

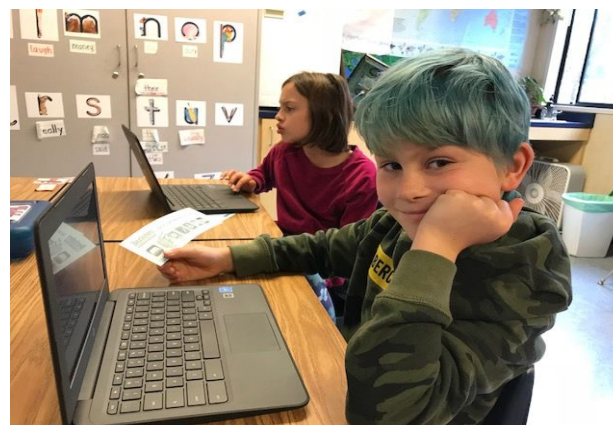


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the library story this month:

March 3 Tess (5) renewed Ryan's "The Dreamer". "This is the third time to read it. I read it, my father read it to me and my brother, and now I'm reading it again." She must know and love Neruda



by now.

5-5 Marcello (5) "Ms Mead, you need to order more books on Egyptian mythology, you only have one book!"

5-13 Inika and Erika (4) asked me for a note while I was at yard duty before school. "We want to come to the library before school." Inika produced paper and pencil; I wrote the note.

5-13 Nikhil (1) said, "I'm glad I got a new photo because I'm wearing my glasses this year. 'J' (the boy beside him), you don't have a good photo. You shoulda wore a suit and tie."

5-14 8 AM Here came Inika and Erika carrying the note I signed. "Change it to say 'Wednesday and Thursday'."

5-15 Amanda bravely went where no one had gone before-- to the classrooms with a laptop and bookcart. She went to 4 classes and checked out books from the cart. It was hard work. (LHS science was in the library.)

5-18 Note from Lev, "Here is the hobbit, I took Rooftoppers" 5-19 "here is the rooftoppers. I took the Apothecary"

5-22 "Fossil by Fossil" used the words vertebra and vertabrae. Izzy (2) said, "I just made a joke. What did one vertabra say to the other? Let's play go ball, vertabro!" The illustration of the STEM book had a short-armed dinosaur that looked like Trump, according to two different classes.

5-28 I reminded an unnamed second grade girl of her overdue book. "Oh, when I check out books everybody wants them, so I forget what I still have."

5-22 through 5-27 Friday I introduced BPL ebook/ audiobook platform Sora to the 3 fifth grades. Eric Silverberg and Amanda Sabin presented to the third and fourth grades. See the photo of Magnus above, who had just logged in to Sora successfully. (Unfortunately there are no books written in Danish.)

5-25 "Miss Amanda" had her kindergartners vote on CYRM picture books. See photo below-- kinders put their ballots into the ballot box. "If You Ever Want To Bring an Alligator to School, Don't!" was the winning title.

People

Number of class visits : 20x4 *Make-ups :* 2 *Cancellations :* 4 because of Lawrence Hall of Science

Teacher Consultations : Emily, teachers across grade levels wanted women's biographies, especially about women of color

Parent/Community Volunteers: Heather, Matt. Anne, Becca and little Levi Lee, Brian and Shirley

Other Uses : Sora training, Lawrence Hall of Science experiments for two days, staff meetings, Cal tutors, ELC meetings

Displays: Amanda and I read books about various careers, and there were posters of women of color breaking barriers in science.

I have a Susan B. Anthony doll in diorama and biographies of "women and girls who did great things" (the phrase I use to describe biographies).

Circulation:



Items circulated: about 2400, same as January

Interesting circulation factoid: Dav Pilkey's books are the top 5 of the top 10 titles circulated. Give the students what they want, which is "Dog Man". I used my Halfprice Books coupon for "Lord of The Fleas". Thanks, PTA, for giving me a stipend. Sometimes the money goes to buying Dork Diary and Dog Man series.

Collection Development:

Added: 63 (need labeling)

Weeded: 40

Mended: 5

Concerns: Amanda and I have discussed writing a grant for rolling carts. The milk crates tear up corners of books. Children carrying piles of books down two flights of stairs is dangerous, for the kids and the books.

Respectfully submitted,

Suzy Mead and Amanda Sabin



Lawrence Hall of Science had such good manipulatives that all three fifth grades (around 80 big kids) were busy building for forty minutes.