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PS 198 READ-A-THON

During our 3rd annual **Read-a-Thon**, PS 198 students increased time spent independently reading in their classrooms and at home, while our teachers engaged children in motivating literacy activities and additional reading incentives. We launched our Read-a-Thon with a school assembly in which we danced and cheered to show our Bulldog reading spirit! Throughout the event, classes were visited by authors and editors, such as David A. Kelly, author of the *Ballpark Mystery* series. The Galli Theater brought to life the fairy tale, Aladdin. Teachers also took students on field trips connected to literacy, including a performance of the book "Hey Wall" and a visit to the NY Historical Society to learn about J.K. Rowling and the Harry Potter series. Throughout the 10 day reading event, we engaged families at home by encouraging specific family reading challenges such as reading a recipe or making a cozy reading fort out of pillow and blankets. In school, kids were excited to participate in theme days, such as Non-Fiction Day and Storybook Character Day! <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gcxGRAFjWcY&feature=youtu.be>

