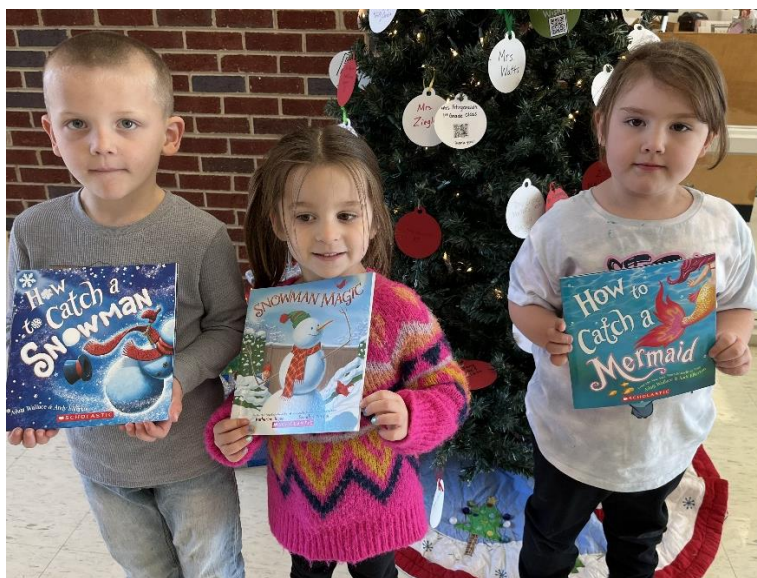




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Preschoolers and Kindergartners at Rockfish River Elementary Receive Books and Giveaways

Ivy, Virginia (1/8/2024) – QuickStart Tennis of Central Virginia, Inc. (QCV) is pleased to report 75 preschoolers and kindergartners at Rockfish River Elementary School in Nelson County received books to read over the winter break from school. They also received mini rubber duckie reading pals, Go Bananas! cards and water bottles, stickers and bookmarks. This *Racquets for Reading!!!* giveaway was made possible by the generosity of the Smyth Foundation Fund in the Charlottesville Area Community Foundation.



QCV's Founder Lynda Harrill says, "Nelson County was a special place for our longtime benefactor, the late Mary Beth Smyth, and one of the first school systems to add QuickStart Tennis to its PE curriculum. This is the fourth school year we've been able to

provide books and giveaways to students at Rockfish River Elementary. Last year a new Dolly Parton's Imagination Library program was started in Nelson by the local library. We hope Nelson is poised to see a significant increase in school readiness and third grade reading scores. We know Mrs. Smyth would be pleased."

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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, Campbell, Charlotte, Culpeper, Cumberland, Dinwiddie, Fluvanna, Franklin, Greene, Greenville, Halifax, Henry, Louisa, Lunenburg, Madison, Mecklenburg, Nelson, Nottoway, Orange, Patrick, Pittsylvania, Powhatan, Prince Edward, and Rappahannock counties and the cities of Charlottesville, Danville and Martinsville. Through tennis, we create happy, healthy, active and literate kids in the communities we serve.

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