



Reading Is  
Fundamental

## MAY NEWS

### Bringing Children's Book Week to Life!



### Meet the 4-Year-Old Supercharging Children's Book Week!

Children's Book Week originated with the idea that children's books can transform lives—so it's the perfect time for RIF to celebrate kids who are leading the way! Check out our feature on Dalayah Arana, the superstar four-year-old recently honored by the Library of Congress for reading more than 1,000 books! [Read more inspiring stories of kids](#) changing the face of literacy on our blog and Facebook page this week!



### Play "Guess the Cover" and Support RIF!

In honor of Children's Book Week, we're challenging your knowledge of book covers while doing what we do best—providing books to kids who need them most! Every day this week, we'll share a piece of a children's book cover on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram. And for each guess you make, Macmillan Children's Publishing Group will donate \$1 to support RIF!



**“IF I HAD A NICKEL  
FOR EVERY STORY  
MY MOM READ AT  
BEDTIME....”**

Give the gift of reading in honor of your first storyteller and help other kids build their book bank.



### Digital Detox Challenge

With so many distracting devices at our fingertips, [Screen-Free Week](#) is designed to recharge your family's reading habits and reinforce the importance of in-person connections. We can certainly support that! A post we wrote for our friends at Cricket Media will spur ideas to help your family break through the screen and embrace hands-on reading adventures!



### Start Thinking Summer!

Kids who don't read over the summer risk losing up to three months of reading skills learned during the school year. RIF to the rescue! Our [summer resources](#) and [monthly activity calendars](#) can encourage students to stay engaged with and excited about literacy outside of the classroom!



### Supporter of the Month

RIF's Book Heroes—donors who make monthly contributions—are a powerful force for change in kids' lives. And that's why we're recognizing them as the [May Supporters of the Month!](#) Their generous donations help us bring the power of reading to even more kids and provide critical ongoing operational support to RIF's mission throughout the year.