

Santa Cruz Reading Corps News



January Tutor Tasks

- Reestablish connections with children
- Update the Literacy & Math Rich Schedule with the Lead Teacher, as needed
- Talk/Read/Write with children all day, every day, in all areas of the classroom

Upcoming Events:

Data team meetings are being scheduled for February

Winter Benchmark:

IGDI Integrity Checks will be conducted as soon as members return from the winter break January 17th -27th.

Welcome back and happy winter season! Wishing you that the new year brings wonderful opportunities for learning and growing together in AmeriCorps and Santa Cruz Reading Corps in 2017.

Now that all our wonderful literacy tutors have come back from winter break, the Winter Benchmark Window for collecting IGDI's data begins from January 17th-January 27th. Teachers, please check in with your tutors to see how you can support each other to complete timeline.

This month, literacy tutors will be working on achieving integrity on benchmark assessments before collecting data; IGDI Winter Benchmark, meeting expectations for ELLCO #17 (Early Writing Environment), enter winter benchmarks, and progress monitoring data; and supporting the Literacy Math Rich Schedule and Big 5 Transition songs. Coaches will be visiting sites once this month for an IGDI Integrity check. Literacy Tutors will begin winter assessments with children after the coach has observed for integrity. *Looking forward to seeing you soon!*

Meet our Reading Corps tutors.....



Ezra: This will be my fourth term as a Literacy Tutor with Santa Cruz Reading Corps and third year with Ms. Rossi. I'm truly excited for another school year with the Live Oak School District. The firsthand experience has made me realize how important education is crucial during your child's first years. Some things I enjoy are photography, gaming, in-game photography, music, and cooking.



Laney: I wanted to join Reading Corps in Santa Cruz because I want to be an elementary school teacher. The thing I am most excited for this year is being able to work with teachers who can provide me with valuable experience and tips to become the best teacher possible. I am also extremely passionate about reading and education, so I cannot wait to work with students. There are many inspirational people in my life, but my parents are my main inspiration because they are dedicated to the field of education also: they are both teachers!



Devika: I am excited to join AmeriCorps in part to "pay it forward" for all the love and support I have received from the beautiful people in my life. I hope to contribute to the success of Reading Corps' purpose by being a part of a great team improving literacy. On my free time, I love to do yoga, walk with my sweet little dog Honey, and cook! Walking, cooking for people, and spending quality time with loved ones is what keeps me excited and content.

