

A.S.M. Library News

Keeping You Informed About Your Library Media Center

September Highlights

Surveys, scavenger hunts and shelf-markers - oh my!

The first weeks of school were full of fun times and exploration in the ASM library. All students filled out surveys about their interests - For the older students, this was a written response, while K-2 designed Book Covers of their "Favorite Things".



Grades 3-5 did scavenger hunts around the various sections of the library while K-2 spent time learning and reviewing how to take care of books. Every class also practiced how to respond in the case of emergencies in and around the library.

Banned Books Week was full of questions and conversation about censorship, free speech and what it means to think for oneself. Some thought it might be a good idea to ban some books, others disagreed. Many were shocked to discover that some of their favorite books were commonly challenged and/or banned in schools around the country and world. For a short list, please see the column to the right.

Famously Banned and Challenged Books:

Charlotte's Web

Sylvester and the Magic Pebble

The Wizard of Oz

Harry Potter

Winnie the Pooh

The Lorax

The Giving Tree

A Wrinkle in Time

Charlie and the Chocolate Factory

Where the Wild Things Are

The Hungry Little Caterpillar

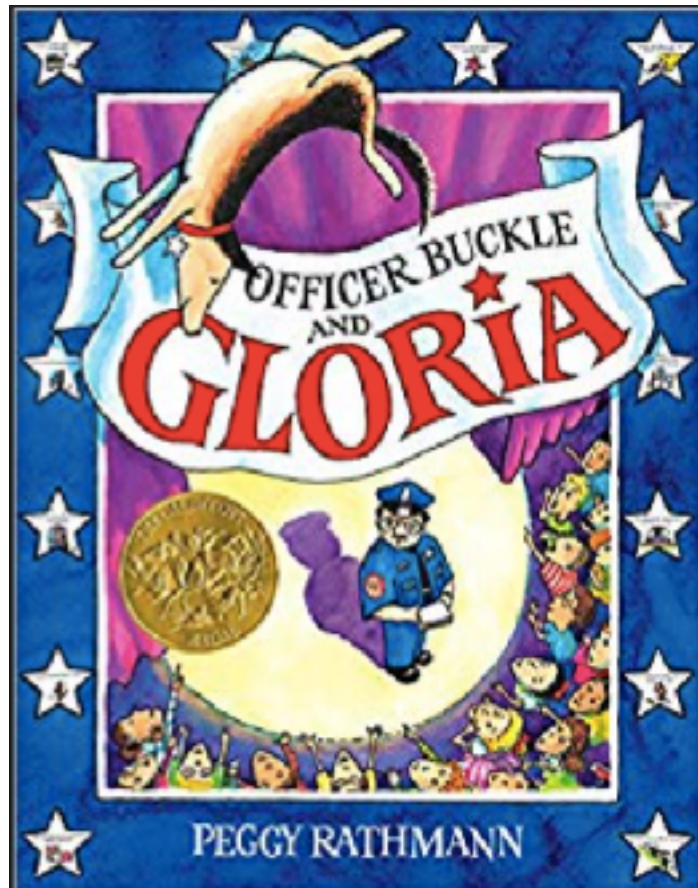
Alice in Wonderland

A Light in the Attic

2018 Banned Books Week was September 23-29

Student Work:

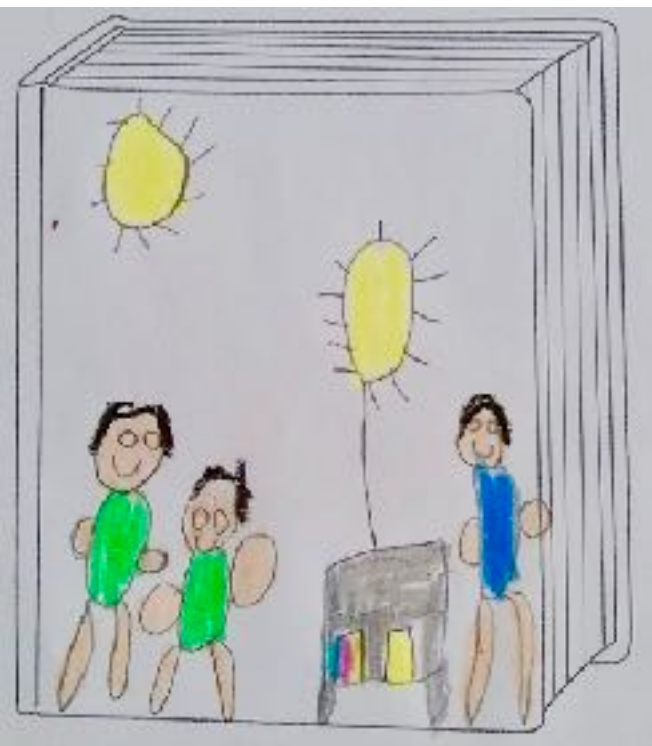
2nd Graders chose scenes from Peggy Rathmann's *Officer Buckle and Gloria* to answer "Wh" questions!



