# Library Services Newsletter

**Summer 2018** 

#### From Helen Curol, MLIS—Library Consultant

To borrow a cliché at this point in my career, I have said it all before.

#### Wrap-up:

Thank you for years of learning together & friendships made.

Navigating new standards, new rubrics, new school grades.

Victorious over pre-tests, mid-tests, and cancelled post-tests!

With new evaluations, never giving up on information.

Promoting research, website analysis, copyright, perfect reads,

Impacting students' future more than believed!

Students were strengthened when they came through our doors.

They left better people! Need I say more?



### Congratulations on your retirement Ms. Curol!

#### **Library Services Staff**

**Karl Bruchhaus**—Superintendent

**Tommy Campbell**—Chief Academic Officer

Helen Curol, MLIS—Library Consultant

**Diane Young**—*Library Coordinator* 

**Valerie Elliott**—*Clerk* 

**Cortney Lyon**—*Clerk* 

Welcome new library consultant

## Beth Ferguson

Beth is currently the librarian at Dolby Elementary and will be joining our staff in July. We're all looking forward to starting this new journey!

Thank You to all the wonderful candidates who also applied.



#### MOSS BLUFF ELEMENTARY—JESSICA DWIGHT & MARGARET PARIS

Monday, May 14th, we celebrated our Million Words Club with an end-of-the-year pizza party! This year we had a total of 22 members--more than double the students that achieved the goal last year. Our top 3 readers (Madison -4,213,866 words read, Emilie -3,073,050 words read, and Joseph -3,055,007 words read) all received a Kindle Fire to help them to continue their love of reading. We look forward to encouraging students to reach this milestone again next year!





#### **BARBE HIGH—KAYLA LITTLE & KIM CHOLLEY**

Congratulations to our BHS top library patrons! Students were issued award certificates and treats for their recognition of using our library resources. We are very appreciative of our students, faculty and staff for utilizing our library resources. We have circulated over 32,000 resources this year. Way to go Barbe Buc Library Patrons!









#### **IOWA HIGH—JAMIE MCCAULEY**

Iowa High School top readers for 2017-18 enjoyed a pizza luncheon and listened to presenter Chyenne Bertrand from the Iowa Public library. Ms. Bertrand shared information for the summer reading program and

demonstrated some of the activities available at the public library.





#### PRIEN LAKE—SARA WALTERS

We wrapped up the year by printing and distributing over 1,000 awards for the Prien Lake students. Many kids earned their medals for reading one million words. Our top AR winners for the school received a trophy at their awards day. Our top readers for the fourth nine weeks were given special cups and fifty cents to purchase a drink from the coke machine in the teacher's lounge. They thought that was pretty cool. Three hundred and fifty







six students who met their AR goal for the fourth nine weeks were given a

sweet treat, and the top two readers in each class got to choose a free book. We also delivered one hundred and ninety seven ice cold sodas and snack cakes to the students who met their AR goal each nine week period. It's been a great year in the library and it's going to get even better. Our AR committee recently met, and we are planning some amazing changes to the way we use AR in the upcoming school year. We're going to focus more on reading for the love of books, and rewarding our students for going above and beyond our expectations!

#### SAM HOUSTON—SARA JOLIE & VICKIE BARTO

Dr. Dogs Pet Therapy group visited the PILOT Peer Support Team, a SPED class, and library patrons to help us all CELEBRATE and RELAX following MANY weeks of testing. The smiles on these students' faces says it all.

Sam Houston High School Library patrons were invited to send a birthday message to WWII Veteran, Mr. Ike

Fabela. He has only one wish for his 100<sup>th</sup> birthday...to receive 100 birthday cards by June 6th. We hope that Mr. Ike enjoys the 100 cards he'll soon receive from Sam Houston High students.

Story from Fox news: "For his 100th birthday on June 6—which comes 74 years after he was miraculously pulled off a Normandy-bound boat on D-Day—Michigan WWII veteran Isaav "Ike" Fabela has just one wish, his family said.

Fabela will be anxiously checking his mail, as the happy and humble vet hopes to rack up 100 birthday cards from well-wishers across the country."



#### FK WHITE—TIFFANY BOSS

Layla N. is the first and only student recognized on the new 300+ board that will be displayed in the library. She earned 602 points with 97.4% accuracy.



