

Image: Resource teacher Ms. Trainor leading a discussion on Autism

Washington Library Monthly Report

April 2018

The library story this month:

4-9 Ms. Wash sang a note to announce her kinder class coming in. Alaina (K) sang her book title as she checked out. "Good singing," I said. "That's because I'm good at it," she sang. They make me laugh.

4-9 to 4-13 Kamishibai is my secret power; I love to hear K, 1st and 2nd graders gasp at the pictures and words of "The Mother Cat".

4-12 Thanks to Eric (and Zoe Williams) for the online ballots. James (3rd) voted with the ballot projected on the screen, and then he was the "poll worker" for the class. Happy day! Ian (5th)

suggested to his mom that they give outgrown books to the library. Wimpy Kid and paperback set of Amulet! Fist pump!

4-13 Shane (k) said, "I wish you had books on World War 2." Kids surprise me all the time; I have no kinder level World War 2 books.

4-19 Eddie Madril, the American Indian hoop dancer came! Even my husband came to enjoy his skill and wisdom. We've know Eddie for years. He did two assemblies and then a demonstration in Mr. Z's class.

4-23 Jack (K) said as he looked at books, "The Magic School Bus' books are the funniest books in the world."

4-26 And from Charlie (5th) also showed enthusiasm, "Garfield is the best book in the world."

4-23 through 4-27 Hillary Trainer has read to second to fifth grades during National Autism Month. The children were so responsive. This is something we should do more again. I was inspired to purchase books on Temple Grandin for next fall.

People

Number of class visits : 4x20 *Make-ups :* 4 *Cancellations :* 2 no-shows

Teacher Consultations : Amanda and I are trying the figure out the steps for her to job share with me next year. Becca? She is doing an online class now.



The 1st grade teachers are doing their ocean units. I looked at Wikipedia for animals in the kelp forest so I could gather books for Ms. Thomaes. Three classes going to incubate duck eggs and one kinder is getting tadpoles. I gathered and divided books about oviparous animals, including dinosaurs! Since dragons hatch from eggs, they get fiction too.

Parent/Community Volunteers: Washington graduate Hannah is back, before she goes to Bennington, yay! Amanda, Fiona, and Shirley, Fang comes when Audrey is in chess club

Other Uses : ALICE training and testing, small committee meetings, afterschool computer math games

Displays: "Read these Books on Tales to Go", Earth Day, Poetry, Novels in Verse, Cinco de Mayo.

Photo: when four classes turn in books at once

Circulation

Items circulated: March was my Busiest month this school year. The report was filed before the numbers were in-- 2931 for the month.

Interesting circulation factoid: Kids who have checked out the most books (60-75!) don't usually have overdue books. Ms. Bail used to advise her 4th graders check out books they could finish in 1 week-- wise advice.

Collection Development

Added: 83

Weeded: 29

Mended: 4 and a fresh pile waiting

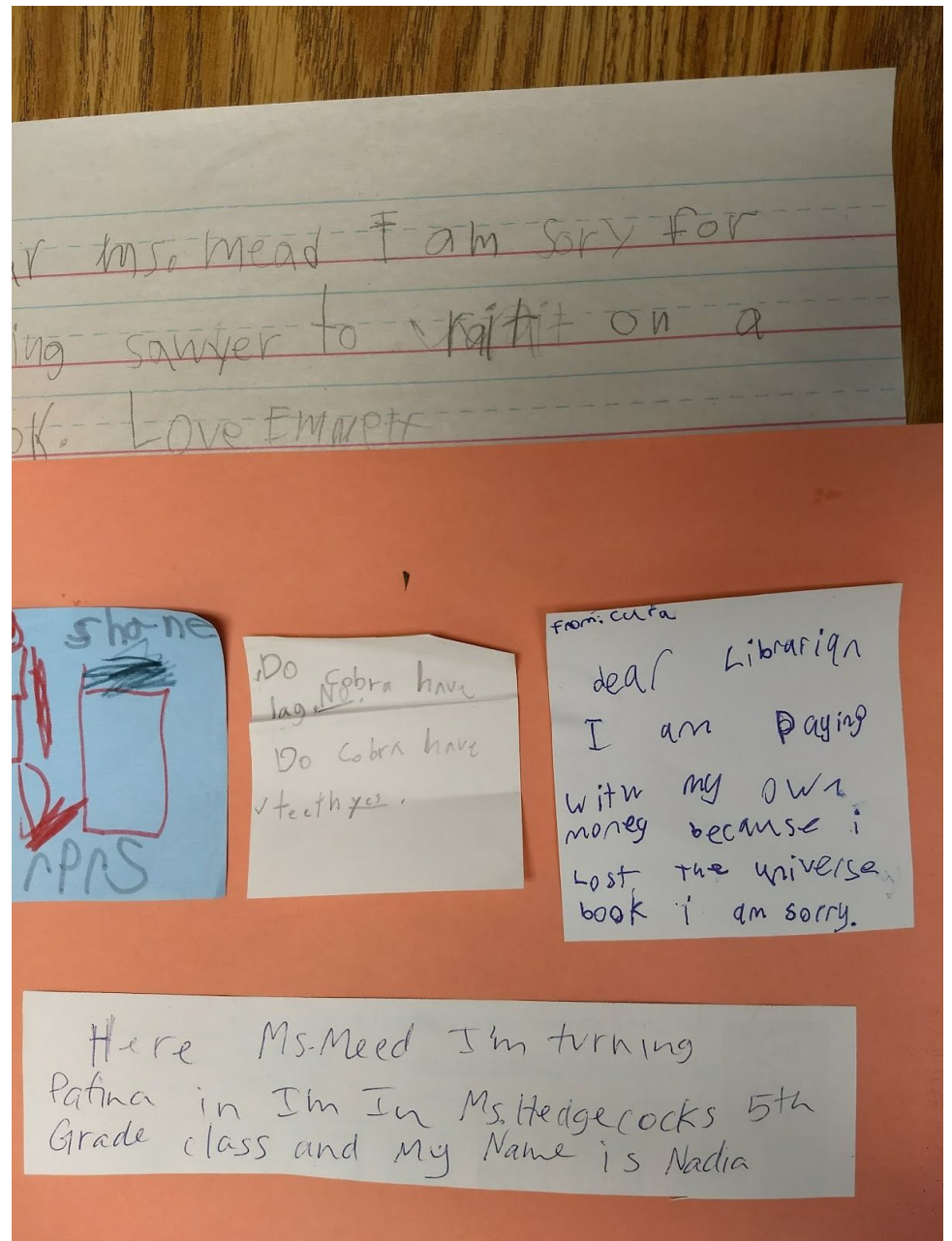
Concerns: A few years ago I had a student who reportedly stole library books from other students in the classroom. I made six book records (mostly Dav Pilkey titles) "lost" in one second grade classroom after the students said the books disappeared. I may hide the new Pilkey books that I've ordered-- keeping temptation out of his way.

Photo below: May 27th we sorted six boxes from the top of the cabinets. Jackpot! I found two boxes full of boxes of pastels.



*Respectfully submitted,
Suzy Mead*

Photo: I loved that Bella got to sit close to the stage so she could see hoop dancer Eddie Madril.



Various notes left by students.:

Hello to the user of this playaway, here have
a dollar. No? Oh well. Please keep this note if
and write your name on it where you're at.
Sincerely
Anthony Mas, 😊



"Do Cobra have lag (legs)? No

Do Cobra have teeth? Yes

Scanning a dollar bill, pretty funny.