

# Further Up and Further In

The Newsletter of the WCGS Library Media Center



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## Used Book Exchange and Sale!

Participate in our book recycling event and get some great new books before the summer! From April 16-April 25, students can bring in up to 12 gently used books to donate to the exchange. They receive one book buck for every book they bring. (They are welcome to bring more than 12 books, but 12 book bucks is the maximum they can receive.) The cost to participate is \$2, which helps to fund the prizes for the summer reading program. Students should bring their \$2 when they drop off their books. The exchange will occur on April 26, and students can "shop" using their book bucks from 11:00-3:00 at a time their teacher sends them down to the library.



In addition, from 3:00-4:30, we will have a used book SALE on all books left from the exchange. Anyone can shop, regardless of whether they brought books in or not. Books will cost 50 cents for paperbacks and \$1 for hardcovers.



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## Important Dates

**May 2**

Junior High Reading Program Open House

**Monday, May 14**

8th Grade Books Due

**Monday, May 21**

Last day of K-7 book checkout

**Tuesday, May 22**

**ALL BOOKS DUE**

**Wednesday, May 23**

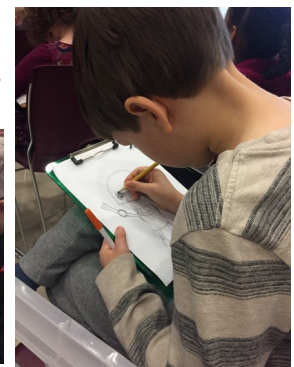
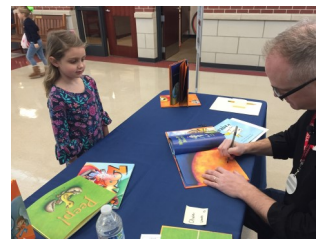
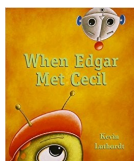
Last day for AR tests to count toward award certificates

**June 1, 4, 5**

Summer Book Checkout

## A Great Day with Kevin Luthardt!

Our K-3 students spent time with author/illustrator Kevin Luthardt on February 13. He led them through the writing process and through a drawing activity where they created a character from his book *When Edgar Met Cecil*. We are thankful for his visit!



## Summer Reading Program: Reading is Out of This World!

Look for information coming in May about our Summer Reading Program for incoming 1st-6th graders. Students who reach their grade level reading goal (hours) during the summer will receive rewards and come to a celebration in August.



## Summer Book Checkout

All returning K-7 students have the option to check out up to 10—yes 10—books to keep over the summer. They need to have returned all previous books and paid all fines to be eligible. Students need to come to check out with a parent or have a signed permission form. Dates for summer checkout are June 1, June 4, and June 5 before and after school.



## 2nd Graders Learn about God's Perfection in Creation

As part of their biblical worldview focus, students in 2nd grade studied the book *Swirl By Swirl* and *Blockhead: The Life of Fibonacci*. They learned about the sequence of numbers that characterizes so many objects in nature that have a spiral pattern. While scientists still puzzle at this pattern, we know that our God is a God of order and perfection, as evidenced through his creation. Students made spirals and studied pinecones as examples of this truth.



## Resource Corner

### [Mrs. Brown's Blog](#)

You will find resources to help you choose books that are both engaging and appropriate on the [Parent Resources](#) page, which lists helpful sites for book recommendations and discussions of current children's literature—both Christian and secular.



### [Library Webpage](#)

Find any library-related information you might need.

### [PebbleGo](#)

This is a digital reference tool for children in grades K-2.

**Username:** wcfgs

**Password:** pebgo



### [World Book Online](#)

This is an online encyclopedia resource for students in all age groups. World Book Kids is for grades 1-4, and World Book Student is for grades 5-8.

**Username:** wcgshome

**Password:** spartans



### [Brainpop or Brainpop Jr.](#)

A fun and interactive site that provides videos, information, games, and activities on hundreds of curricular topics. **Download the app on your phone, too!**

**Username:** wcgslmc

**Password:** wcgslmc

### [Country Reports](#) and [State Reports](#)

A resource for any research related to countries or states—grades 3-8

**Username:** wcgslmc

**Password:** lmc



## Accelerated Reader Information

There are **THREE ways** to access information for Accelerated Reader. The first two are linked under the AR page of the library website:

### 1. [Renaissance Home Connect](#):

This allows you to view your child's AR records and bookshelf using the same password your child uses for AR at school.

### 2. [AR Book Finder \(www.arbookfind.com\)](http://www.arbookfind.com)

This site allows you to search for information on every AR book available. We don't have all of them, but this is a great place to check the info for books from the public library, home, or Amazon.

No password needed.

3. [Search our WCGS library catalog](#)—this link is on the main library webpage. AR info for each book is given in the catalog. You can even search within a certain reading level range by clicking the arrow next to *Reading Programs* and choosing *Accelerated Reader*. No password needed.