

What's New @ Your Library?

BOOK FAIR OUR BEST EVER!!

Thank you *so much* to the Parent Council for their help with the setting up and taking down of the Scholastic Book Fair. Specifically, I would like to thank Zee Oliveira, Inga Djaroyan, Olya and Krystsina Miatselskaya, Lesley Barber and Kevin Strother, Sky and Elli Roy, Stef Hatcher, Sandra Corr, and Madeleine More, who helped with the set up. We had many student volunteers during the fair. They showed a real commitment to all of their tasks and their help was much appreciated. I would also like to acknowledge Mme Studley and Ms. Whitworth for their valued assistance during the fair.

It was our best fair ever in terms of sales. Last year, the sales were just over \$5600 (our previous record.) This year, our sales were \$5979.35!! What does that mean for the Library, you ask? I was able to buy 95 books from the fair and I still have \$1187 to spend with Scholastic and \$1000 to spend from other sources.

If you would like to make a suggestion or two about how the money should be spent, recommendations are always welcome!

SPECIAL DISPLAYS THIS MONTH

- Honesty
- Purim (March 5)
- Holi (March 6)
- St. Patrick's Day (Mar. 17)
- Naw Ruz (March 21)
- Spring
- Earth Hour (Mar. 27 at school & Mar. 28 at home)
- Maple Syrup
- New books



A VIRTUAL LIBRARY SITE TO CHECK OUT

NoveList K-8



can be accessed from the Online Databases list.

You need the login and password for home use, which can be found in the Student Agenda on pages 9-11. Please see Ms. Gorman if you need help.

From this database, you can

search for books by author, subject, title, age range, and plot. If you really liked a certain book and would like to read others like it, NoveList will give you suggestions. You can also find reviews, plot summaries, lexile information and links to other resources.

Reading can be a way to empower, inform, challenge, heal, or entertain.

OUR SILVER BIRCH TREE IS GROWING!

I hope that you have noticed our “Silver Birch Tree” growing outside the Library. There are leaves for each Silver Birch book read by an Eglinton student. There are still five and a half weeks left until voting day on **April 23rd.**

Remember that you need to read at least five books in a category to vote for your favourite book.

AUTHOR VISITS AT EGLINTON

Last month, we had a surprise visit by Penny Draper, thanks to Mme Bettin. The grade 5 students who attended were very inspired by her talk about writing historical fiction set in Canada. Since her visit, her books have been consistently in demand.

In April, Ms. Whitworth has arranged for two authors to visit the school. On April 2, Rebecca Upjohn will be doing a presentation for our kindergarten to grade 2 students. Ms. Upjohn has written many award-winning books, including Lily and the Paper Man, The Last Loon, and The Secret of the Village Fool.

Then, on April 16 and 17, Claudia Dávila will do presentations for our grade 3 to 6 students. Claudia Dávila draws comics and children’s books. We have three books written and illustrated by her in the library at this time: Luz Sees the Light, Luz Makes a Splash, and Super Red Riding Hood. We also have a number of books for which she provided the illustrations.

We are fortunate indeed to have the opportunity to meet and learn from these talented people!