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Thursday, March 2, 2017

Dear Parents,

Today, March 2, is Dr. Seuss' birthday. **Read Across America** day is an annual celebration of reading in Dr. Seuss' honor. The entire Verne W. Critz Elementary School staff is dedicated to encouraging reading, both at school *and at home*. In honor of Read Across America, your child will receive a book from his or her teacher as a gift to enhance their own Home Library. It is our hope that your child's love for reading will grow.

**Principal's Hog and Haircut Challenge**

I offer my congratulations to your child for the books they have read during my Principal's Challenge this school year. The students at Verne W. Critz reached their goal of collectively reading 10,000 books just before winter recess. Our goal was achieved! Please congratulate your child for a job well done.

On Monday, March 6, 2017, your child will very likely come home excited to tell you that, "Mr. Ginty had to have his hair cut and kiss a pig in the gym today!" It is my pleasure to fulfil my promise to your child as a result of their reading accomplishments.

As always, thank you for all that you do in support of your child's education.

Sincerely,

Brian J. Ginty  
Principal