

THE LIBRARY MINI PAGE



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National Poetry Month

April is National Poetry Month! This is a month to read, write, and celebrate poetry of all kinds. Be sure to visit your library to check out the poetry section or a few verse novels!



MONTHLY EVENTS

*** April Fool's Day**
April 1, 2026
No joke ... it's April Fool's Day! Today is a day for fun, harmless pranks. Just be sure to say "April Fool's!"



*** National Pet Day**
April 11, 2026
Do you have a pet? Today you can celebrate the love and joy our cats, dogs, fish, and other pets bring us!



*** Earth Day**
April 22, 2026
We only have one planet - on Earth Day we focus on taking care of our precious environment for everyone!



Thank You to Our PTA!

Our school library has something exciting to celebrate, and it would not have been possible without the incredible generosity of our PTA!

Thanks to the PTA's continued support, we are excited to announce a great new addition to our library collection, a brand-new set of books that students are already buzzing about.

Among the highlights is a collection of fractured fairy tales by authors Samantha Newman and Stewart Ross. These imaginative, clever retellings give beloved classic stories a fun and unexpected twist, making them perfect for sparking a love of reading in students of all ages and reading levels. Second graders are enjoying them with their fairytale module.

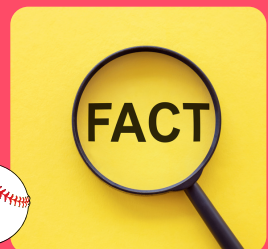


In addition to this exciting new series, many other new titles have been added to the shelves, giving our students even more opportunities to explore, discover, and fall in love with books.

Be sure to encourage your child to visit the library and check out some of the new arrivals. Happy reading!

Fast Facts of the Month

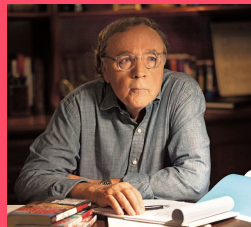
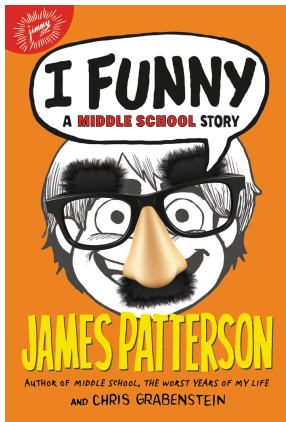
- April comes from a Latin word that means "to open," due to the flowers and plants that start to bloom this month!
- April is the first full month of the Major League Baseball season - 30 baseball teams will play 162 games this season!



AUTHOR SPOTLIGHT

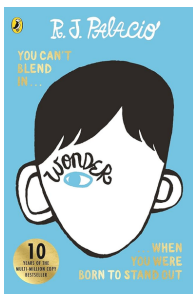
James Patterson

James Patterson is a bestselling author known for creating exciting stories that keep readers on the edge of their seats. In addition to his popular adult novels, he has written many books just for kids, including *Middle School: The Worst Years of My Life* and *I Funny*. Patterson was inspired to write children's books because he wanted to help young readers discover a love of reading and feel confident picking up books on their own. His stories are often filled with humor, adventure, and relatable characters that make reading fun and engaging for elementary students.



"Reading is a superpower. It helps you grow, imagine, and understand the world."
-James Patterson

TEACHER SPOTLIGHT

Mrs. Lloyd

Mrs. Lloyd's favorite book is *Wonder* by R. J. Palacio. She shares that through the story of Auggie Pullman, it reminds students of the importance of being kind and accepting of others. Readers can learn that everyone has their own challenges and deserve to be treated with respect.

"It's a powerful read that leaves a lasting impact on both students and teachers alike.."
-Mrs. Lloyd

**Digital Responsibility**

April is an exciting month in the library! Students in every grade are diving into important lessons about being responsible, safe, and thoughtful digital citizens. Here is a peek at what your child is learning this month.

Kindergarten & Grade 1 — Pause and Think Online Our youngest learners are exploring how to be safe, responsible, and respectful online. Through age-appropriate activities, they are learning to pause before they act, identify trusted adults they can turn to, and recognize the difference between healthy and unhealthy choices when it comes to screen time and internet use.

Grade 2 — Second graders are discovering that staying safe online has a lot in common with staying safe in the real world. Students are learning what kinds of personal information should always be kept private and why they should never share it with anyone online.

Grade 3 — Third graders are thinking carefully about the images they share and how those images shape the way others see them.

Grade 4 — Fourth graders are exploring the positives and negatives of social interaction in online gaming and discussing how the internet and social media impact our broader community.

Grade 5 — Fifth graders continue to impress with their ongoing 3D design projects! This month they learned how to cut a hole through a shape to create a pencil holder, then pushed their creativity further by applying multiple layers of personalized design detail.

As always, the conversations we have at school are most powerful when they continue at home. We encourage you to ask your child what they learned this month and keep the dialogue about digital responsibility going around the dinner table!



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