Why 1000 Books Before Kindergarten?

It's a simple act: an adult reading aloud to a child. But the simplicity underlies great importance. According to reading and learning experts, reading aloud with children is the single most effective activity for parents to prepare children to learn to read.

1KBB4K is Prescott Public Library's new early literacy program that will encourage parents to make reading aloud a habit in their home. When you register your child for 1KBB4K, you will receive tools to help you find time for reading, make reading aloud enjoyable for all family members, and track the amount of books you read.

The 1KBB4K program also includes incentives (free books and more!) to keep you and your children motivated to maintain the reading habit throughout their pre-K years.

Who may join?

- ◆ 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten is open to all children who have not yet started kindergarten.
- ◆ Students currently enrolled in 4K are still eligible to participate. Goals are based on the child's age.

How it works

- ◆ Register your child at the Prescott Public Library.
- Record each book you and your child read together on your reading log. (It's okay to read the same book multiple times.)
- ◆ You can also count books heard at story time, daycare, and school.
- Bring your reading log to the library after completely filling in a read-aloud log page (100 books per page).
- Your child will receive a book to keep upon registration, when they reach the half-way point and when they complete their reading goal.
- Each child who reaches the 1,000 book goal will receive a keepsake certificate.

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