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# SUPERINTENDENT'S UPDATE

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## WES Fifth Graders Spread the Love of Reading and Cheer!

Fifth graders at Warwick Elementary School in Mrs. Ausmussen's reading class have been working hard to stay on and even above their reading targets, with 89% achieving this goal. Last Friday, as a surprise incentive, principal Mrs. Shellabarger informed students that a special treat was in store for those students who were on target. Fifth grade students were elated when Mrs. Elzey, Pre-K teacher at WES, and Mrs. Thompson, Pre-K Assistant, invited those students to come read with Pre-K students. They quickly returned to the bookshelves to trade their chapter books for fun picture books for their soon-to-be reading buddies. All readers were engaged and loved their time together as they read.

An added bonus followed the buddy reading: Pre-K returned with their fifth-grade buddy to Mrs. Ausmussen's classroom to hear a Christmas story being read to everyone. It was a great day spent making new friends, spreading the love of reading, along with a little Christmas cheer!

