

February 2010



Happy Valentine's Day. Share your love of reading with someone who is special to you.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 National Freedom Day Make a list of the freedoms we have. Ex: Freedom to read what we want.	2 CREATE A list of firsts by African-Americans. Ex: Barack Obama: 1 st U.S. President	3 What books do you plan to read this month?	4 READ a cookbook with an adult. Find a recipe using potatoes for Potato Lovers' Month. Help make the dish for dinner tonight.	5 Organize a canned food drive for Canned Food Month. Interview someone from the local food bank. Write up the interview for the school newspaper.	6 EXERCISE Your body for American Heart Month then exercise your mind by reading your book.
7 Super Bowl Sunday Everyone likes the TV commercials. Write and script a commercial about the importance of reading and school libraries.	8 100th Anniversary of Boy Scouts Find a book and read about the history of scouting.	9 RELAX <i>It's Read in the Bathtub Day!</i> 	10 Happy New Year! Chinese New Year begins today. This is the Year of _____. You fill in the blank.	11 READ READ READ READ	12 Winter Olympics begin today Where in the world are the Olympics? Find the city on a map. Imagine you are one of the athletes. Now write a story about it.	13 Winter Paralympics What are the Paralympics? When do these games begin?
14 Library Lovers' Day Bet you thought it was just Valentine's Day! Write a letter to your SC legislator saying why school libraries are important.	15 Presidents' Day Create a trivia game about our Presidents. Share the game with your friends and teachers.	16 Mardi Gras Where is a large <i>Mardi Gras</i> celebration held each year? Find a recipe and make pancakes for dinner for your own celebration of <i>Mardi Gras</i> .	17 Random Acts of Kindness Day Read <i>How Kind</i> by Mary Murphy. Can you think of ways to show kindness to others today?	18 WRITE A reflection in your one-year memory book about your random acts of kindness yesterday.	19 To end <i>Library Lovers' Week</i> , work with your teacher-librarian to create a library basket for your principal.*	20 Read Colors Come from God...Just Like Me! For Black History Month.
22 What's in the news? Read the paper today and find one story you like. Tell someone about what you read and why you picked that story.	22 Read to Me Week begins Invite someone to read with you. Take turns reading to each other.	23 Electronic Reading Day Check a Playaway out of your school library today.	24 National Tortilla Chip Day Enjoy tortillas as a snack while you read your book today.	25 Find a quiet place and read for 25 minutes today.	26 IMAGINE If you could be a character in any book, who would you be? Why did you select that character? Re-read the book.	27 Can you do it? Spend the day without technology...just read whatever interests you.
28 Smile! You made it to the end of another month!	February is... Black History Month Library Lovers Month American Heart Month Canned Food Month Potato Lovers Month	*Library Lovers' Picnic Basket for Administrators: Include such things as information about your library, testimonials from teachers and fellow students about your school library, and the Administrator's Guide to Quality School Library Programs .		Martha Alewine Consultant, School Libraries Office of Standards and Support SC Department of Education http://ed.sc.gov malewine@ed.sc.gov		

