

Aspen Elementary School

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Dear Aspen Families,

Welcome to the 2016-2017 school year! We are so glad that you are at Aspen learning with us.

As part of our school wide goal for continued excellence in reading achievement, The Aspen Reading Team has developed a brand new school wide program to enhance a love for reading that extends beyond the school day.

As many of you may know, last year's "Read Around the World" program was a great success for all students. This year The Aspen Reading Team has developed a new idea to excite and motivate students to spend time reading at home. This year's program, entitled "BUILDING Life Long Readers", will take students on a reading journey as they construct and build visual masterpieces using Legos.

Students will have the opportunity to complete a monthly activity log, distributed by the classroom teacher, tracking their experiences with text. As students return the activity logs with a parent signature to school each month, incentives will be earned and blocks will be added to their classroom creation. Additionally, as a school we will track how many logs are collected and track our progress visually for all students to see. This program will allow for many STEM opportunities for students throughout the year.

As a staff we are so excited to present this program to your child(ren). This program will begin in the month of October. Be on the look out for your child's first activity log in today's folder.

Thank you for all your support as we start this program!

Thankfully, The Aspen Reading Team

Inspire all students to embrace learning in an ever-changing world.