#### EK KEY—TALICIA ANDERSON

On May 11 Bess the Book Bus visited PreK - first graders at EK Key. Miss Louisiana Outstanding Teen read a few books to the students. Afterwards, students were able to select one book from the bus. CITGO, Key's PIE sponsored this event.





Students who met their AR goals each grading period this school year were treated to a field trip to Ward 3 Recreation Center.

#### ST. JOHN—PENNY PENTECOST

Students made Mother's Day crafts in the St. John Learning Library. We were very busy making approximately 650 flower bouquets during the week of Mother's Day! During our library class, kindergarten students completed a writing activity, "Why I loved Kindergarten. Their graduation "kid" turned out so cute!









#### **LEBLANC—TISH MARTINEZ**

May has sure been full of fun - testing, Powder Puff games, and Cajun Day (just to name a few things) has kept us busy here at LeBlanc. Students were also excited to receive their yearbooks this month. Reading was promoted through many fun activities throughout this school year. Summer reading was encouraged as the year came to an end, and we have already started planning great things for next school year! Enjoy your summer and Happy Reading!

#### DOLBY—BETH FERGUSON

2017-2018 was a very exciting year at Dolby. Students worked diligently to meet their AR goals. Trophies were given out at Awards Day for Most Points for each class, Highest comprehension for each class, and a large trophy was given for Most Points with Highest comprehension level for each grade level.

All students who've reached their AR goal every 9 weeks have also earned a trophy. 79 students reached their goal. An average of 150 students make their AR goal each nine weeks, but 79 of those have made it every time all year.

Seven people made it into the Million Word Club in Accelerated Reader. One student had read over 6 million words, one who read over 3 million words, 3 over 2 million words, and there are 2 who've read over 1 million words. One student, Micah R., earned OVER 1,000 AR points for the year and will be recognized at the June Calcasieu Parish School Board meeting.

Students who have earned over 100 AR points ate lunch at CiCi's pizza with the principal. There were 27 students who earned over 100 AR points, including 2 first grade students.

Bandit's Challenge, which was started by Governor John Bel Edwards and his family, was completed by many Dolby Students. They received very nice certificates from the Governor.

#### **COMBRE-FONDEL—CHRISTY MCCANN**

My 5th grade students have been reading Wonder during library time so we watched the movie to see how if it followed the book. Also, I am SO PROUD of my Combre students this 9 weeks! Even with the end of the year fast approaching, we had the MOST students meet their goal!! We



had 51 students celebrate at the AR party! We had to divide it into TWO parties because so many 3rd graders met their goal! Special SHOUT OUT to Mrs. Mar-



tin's class! She pushed them and ALL 25 students met their goal this 9 weeks! WOW!! It has been a wonderful 1st year at Combre-Fondel Elementary, and I can't wait to see what's in store for next year!!

#### **ARNETT—SHELLY ELLENDER**

Overall AR point winners at Arnett

1<sup>st</sup> place received a \$50 gift card to BAM-Symantha with 843.3 points; 2<sup>nd</sup> place received a \$25 gift card to BAM-Nicole with 527.7 points; 3<sup>rd</sup> place received a \$15 gift card to BAM-Breonna with 402 points

The three girls also received a special award at our Awards Day Program. This year Arnett had 16 Million Word Club members!

46 students met their AR goals all year. We celebrated with an ice cream party.



#### BARBE ELEMENTARY—CHRISTINE NICHOLSON

Another year has ended and we are amazed at how quickly time has passed and how much our students have grown! We've had a wonderful time at the end of the year! Our Kindergarten and First Grade teachers hosted a Field Day for the students. A "sizzling" good time was had by all! On awards day, four students were presented beautiful new bikes. Our partner Excel Paralubes PPG was represented by Ms. Monica Sanders who spent the morning with us handing out trophies, posing for photos, and celebrating the AR Bike Winners! The company also donated medals for students who made their AR goals every 9 weeks and for the two best library patrons in each class. We are very proud of our Barbe AR Bike Winners: Derriona' J-5<sup>th</sup> grade, Makaylee D.-4<sup>th</sup> grade, Kendall F.-2<sup>nd</sup> grade, and Brayden W.-1<sup>st</sup> grade! We wish everyone a safe summer vacation! Be sure to read at least 10 or more books to keep your reading levels growing!









