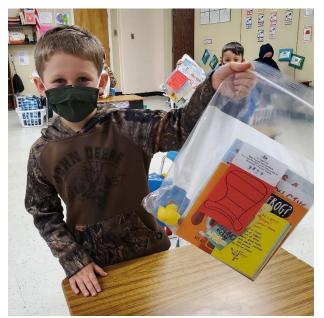


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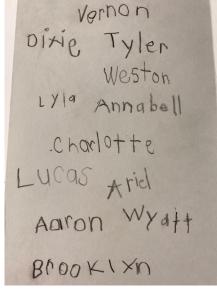
## Nathanael Greene Primary Kids Celebrate Read Across America Week

Charlottesville, Virginia (3/15/2021) – QuickStart Tennis of Central Virginia, Inc. (QCV) is pleased to report Nathanael Greene Primary School in Greene County recently celebrated Read Across America Week by distributing Scholastic Book Club books, Go Bananas! Cards and FUN giveaways to 130 preschoolers and kindergartners. This giveaway was organized by Jennifer Murphy, Reading Specialist at the school, and made possible by an anonymous contribution to QCV's Racquets for Reading!!! initiative.











Assistant Principal Stephanie Hutchinson says, "Our preschool and kindergarten students were so excited to receive their new books! It was wonderful to hear the excitement and happiness when they opened their books. We know that it is so important for early readers to have books of their own at home and we cannot thank QuickStart Tennis of Central Virginia enough for this wonderful opportunity."

QCV QuickStart Coordinator Lynda Harrill adds, "The photographs we receive tell the story. Put books in their hands and smiles on their faces. Racquets for Reading!!! is all about caring, kindness and supporting young kids, and that's what we've been doing for kids for 12 years and will continue to do. We can enrich kids' lives in a variety of ways through tennis, nutrition education, life skills role models and literacy. We have the passion and vision and generous supporters who believe in what we do. We are very grateful we were able to step up for Greene County."

Please visit our <u>website</u> to learn more about what QCV is doing to promote physical activity, healthy eating and early childhood literacy for preschoolers and kindergartners through BrightSTARS – Tennis for Me! and our <u>Racquets for Reading!!!</u> initiative.

Want to be a great adult?
Play tennis! Read books! Eat healthy! Have FUN!!!

Be a QuickStart kid!

QuickStart Tennis of Central Virginia is an all-volunteer, grassroots Community Tennis Association established in 2009 as a 501(c)(3) charitable organization to promote, develop and grow QuickStart Tennis in the heart of Virginia for all beginners, especially underserved youth, using the kid-sized QuickStart Tennis format. QCV's service area includes Albemarle, Amelia, Appomattox, Brunswick, Buckingham, Charlotte, Culpeper, Cumberland, Dinwiddie, Fluvanna, Franklin, Greene, Greensville, Halifax, Henry, Louisa, Lunenburg, Madison, Mecklenburg, Nelson, Nottoway, Orange, Patrick Pittsylvania, Prince Edward, Powhatan and Rappahannock counties and the cities of Charlottesville, Danville and Martinsville, plus under a special arrangement, King George County. We currently serve 212 schools with 99,000 kids, 15 parks & recreation departments, three Boys & Girls Clubs and two YMCAs in 27 counties and three independent cities. We have also gotten tennis into PE classes in 37 additional schools with 16,000 students in communities outside our service area.

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