

Daniel Bagley Library First Trimester Review | K and 1st Grade

Students started the year getting acquainted with the new librarian and some new library policies and expectations. In addition, we have spent some time exploring a few small adjustments to the layout and placement of some of our favorite series books. For Kindergarten students, the first grade expertise and knowledge of the library has been invaluable. Students have listened to stories almost every library day and have had numerous opportunities to record what we have read in their Library Passports. In our passports you will find stickers, drawings, stamps, and more for each book we have read:

- Just Another Ordinary Day by Rod Clement.
- Goldilocks and the Three Dinosaurs by Mo Willems
- Click, Clack Moo, Cows that Type by Doreen Cronin
- Hooray for Reading Day by Margery Cuyler
- Creepy Carrots by Aaron Reynolds
- Monster's Monster by Patrick McDonnell
- The Fantastic Flying Books of Mr. Morris Lessmore by William Joyce

In addition to sharing stories together, we have also had a lesson on Dinner and Dessert books – a concept that carries over from Health and Fitness. Students understood very clearly that the library affords each the opportunity to make good reading choices that fuel our brains as well as those special treats that excite us most about reading. Lessons are tightly planned and students have very little down time while in the library.

In preparation for a much more intense storytelling unit, that will span most of November and December, we will start with examining the many ways the same story can be told through the original work The Fantastic Flying Books of Mr. Morris Lessmore by William Joyce. We will be building our stories, independently or in groups using multiple formats and tools (from pencil and paper to legos and puppets). We will be asking thoughtful questions about story, audience and purpose before we decide the final format of our work. Hopefully before the December holiday break we will be able to share our stories with our classmates.

The Daniel Bagley Library would like to invite you to follow our work online at <http://dbelibrary.edublogs.org/> or on Facebook at <http://www.facebook.com/DBELibrary>. In addition, the library regularly submits articles for the Big Buzz.

Thank you,

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