

TROY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL LIBRARY NEWSLETTER



May 2026

Spring Concert on 5/13/26 - 5:00 P.M.
Dress Rehearsal - 8:30 A.M.

Meet the Author, Karma Wilson



Providing the students with the author's picture and fun facts about them provides a visual to connect to. Following story time, students were then given the opportunity to create their own art, inspired by Karma and her books which have been long time favorites in the library.

The students enjoyed learning that Karma grew up in the back woods of North Idaho. They also liked what Karma said was the best advice she'd ever received, "Don't underestimate children. They are far more intelligent, curious, capable, and resilient than we can imagine."

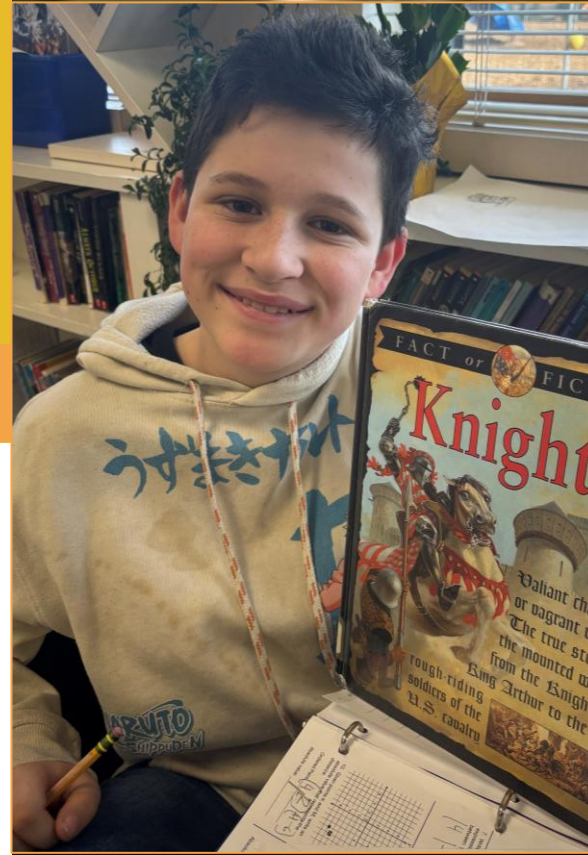


Back to school library party!

After a week of carefree days, coming back from spring break can be a transition. That's why a library party with Oreo cookies and creative storytelling by the students themselves lightened the mood and motivated class engagement

TES Handbook, Snack List, Page 25

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On behalf of TES, our deepest gratitude goes out to the Nez Perce Tribe for the generous funding of our new outdoor music classroom and playground equipment, made possible through their gaming revenue grant. This investment will allow our children to learn through play, promoting creativity, physical activity, and social engagement in a fresh-air environment. We are truly grateful for the Tribe's continued support of educational opportunities and youth development within our community.

Thank you for your generosity and commitment to our future generations.



Post Testing Library Activities

Students celebrate the completion of their ISAT (Idaho Standard Achievement Test) Tests in the library. Troy ranks among the top performers in Idaho, with proficiency rates above state averages; 75% efficient in core subjects!



Everyday day is Earth Day!



Flutter into Learning: STEM Adventures in our Library

This spring, the library is buzzing – and fluttering with hands on STEM activities. The goal is to spark curiosity, initiate questions, and explore the world around us through books and activities.

In this Life Cycle of a Butterfly craft, students learn the four distinct states of life: egg, caterpillar (larva), Chrysalis (pupa) and adult butterfly.



From Readers to Authors:

Students Make Their Own Books!

All year in the library, students browse the shelves to choose their perfect book; one that they can hold, share and take home. As our students grow in their reading, they also learn to understand the structure of stories. We talk about the beginning, the middle, and the end of stories. The climax, the problem, and the solution. We have Reader's Theatre, Imagination Circles, and study fiction, non-fiction, poetry, tall tales, and much more! All of these library lessons help to boost the student's confidence and give them a sense of ownership over their own reading journey.

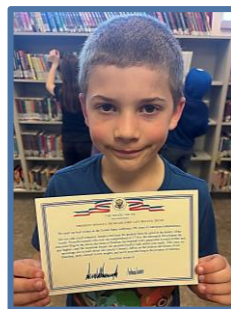
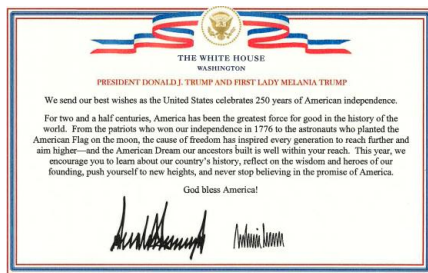
Making their own book is an opportunity for the students to use their imagination and become an artist and an illustrator.



White House Writes Back: Students Hear Back on Presidents Day Letter!

Our President's Day Library lesson celebrated *all* U.S. Presidents, specifically honoring the democratic principles, they upheld. We talked about the schools food drive and how each of us chose the food box for the Superbowl Team that we wanted to win. The box that had the majority of the food, was the winning team! Thus, just like in a real democracy, the majority determined the outcome, and even if it was not the outcome that all students voted for, all were respectful to each other and the process.

Writing the letter, and getting this response was a fun, hands-on lesson about Civic Duty and that our voices and choices matter!



Troy Elementary School
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Dear Students,

Thank you for your wonderful letters!

Mrs. Trump and I always enjoy hearing from bright young people like you from across our great Nation. As President, my promise is to keep America the land of freedom and opportunity, where you can grow, learn, and pursue your dreams. I am committed to making sure that every child in the United States has the opportunity to achieve their own American Dream through hard work, integrity, and dedication.

The White House is a very special place with many beautiful rooms, including the Red Room, Blue Room, and Green Room, which are painted in those colors. I spend much of my time working in the Oval Office in the White House or traveling around the world on a plane called Air Force One to ensure our Nation remains safe and strong.

The future of America is brighter than ever, and with young people like you, I know our country will continue to be the greatest in the world. Always work hard in school and dream big—there is no limit to what you can achieve if you believe in yourself.

Sincerely,

