



Our students will shape and lead the future

News release

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School brings library to students' homes

Penny Creek Elementary School encourages reading with lending library and reading nights

Penny Creek Elementary School staff is encouraging literacy by setting up a "Free Little Library" in the business center of the Mill Pointe Apartments. Children and their families can borrow books to read and share any spare books they have through the little lending library.



Staff and volunteers plan to read to children and families in the apartments once a month beginning in January. The first monthly reading night is tentatively scheduled for Jan. 11, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. Those attending the reading night will hear stories while they enjoy nibbling cookies and have the option to pick up a donated winter coat.

Kindergarten teacher Jessica Johnson is leading the effort. "Our purpose will be to build

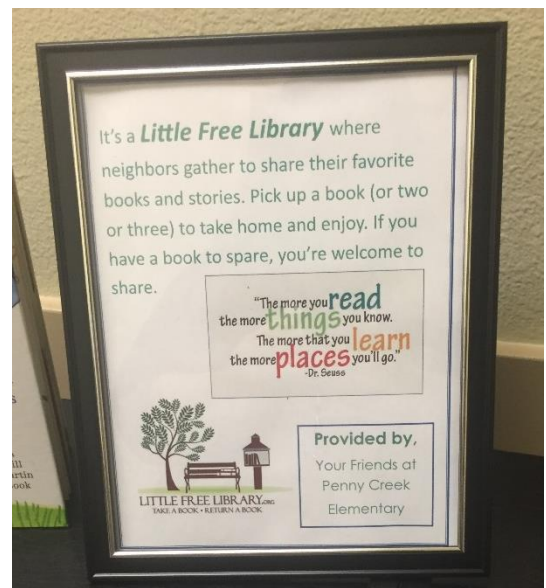
rapport and connection with these families outside of the school setting. We will slowly learn their needs, and hopefully be able to meet these needs as they arise."

Johnson shared Mill Pointe Apartments "... were so kind and appreciative for this connection we are starting to build with their residents, and this educational service we are providing to our students."

Penny Creek Principal Maggie Heater beamed, "This initiative is really going to make a big impact on our community! It is stories like these that make me so proud to be part of the Penny Creek Team."

If you have children's books to donate to the lending library, please contact Jessica Johnson.

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