#### FRASCH—JENI ANDERSEN

Frasch students have been busy reading! Over 32,000 books have been read and more than 24,000 Accelerated Reader points have been earned this year! Congratulations to all of the Accelerated Reader medal winners and Top 25 readers in each grade. Eight students read over 1 million words in AR books. Two students read over 3 million words setting a new Frasch record! Way to go!



By working together, returning books on time, and earning AR points our students received stickers to complete a mystery picture displayed outside the library. The tiger was finished this week as students turned in their last missing books to the library!

Enjoy your summer and keep reading. Visit the Calcasieu Parish Public Library. They have some great summer programs for all ages. See you in the fall!

#### LEBLEU SETTLEMENT—RENEE LELEUX

What an amazing year at LeBleu Settlement! We've celebrated many successes. A 3rd grader scored the most AR points this year with 387 points. Her parents treated her to a limo ride and we rolled out the red carpet for her. We ended the year with an AR dance. What a great year!







#### TS COOLEY—MARY LANIER

T.S. Cooley third grade chess club members, Mahad J. and Dominic B., along with Chess Club sponsor, Mary Lanier, and their families traveled to Nashville, TN to compete in the National Scholastic Championships 3 day chess tournament May 11 - 13. Mahad competed in the K-3 Under 1000 section and won 4 of his 7 games. Dominic competed in the K-3 Under 700 section and, also, won 4 of his 7 games. They played students from many states including New York, Tennessee, Texas, Missouri, Connecticut, Illinois, Indiana, and



Alabama. Mary Lanier's son, Justin, former T.S. Cooley student and current math PhD student at Georgia

Tech, coached the students during the tournament. Both students represented T.S. Cooley and the state of Louisiana very well! Congratulations

on an excellent job!



138 first through fifth grade students earned the right to attend the AR Reading Pep Rally on Tuesday, May 8 by achieving their pep rally point goals! The McNeese football coach,

Coach Adkins, football players, and Cowgirl Kickers were our special guests. The Cowgirl Kickers entertained the students with cheers and dances and

taught the students the McNeese song and dance "Joli Blon." The Kickers and football players spoke to the students about the importance of reading and encouraged them to continue their love of reading and learning throughout their lives. 120 MSU, LSU, and Saints prizes were given away during the pep rally.

The school's top AR reader was Alli L., a 4th grader, who earned 700.2 points with a 96.4% average score for the year. Alli was presented with an autographed baseball signed by the members of the 2018 McNeese baseball team for her accomplishment.

50 second through fifth graders earned their bingo blackout goal to attend the AR Bingo Blackout Blowout Bash on Tuesday, May 15. The students enjoyed popcorn and their choice of drink while playing bingo for Cinemark movie passes. Movie size candy boxes were given away as door prizes. The goal of the AR Bingo game played through-

out the year is to teach the 2nd and 3rd graders the Dewey Decimal System and to broaden their knowledge of the science, ELA, and social studies curriculum taught in the classroom and to encourage the 4th and 5th graders to read books that have received Newbery and Caldecott awards, including various genres of books, and the current and past Louisiana Young Readers Choice Award books .



#### OAK PARK ELEMENTARY—CRYSTAL VANICOR

We had a special end of they year AR celebration May 15th to celebrate those students who earned at least 25 AR points and maintained and 85% or better average. The students enjoyed pizza and juice and played bingo to win prizes and books. They really enjoyed themselves and hopefully this will encourage more reading next year! Some students also received book bags from the library to have some books to continue their summer reading. The students were very excited to receive the old and new books. Have a great summer from Oak Park Elementary.

#### CYPRESS COVE—KRISTI FONTENOT

- ➤ Library club enjoyed their end of the year party with donuts and prizes
- During our end of the year awards program, top readers in each grade were announced. Each top reader earned a certificate and a digital camera with a waterproof case





- > During our end of the year awards program, the top reader in the whole school was announced. He earned a certificate, itunes gift card, and an ipad
- > The top reader of the whole school also enjoyed reading to students in the library during his last days at our school

All of us at Library Services wish you a fun filled summer!

See you back in August.

