

KDS Elementary Celebrates Family Reading Night

The Cat in the Hat is back, just in time for the annual reading motivation and awareness program that calls for every child in every community to celebrate reading on the birthday of beloved children's author Dr. Seuss. This year KDS Elementary students celebrated the 112th birthday of Dr. Seuss with a night of reading activities centered around "Read Across America Day". Approximately 125 students, parents and teachers turned out on the night of March 3rd to celebrate.



Kindergarten teacher Teresa Click is shown here painting a Cat in the Hat face on a student.

Activities included kindergarten teachers painting children's faces to look like the Cat in the Hat. First grade made *Cat in the Hat* hats using cardboard strips and construction paper. Second grade teachers provided the materials for the children to create an edible treat. The children created a "Cat Hat" using an Oreo cookie for the brim, a drop of icing as glue to hold a marshmallow that was dipped in water then red sprinkles on each end. This activity seemed to be the children's favorite, with several going back to this classroom for seconds! Third Grade did an art activity in

which students created a Cat in the Hat using paper plates and construction paper. Third Grade also had "Thing One and Thing Two" photo props. In the fourth grade, students read several different Dr. Seuss AR books, then completed a fun packet of Dr. Seuss activities. The KDS Elementary PTO provided Chick-Fil-A sandwiches, chips and drinks for a \$5 donation.



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During Family Reading Night, everyone was invited to shop at the Book Fair set up by Librarian Valerie Largen with the help of parent volunteers. Proceeds from the Book Fair help fund new books and materials for the library.



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Families enjoyed participating in the many Seuss-themed activities.