

LIBRARY MEDIA SERVICES

NEWSLETTER

CELEBRATING BECAUSE READING RULES EVERYDAY



Reading Rules Our Schools

All Kids Read/Reading Comes Alive

SSYRA Book Festival

Destiny Thanks

AR Reports

Reading Comes Alive with Harrison School of the Arts

The Polk Educational Foundation was successful in getting a grant to pay for busses for the reading experience at Harrison School of the Arts in April. The Greater Foundation of Lakeland will sponsor those Lakeland schools who indicated they wanted to attend the event.

Every second grade who plans to attend will have read five stories. The teacher will have conducted lessons and have read the stories to the entire class or the students and their parents may have read the books.

Books that were chosen were timeless treasures or taken from the Florida Reading Association list. The titles to be read are: Giving Tree, Officer Buckle and Gloria, Sylvester and the Magic Pebble, Why Mosquitoes Buzz in People's Ears and One (title unavailable when ordered).

The students at Harrison will present two shows hosting about 600 children per show. The students will be from different elementary schools in Lakeland as well as from Haines City, Loughman, and Winter Haven.

The idea for this project is the brainchild of Harrison drama director, Ilene Finns. Mrs. Finns wanted to come up with a way to bring reading alive for students.

Each school will be receiving two books to share with second grade classrooms. The program at Harrison should be about an hour in length.

“Books open your mind, broaden your mind, and strengthen you as nothing else can.” Feather



Denison Middle School Reading Promotion Display

2011 SSYRA BOOK FESTIVAL

We have 26 elementary and 12 middle schools signed up to participate in this year's SSYRA Book Festival.

Reminders – Each school must participate in the Quiz Bowl and 2 additional categories.

April 28th, 4:00 PM is the due date for all Visual Book Advertisements, Video Book Trailers, and Creative Games to be submitted to Media Services for judging.

April 28th is also the date we need the names of all of your students participating in the Book Festival. Please make sure to have correct spellings, etc. since we will be making certificates for each student.

Please let us know if you have any questions.

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE FOR SSYRA BOOK FESTIVAL

Elementary SSYRA Book Festival Schedule – May 10

9:00- Gallery opens for viewing by students, lms, and parents

9:30 – 10:30 – Quiz Bowl (The quiz takers will be together in one room while the rest of the audience looks on in another room)

10: 30 – 11:30 – Performance Book Trailers

11:30 – 12:30 – Lunch, Gallery and Games

12:30 – 1:30 – ICT Book Trailers

1:30 – 2:15 – Awards Ceremony

Middle School SSYRA Book Festival Schedule – May 11

9:30-Gallery opens for viewing by students, lms, and parents

10:00 – 11:00– Quiz Bowl (The quiz takers will be together in one room while the rest of the audience looks on in another room)

11:00 – 12:00 – Performance Book Trailers

12:00 – 1:00 – Lunch, Gallery, and Games

1:00 -2:00 – ICT Book Trailers

2:00 – 2:45 – Awards Ceremony



Congratulation to Denison Middle for being featured as a “Cool School”

THANKS TO DAVID WALDROP AND TEAM FOR HELPING TO GET DESTINY UP AN RUNNING AGAIN.

The books that help you the most are those which make you think the most.”

Parker

AR Knights Made



130 students qualified for the 5 different levels from Pony boy or girl to Lord at Dundee Ridge Middle School. Students had cupcakes, prizes at each level and the principal, Ms. Stacy Gideons, Knighted those who reached the Knight level.

There were:

7 Lords or Ladies

15 Knights

5 Squires

33 Pages

70 Pony boys or girls

Ms.: Gideons has challenged the students to make it so big that we have to have the celebration in the gym!

Sudy Westerman, MLS

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AR Praise Report from Churchwell in the words of Jo Upton

First of all, I'd like to report that here at Churchwell EL, we circulated 5,749 library books during the month of January. That works out to about 9 library books per student (635 kids) in just one month. That also means that 5,749 books have been returned to our library and have had to be reshelved in a timely manner and in the proper place. That is a lot of books to put away. Thank goodness we have a dedicated cadre of volunteers who come to help, because there is NO way I could do it singlehandedly. I taught 88 classes during this same month as well as giving one on one assistance to countless Churchwell STARS throughout our OPEN library times. It's the part of my job that I really love because it gives me an opportunity to really help a child find just the right book...that might just turn them into a lifelong reader!

