



Washington Library Monthly Report

January 2019

Narrative

The photo to the left is author Kentrell Martin's visit in December. He taught K and 1st sign language. The teachers had organized his visit, and luckily a library class visit had cancelled that morning.

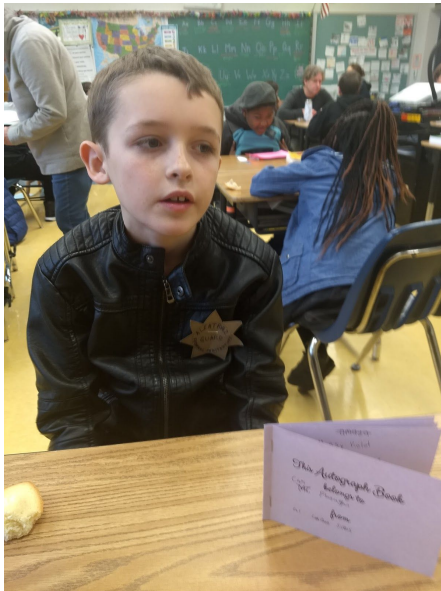
Flexibility!

1-7 Our janitor Albert and Amanda Sabin returned to find the library flooded. Almost a third of the carpet was wet. Boxes are piled up in the back. It smelled bad until Albert vacuumed and shampooed and vacuumed again.

1-7 I told a tour group how popular the Japanese kamisibai stage was, how children will say, "do it again" when I finished. When a class came in later that day, Safaa (1st) saw said, "I like these better than books!"

Ups and downs: Ups- Amanda has recruited wonderful volunteers. (The furloughed dad came in 3 times one week.) Downs--once a month a child leaves a book on the wet playground. I use my breathing tool as I prop the book in front of a fan.

1-29 I was irritated that Shannon Messenger's 7th book didn't end the series. Inika also didn't like the ending, but said she was going to reread for 2 ½ years until the next "Keeper of the Lost Cities" came out. She is checking out the massive fantasy series again!



People

Number of class visits : 20 x 4 weeks

Make-ups : 1 by Ms.

Sabin Cancellations : 1

Teacher Consultations : Emily Hawkins asked for photos of the regions of California for third graders learning English. We found four books. Fourth grade teachers wanted picture books of African American history to plan a performance. Ms. Hedgecock and I discussed read aloud novels-- I checked out Paulsen, Peck and Boyce-Coddell books to her. *Parent/Community Volunteers:* Brian, Matt, Anne, Becca and Levi (age 3), Shirley

Other Uses : ELAC, AAUG, PTA, cafeteria planning meetings, Cal students Build tutoring

Displays: lunar new year and Martin Luther King day segueing into Black History and Valentine's Day

In Ms. Hedgecock's class, James (5th) is the father from the historical fiction, "Al Capone Does My Shirts" . I "interviewed" him in character.

Circulation:

Items circulated: Almost 2,400-- third highest month despite holidays (!)

Interesting circulation factoid: I felt like Naomi (5th) checked out the most books, so we looked it up-- total so far 119 books!

The next highest students checked out 60 books so far this year..

Collection Development:

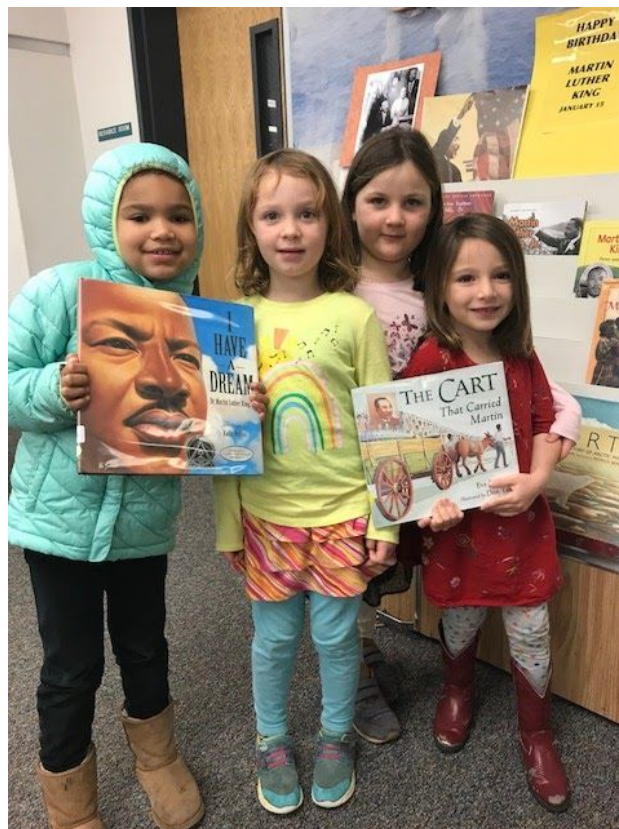
Added: 99-- pant, pant

Weeded: 19

Mended: 5

Concerns:

Respectfully submitted,





Fabulous Newbery Awards

Party, music, dancing, mocktails (mock tales?), and great snacks

