

Further Up and Further In

The Newsletter of the WCGS Library Media Center

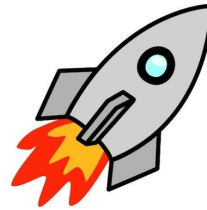


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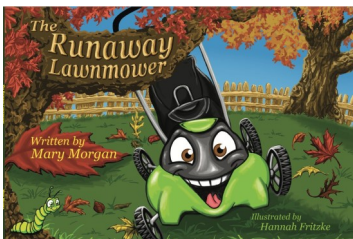
Reading Is out of This World!

It was a great day in the library on Friday, August 24, when students came to claim the prizes they earned for participating in our summer reading program. There were smiles all around as they received their dog tag and gift bag and then chose a free book from the selection. We are so thankful that over 260 students chose to complete the reading program and keep up their reading skills over the summer. Also, a huge thank you to our volunteers: Melissa Allison, Shelley Kelly, Lucy Weber, Soo Pae, Anna Brak, Noelle Castle, Karen Ernest, Jessica Norman, Donna Dewit, and Jennifer Pierson. (Pictures on Page 3!)



Upcoming Author Visit with Mary Morgan

Christian author Mary Morgan will be coming to share her work with our students in grades K-5 on Wednesday, October 17. She will speak to our K-2 students about the fun of reading and a positive message about serving others from her book *The Runaway Lawnmower*. Students in grades 3-5 will learn about history and geography through her National Parks



Mystery series. Mrs. Morgan has visited more than 50 national parks and writes from experience as she inspires students to visit the parks and read mystery stories.



Reading Program for Grades 6-8

This year's reading program list is compiled of recommendations from World Magazine, the Children's Crown award books, the Illinois Rebecca Caudill Young Readers' Book Award list, and our own WCGS choices. Students can also read free choice books as part of the program. Students earn small prizes and gift cards as they read books from the list and then move on to free choice reading. For more information, click [here](#).

October 2018

Upcoming Events

October 17

Author visit with Mary Morgan, Grades K-5

November 15-20

Scholastic Book Fair

November 15

Family Reading Night

February 2019

Author visit with Brian Wells, Grades 5-8

March 11-15

Monarch Award Voting
Grades K-1

April 18

Deadline
Junior High Reading Program

May 1

Junior High Reading Program Open House

Wet Books!

Please protect books from water bottles in backpacks. We have had several books destroyed already this year due to water. Please keep a plastic bag for library books in your child's backpack. Thank you!

Library Policies

Students may check out books according to the chart below:

Grade	Loan Period	Overdue Fines?	# of books
K	1 week	No	1
1	2 weeks	No	2
2	2 weeks	No	3
3	2 weeks	Yes	3
4-8	2 weeks	Yes	4
6-8 Reading	2 weeks	Yes	5

Students in grades 1 & 2 usually return their books every week, but they have the option to keep them for two weeks if they need to.

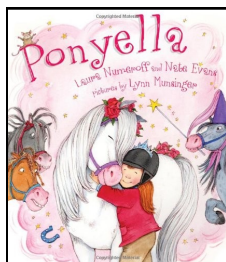
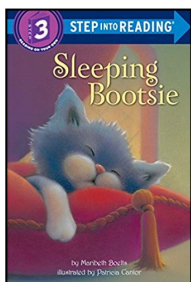
Students who have more than \$1 in fines or a book that is more than a week overdue may not check out more books until the fine is paid and/or book is returned.

Lost or damaged books must be paid for. If a lost book is found within a reasonable amount of time and a new copy has not already been purchased, the cost will be refunded.

Students have 1 grace day (the day after the book is due) to return it with no fine.

Emma Rose Reads...and Aubrey Jane Adds...

My daughter Emma Rose is in 4th grade this year, and I'm excited to have my younger daughter Aubrey here in kindergarten as well! Emma Rose enjoyed reading the *Story Thieves* series by James Riley over the summer, and Aubrey is enjoying fairy tale take-offs such as *Ponyella* and *Sleeping Bootsie*.



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 \(www.arbookfind.com\)](#)

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.

Blast Off and Read! Summer Reading Celebration