I am also the manager of our AR program with the assistance of Patti Belch, our network manager, and our media paraprofessional, Sandi Mahoney. Here are some numbers that may enlighten you about the AR program here at Churchwell from just this past grading period.

A total of 7,904 AR tests were taken. 7,180 were passed with an overall school test average of 84.8%! Our boys and girls read a total of 17,936,569 words just through our AR program over the past 9 weeks!

If I have calculated correctly, out of the approx. 490 students 1st-5th graders who currently participate in AR, **333** succeeded in making their AR goal (assigned by their teacher) for the second nine weeks!

Here is the breakdown by grade level:

1st Grade—75 2nd Grade—69 3rd Grade—73 4th Grade—80 5th Grade—36

There were 6 classes where every student made the AR goal set by their teacher: Woo hoo!

We had 17 students who maintained a 100% AR test average for the entire grading period...wow, that is VERY difficult to do!

And finally, I would really like to recognize this handful of students who far exceeded the goal set by their classroom teacher:

*Henry from Mrs. Hardee's class was supposed to earn 16 points but he actually earned 132.9 with a 93.1 test average.

*Su Yue from Mrs. Schmidt's class had a goal of 10 points but actually earned 91 points with a 95% test average.

*Justin Thompson from Mrs. Milcich's class was assigned a goal of 20 points but he actually earned 88 points with a 100% test average!

*Kaleb Castillo from Mr. Walker's class had a goal of 4.5 points but Kaleb earned 74.9 points with a 88.6% test average.

*Justin's little brother, Jared, from Miss Turner's class was asked to earn 8 points but by golly, he actually earned 55.2 points with a 96.7% test average.

BLACK HISTORY MONTH

ALL HIGH SCHOOLS RECEIVED DVDS FEATURING ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF BLACKS PRE-CIVIL WAR.

We shouldn't teach great books; we should teach a love of reading."
Skinner

TIP OF THE MONTH

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In order to increase non-fiction reading, Vickie Van Steenburg prints Dewey call numbers on tongue depressors and hands them out before students begin to check out books to encourage non-fiction reading. Each student is to then go to that section and choose a book from that area to check out and read.

Vickie says that at first the students didn't want to participate but are now glad that they get to explore other areas of the library media center. Students are only requested to check out one book from that area and then they can go to any area that they like.



Starting Library Inventory

- Destiny – Library View – Back Office - Inventory
- If an inventory is in Progress – click on the blue link which states the percentage that is complete. You will see how many items are Unaccounted for. You may choose to save or print this list out. To do so; click on Copies that are “Unaccounted For” then Run Report. The report will go to the job manager from there you can either print or save the report.
- Go back to Inventory and click on Finalize, a box will pop up that says:



This will finalize this inventory.

There are 351 copies unaccounted for.



Mark all unaccounted for copies "lost"



Ignore them (don't mark them "lost")

Are you sure you want to finalize this inventory?

Yes

No

You can either mark them lost; which will add these items to your “Lost Items List” or ignore them and they will remain unaccounted for. They will still show up in your Catalog as available. Once you make this decision you will click on Yes to finalize this old inventory. The number of copies unaccounted for will vary school to school.

- You now may begin a new inventory for 2010-2011. Click on Start New – Name it Library 2010-11.
- Leave the Call Numbers from boxes empty. By doing this you are telling the system you want to inventory your entire collection.
- Click on Update to make sure that all of your Circulation Types are selected. Click **OK** to proceed.
- Then click on the **OK** at the bottom of the screen, you will be asked once more if you are sure you want to start this inventory and you click on **Yes**.
- You will see that a percentage is complete. What does that mean? These are items that are currently checked out or marked “Lost” either from the last inventory or marked “Lost” in the Circulation Desk. You may click on the blue number to review this list. You will only want to look at the “accounted” for items now; the “unaccounted for” list is too large at this time. When you are almost complete you will check the “unaccounted for” list to see what you need to search for to complete your inventory
- You then begin to scan your collection. You may use your Dolphin if it still is working, your Panther or a lap top with a scanner attached to enter your items. Make sure your cursor is in the Scan or enter one –at-a–time box if using a scanner. If using your Dolphin or Panther you will need to follow the directions that will be sent out by email.
- Once you have completed entering all of your items follow the steps above to finalize this inventory.

Nettrekker has a new log-in for teachers; please have teachers check their email.

