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## CP Read-A-Thon a Huge Success

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Camino Pablo Student Council members with Principal Tom Rust and Kaela Blasen from Reading Partners. Photo provided

explains, "It's great to have a community-wide activity that engages students in reading, raising money for a common goal, and a way for students and families to give back to others. That is what the Read-A-Thon and book drive provides our community."

Camino Pablo Elementary School in Moraga held its annual Reading Round Up (Read-A-Thon and book drive) and student involvement was at an all-time high, with some classes reaching 100 percent participation. The money raised during the Read-A-Thon has already benefitted the Camino Pablo campus with the installation of two murals representing the current students and their commitment to the Life Skills program. The CP community collected gently used book donations to benefit Reading Partners, ([www.readingpartners.org](http://www.readingpartners.org)) a local, nonprofit literacy program in the East Bay. The over 1,000 books donated will be used to help children enrolled in a one-on-one tutoring program build their home libraries. Student Council representatives brought the donated books to Allendale Elementary School and learned more about the Reading Partners Program at the school from Kaela Blasen, the Reading Partners - Americorps site coordinator. Principal Tom Rust

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