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#### FRIDAY IS A READING FUN DAY!

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Reading is one of the most important skills that students learn in school. It is essential for success in all academic subjects, as well as in life.

The Department of Education (DepEd) believes that through reading, students will improve their academic performance. Students who read well perform better in all subjects, including math, science, social studies, and English and Literature. They will understand their textbooks well, complete their assignments, and answer different test questions when they are great readers.

In addition, students will expand their vocabulary through reading, improving their communication skills, whether written or oral.

Reading allows students to learn about different cultures, history, and even the latest issues. It helps them understand the world in which they live.

Reading helps students learn to think critically. They will understand the author's purpose in the text, identify the main idea and the supporting ideas in the selection, and reflect on the story they have read.

Moreover, reading can also help students develop a lifelong love of learning. They will appreciate reading as a pastime and entertainment. Because of this, it will reduce their stress and improve their mental well-being.

The Department of Education understands that schools play a vital role in promoting reading. Teachers are responsible for encouraging students to read by



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providing them with access to a variety of reading materials such as magazines, newspapers, books, and other enjoyable and engaging reading resources. Teachers also create a classroom environment that is supportive of reading and provide students with opportunities to read and discuss what they have read.

Catch-up Fridays is a timely program by the DepEd. It will be of great help for struggling readers to improve their reading skills and understanding, leading to success in their academic performance.

Catch-up Fridays is a simple yet powerful commitment to the personal growth and well-being of all students. Reading every Friday offers a sanctuary of calm, a space for intellectual exploration, and an investment in the continuous refinement of the mind. Friday is a reading fun day!

By emphasizing the importance of reading in school, we can help all students develop the skills they need to succeed academically and in life.

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