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IN THE SPIRIT OF DR. SEUSS

In honor of Red Across America Week and the 108th birthday of Dr. Seuss, students at Saint James School, Red Bank, celebrated by reading the renowned books, dressing up in themed costumes and enjoying culinary goodies inspired by the stories.

Third graders completed several writing activities to go along with each story, which they viewed on the classroom's SMART board, and they visited Seussville on the internet and learned more about Dr. Seuss.

At the preschool, the legacy of Dr. Seuss lived on through funny hats, discolored eggs and lessons on a variety of topics with reading, whimsical rhyming and rhythm, counting, endearing characters and helpful messages.

Children and teachers came to school wearing pajamas so they could curl up with their favorite Dr. Seuss book that they brought in for "show and tell."

"Motivating children to read is an important factor in student achievement and creating lifelong successful readers," third and fourth grade teacher Mrs. Serricchio said. "Celebrating Dr. Seuss' birthday is one of the ways in which we motivate our youngest students to become adventurous learners throughout their lives."



From wearing character outfits and reading stories to enjoying theme-inspired culinary creations, third graders at St. James Elementary School, Bed Bank, had an authentic celebration for the author's 108th birthday. From left, students Edward, Thomas and Catalina pose. *Courtesy Photos*



I LIKE GREEN EGGS AND HAM – Three- and four-year-old preschool students pose during their celebration of Dr. Seuss' 108th birthday in early March, showcasing books they read and drawings they used to follow along with the books and their messages. The celebration also included birthday cake, "green eggs and ham," and Dr. Seuss puzzles, games and crafts.