

# TOMORROW'S LEADERS ARE TODAY'S BOOK LOVERS

St. Peter School - Danbury

## 2022 - 2023 PROJECT UPDATE



**Grant Amount: \$5,000**  
**Project Cost: \$5,164**



**100 Students Impacted**  
**Kindergarten - Grade 4**

**PURPOSE:** To provide books to students to strengthen their literacy skills. With access to more books in a variety of genres, students will have more opportunity to explore topics of interest such as science, sports, diversity, and immigration/refugees.

**IMPACT:** This grant has been helpful in building classroom libraries. This is one way we are integrating reading school-wide from a very early age. The school hosts an annual two-week read-a-thon and for ten days, the entire school spends 30 minutes reading free choice books. This year, 172 students read for a collective total of 77,658 minutes! Because we have students who need reading support, it has been important to provide lower level/high interest selections for them to choose from.

**FUTURE PLANS:** Thanks to this grant and a generous benefactor, St. Peter has been growing classroom libraries. In addition, we will use 50% of the proceeds raised during the read-a-thon to support literacy initiatives moving forward.

