learn new things about each other.

MAKE IT YOUR OWN

What project can you create that will encourage and support literacy? Be sure to let us know all about it. Your efforts can be an inspiration for others!

CONNECTION

• Why is it our responsibility to pay it forward and help the people around us?

- How can you make a difference after what we learned today?
- Is there something that inspired you today that you would like to share with others?
- What are the benefits to ourselves when we connect with or assist others?

Contact ambassadorsupport@km365.org for questions or comments.

