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Site Visits Completed

185

We're having lots of fun and learning a lot on our site visit tour. To date, we've traveled **6,476** miles.

Our thanks to those who've welcomed us already. We look forward to seeing the rest of you soon!

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Raising Readers Update

Time for Inventory

With 400 sites ordering more than 160,000 books per year, maintaining an accurate inventory of books in our warehouse is critical. We're taking a short time out at the end of March to do a physical inventory. This means we will have to hold book and tote orders for a couple of days in order to reconcile inventory numbers.

Important Notice

Please be aware that we won't be able to process and ship orders **March 29 – 31**. Orders received on those days will be processed to ship on **April 3rd**. You should expect your order to take a couple of extra days. Thanks for your patience and understanding.

New Titles in Newborn Totes



When we included these books on the color book list sent to all sites in January, we created some confusion. *Read to Your Bunny*, *A Box of Animal Crackers* and *Sweet Dreams*, are the books now shipping in the **newborn totes** given to families by Maine hospitals and birth centers upon the birth of a child.

Bright Idea: Saying Thanks



Here's a neat idea from *Yarmouth Health Center – Pediatrics*. When the practice gives the 5 year book to a child graduating from Raising Readers, the staff encourages the child (and family) to write a note to the Libra Foundation thanking them for the books they've received.



If you'd like to say thanks to Libra for their support of Maine children, here's the address.

Libra Foundation Trustees
POB 17516
Portland, ME 04112-8516

Feel free to share it with your patients, too.

Through Libra's support, Raising Readers has given nearly 700,000 books to 112,000 Maine children over the last six years. WOW!

Coming Soon: Peek-a-WHO?



Peek-a-WHO? has replaced *Peek-a-boo* in the six-month slot. Watch for this colorful "guess who" board book.