

# **MLK**

## **Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. School**

March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2010

Dear Families,

**"The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more that you learn,  
the more places you'll go." - Dr. Seuss**

Oh the places that you will go! Dr. Seuss was correct for encouraging reading to build success, answer life's questions, and ignite the curiosity to take us to wonderful places. Today marks the 13<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the National Educator Association's (NEA) "Read Across America" and Dr. Seuss's birthday. Across the country, thousands of schools, libraries, and community centers participate by bringing together kids, teens, and books to recognize the power of reading. In our school, our teachers will also celebrate this event with reading. Rumor has it, the Cat in the Hat will even make an appearance to read a book to our lower grades! We hope to add these pictures to our school website to commemorate this event! At home, the NEA recommends reading with your child every day, even if it's the same favorite book! No doubt, reading is a life-long skill that continues to give and give and give.

A few additional exciting notes:

- We would like to thank families for returning the report card surveys. The initial feedback was very positive! We will accumulate the results to be shared at a school council meeting. Please let us know if you have not received your child's report card.
- Parent Conferences are Tuesday, March 9<sup>th</sup> from 3PM-4PM and on Wednesday, March 10<sup>th</sup> from 6PM-7:30PM. These conferences are a great way to discuss your child's report card and share any concerns and compliments.
- If "Read Across America" has inspired additional reading, our school's book fair is a great way to add to your library. The book fair is held in our lobby and will be open all week from 7:30AM-4:30PM. Thank you to our parents for dedicating their time and energies to volunteer at the fair! All proceeds will benefit our school. We hope that you will consider adding one (or more!) of the excellent books to your child's library and reading time!

Finally, I would like to invite all families to our School Council Meeting tomorrow evening from 5:30PM to 7PM. This meeting will include special guests, like Superintendent Young and members of the School Committee, and will focus on our school's identity. We hope you will be able to attend this event!

Best Wishes,

Gerald Yung, Principal