Images: *Top Left* - Mrs. Toppel stands then falls off a swivel chair in her office; *Middle Left:* Officer Buckle gives a safety speech in the auditorium; *Bottom Left:* Officer Buckle sits on the couch and watches himself on the news.

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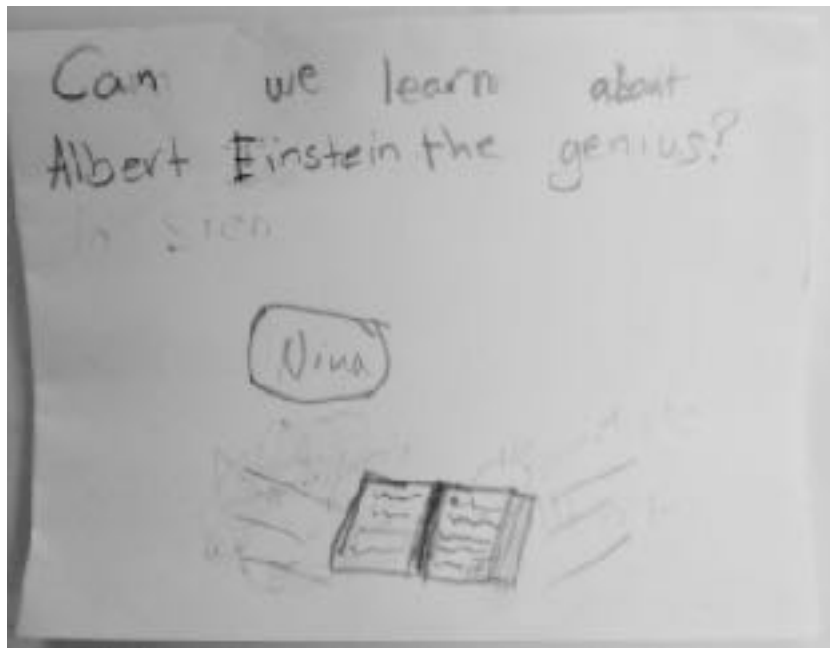
Over the last month, classes participated in various surveys about their interests. Here are some Book covers designed by Kindergarteners and First graders, showing their "Favorite Things".



Images: *Top Left - "Dinosaurs"; Top Right - "Captain Underpants"; Bottom Left - "Getting ice cream with my family at the beach"*

Ask The Librarian

In the ASM library, we are learning the value of asking questions, so we can learn even more. Here is one question from a student:



Q: Can we learn about Einstein the genius? - Nina

A - Absolutely! There is information on Einstein in several databases including Britannica Elementary and BrainPOP! In addition, we have the following print resources in our catalog:

- *On a Beam of Light: A story of Albert Einstein* by Jennifer Berne
 - *Genius: A Photobiography of Albert Einstein* by Marie Ferguson Delano
 - *Odd Boy Out Young Albert Einstein* by Don Brown
- AND. MORE!!

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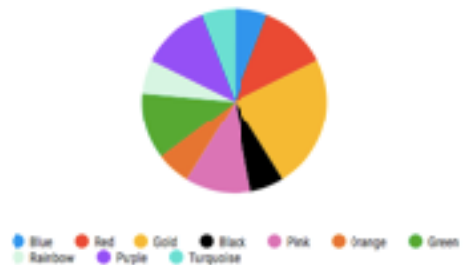
Favorite Colors by Grade

We are learning how Libraries organize information. Here is an example of Information Organization: every month the newsletter will feature the favorite colors of a different grade. Here are the ASM Kindergarteners favorite colors!

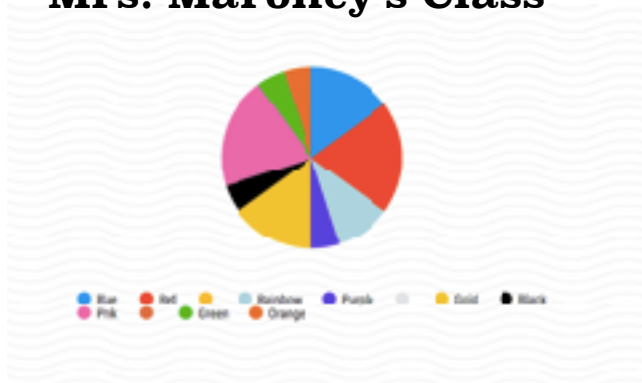
Mrs. Oliver's Class



Mrs. Eckhardt's Class



Mrs. Maroney's Class



Mrs. Leigh's Class



Favorite Colors for All Kindergartens:



blue red Gold Pink purple



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