

READING MARATHON FUNDRAISER

The Reading Marathon is an important annual fundraiser for the Friends of the **Ridgewood Public Library**. It raises money for new books, live dance, science, music, theater & storytelling events, arts & crafts programs, and more—all while fostering a love of reading.

Throughout **February**, Ridgewood students in grades PreK-8 read, record their books & earn prizes. **Reading logs** will be sent home at the end of January. **Donations** are optional, but always greatly appreciated!

Students who return their reading logs (**signed by a parent**) by **March 2** will earn a coupon for a **free ice cream** at Ben & Jerry's. Last year, Ridge had 100% student participation—let's do it again this year!

For more info & to print extra reading logs, visit the **Reading Marathon Webpage**:
www.ridgewoodlibrary.org/reading-marathon

FREE MARATHON EVENTS **at the Ridgewood Public Library** (register for events at www.ridgewoodlibrary.org)

Reading Marathon Kickoff

Wednesday, February 1

4-5 pm

Start the Reading Marathon off right with this high-energy performance—Jester Jim juggles, jokes, beatboxes & more!

Closing Event: *COMIC CON*

Saturday, March 4

1-3 pm

Celebrate the end of the marathon with the library's first-ever Comic Con! Cosplay contest, face-painting, comic artists & more.

Questions? Please email Danielle Flynn (dbloodflynn@yahoo.com)