

TROY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL LIBRARY NEWSLETTER



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Library Skills

The purpose of the library is to provide access to books that will increase reading, viewing, and using information that will create lifelong learners. Solving problems, making decisions, and becoming independent readers are all experiences that are offered in the library.

Library skills are taught throughout the year, and include the simple habits of taking care of print materials, to locating information and knowing where to find books in the Everybody/Picture Books, Chapter Books, Fiction and Non-fiction (Dewey Decimal System) sections of the library.

Some additional skills taught include:

- Check-in/out, and return procedures, shelf markers.
- Book parts: cover, illustrations, spine, title page, title, author, etc.
- Comprehension and recall details of stories recognizing the beginning, middle, and end.
- Understanding the various types of literature which include: fairy tales, biographies, poetry, fables, etc.
- Student use of the electronic catalog.

Library Schedule K-2

TUES.	WED.	THURS.	FRI.
2nd Grade Hazeltine	2nd Grade Renfrow	Kindergarten Heath	1st Grade Fredrickson

Book Care & Reading Tips

- Return books on time
- Keep away from babies
- Keep away from pets
- Keep away from scissors and glue
- Keep away from food and drink
- Don't write or color in the books
- Keep books in a safe place
- Read to your family
- Read every night before bed
- Use a bookmark
- HAVE FUN!



Read about the Summer Reading Challenge on the next page. Congrats to all participants!

Summer Reading Challenge Takes a Bite out of 900 Books!



Summer reading proficiency has been sustained and even surpassed, by these students who participated in the Summer Reading Challenge – “Take a Bite Out of a Good Book!”

Participation in reading programs sets the tone to show students how important reading really is. **Special thanks to everyone for taking the time to read with your student this summer and initial their logs - showing that benchmark reading goals were shared!**



Reading is a great way to strengthen the parent-child bond, and these students and their families hit a home run this summer...way to go!



Book Character Pumpkin Contest!

Help your child celebrate amazing book characters this October in the library! Entry forms are in the library.

Who: K-6 Grade students

When: Monday, Oct 28 - Character Pumpkin turn in

Wednesday, Oct 29-30 - Pumpkins Judging

Thursday, Oct 31 - Winners will be announced

Where: School Library

- decorate a small pumpkin like a character from a BOOK (No carving), and include it in the display.
- Include the completed entry sheet (parents may do this part.)

Winning Pumpkins: Pumpkins will be judged on character representation, creativity, and student work.



Library Lesson Focuses on Nonfiction

- facts and stories about real-life topics
- connects students with the world around them
- fosters critical thinking and information-gathering skills

