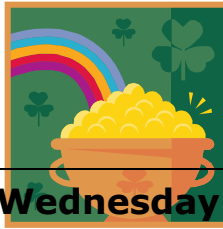


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Happy St. Patrick's Day. Reading can lead you to a very special pot of gold.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Peanut Butter Lovers' Day What is your favorite way to eat peanut butter? Write an acrostic poem about peanut butter.	2 Read Across America Day Read <i>Oh, the Places You Will Go!</i> Now write your own version.	3 National Return Borrowed Books Week begins today. So round up those books and take them back to their homes!	4 World Book Day Celebrate by reading your book for 20 minutes today.	5 WRITE A letter of appreciation about your school library and mail it to your principal to celebrate <i>National Write a Letter of Appreciation Week</i> .	6 If you could spend one day this month doing exactly what you wanted, what would it be? How much would it cost?
7 READ an e-Book Week begins today. Don't have an e-reader? Download the free BLIO e-reader and start enjoying your e-books.	8 IMAGINE You are a freelance writer. Your assignment is to interview a famous SC woman. Who would it be? What questions would you ask?	9 Could you live without batteries! Write a story about what your life would be like.	10 CREATE an illustrated journal page using paints, photos, words and/or letters from newspapers/magazines, and your own doodles and handwriting.	11 READ READ READ READ READ	12 MAKE a list of the candidates for governor and research their stand on education, health care, and taxes.	13 Where in the World? Examine the labels on your clothes, shoes, food. Make a list of all the different countries.
14 Pull the Plug and read! Turn off all electronics today	15 Ides of March <i>Et tu, Brute?</i> Who wrote this? Who said it? What was the occasion?	16 VISIT your school library today. Check out a book to read; use the computers, enjoy the space.	17	18 SELECT 6 random words from the dictionary. Now write a short story using those words. Share with your teacher.	19 Research What is a <i>neap tide</i> ?	20 Bucket List It's not too early to start your bucket list. What's one thing you want to learn to do before you're too old?
21 Common Courtesy Day Practice your manners today. Read <i>Emily Post</i> or <i>Miss Manners</i> .	22 Liberty Day This is the day in 1775 that Patrick Henry gave his famous speech, "Give me liberty or give me death!" Read Patrick Henry's biography.	23 Begin the day with the newspaper, and increase your awareness of people, places, things and events.	24 Exxon Valdez Oil Spill, 1989 What is significant about this environmental event?	25 Read about women who have served their country in time of war.	26 Design a bookmark offering tips for Internet safety. Give it to your librarian to make copies to share.	27 What's in a name? It's National Joe Day! Have everyone call you "Joe" or "Josephine" Write a newspaper article about your experience.
28 ORGANIZE A neighborhood read-in! Invite some guest readers for the younger children.	29 SC Book Awards! Did your favorite book win the SC Young Adult Book Award or the Junior Book Award? Visit your library to find out.	30 Read! Read! Read! Share your favorite part with a friend or teacher.	31 Bust a Couch Potato Day. Turn off the TV, turn on books.	Monthly Observances Women's History American Red Cross Music in Our Schools Irish-American Heritage	Martha Alewine Consultant, School Libraries Office of Standards and Support SC Department of Education http://ed.sc.gov malewine@ed.sc.gov	

