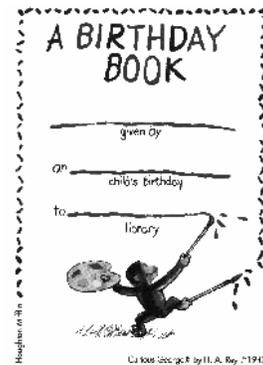


Mansfield School Libraries **Birthday Book Buddies**



Birthdays are always special to a child. What better way to celebrate the special occasion than donate a book to your library in honor of the birthday child and arrange for a nutritious treat for your child's classroom? Instead of the entire focus of a child's birthday being on sugar-filled cupcakes, the "Birthday Book Buddies" program gives you the chance to make a lasting gift to your school library in a child's name. Children with summer birthdays may choose to celebrate on their half-birthday.

For a donation of \$15, participants may choose a hardcover book from a selection of newly ordered books. We will place a bookplate commemorating the child's birthday and acknowledging the donor inside the book. In addition, the birthday boy/girl will have their picture taken with their book and displayed in the school. They will also be given the opportunity to be the first to borrow the book.



In honor of this special day, your child's classroom will be treated to a festive and nutritious "Birthday Fun Snack" from your school's kitchen staff! This snack is comprised of a cup of applesauce, topped with whipped cream with a cherry on top. They may even be able to help with serving the whipped topping!



Are you a *Birthday Book Buddy*? Support your school library, encourage healthy eating habits, and celebrate a special day all in one program.

Contact your school library staff to make arrangements to participate in this program (please make checks payable to the Mansfield Public Schools) or email Mrs. Emily Tinnel (Shared Librarian) TinnelEW@MansfieldCT.org