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STUDENT NEWS

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SUMMER READING PROGRAM

We are very excited to announce our 3rd annual Summer Reading Program! Back again for 2017 and better than ever! This year's Summer Reading Program will run from June 19th to August 28th. Students who register will be challenged to read at least 10 hours over the summer! By doing so, you will be entered in a drawing for a couple great prizes. They are...



**AN AMAZON FIRE
HD 8 WITH COVER**

OR...

**AN IPAD MINI 4
WITH COVER!**



If you would like to double your chances of winning the grand prize, you may also choose to participate in the "10 minute challenge", which challenges you to read at least 10 minutes every day over the course of the Reading Program. By completing this challenge you will receive one additional entry in the grand prize drawing!

NEW THIS YEAR! We will be holding weekly book discussions on the Talking Books Summer Reading Program Facebook page. 2 questions will be posted on Monday, complete one of the questions, post it on the Facebook page by the following Sunday and get entered in a drawing for some great prizes! We are very excited to add this new element to the program. We are hoping this is a way for students to connect with other

students throughout the state, discuss & recommend books and win some prizes while doing so. However, commenting on other student's posts is not required. Parents and teachers can also respond for their students.

For more information about the weekly discussion, including the list of prizes, visit the Summer Reading Program Facebook page at

<http://tinyurl.com/ORSRPfacebook>.

That's not all! Along the way to reaching the 10 hour reading goal you will earn prizes for reaching reading benchmarks.

After reading 2 hours you'll earn a flower pot with basil plant!



This cooler bag is what you'll earn after reading 5 hours!

After reading 8 hours you'll earn this 2 GB Flash drive!



The prizes may be reason enough to register for the Summer Reading Program, but that is not the only benefit that will come from participating. You will also be overcoming the "Summer Slide" which affects students who do not engage in educational activities over the summer. Research has shown that the "Summer Slide" can cause a

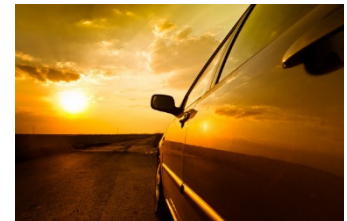
student to lose 2 months of their instructional time or roughly 22 percent of their school year. Reading can help! Help prepare yourself for the next school year and participate in the Summer Reading Program!

For rules and registration see the insert in this newsletter. You may also register online at

www.tinyurl.com/srp2017form.

DID YOU KNOW?

In the United States, over 650 million long-distance summer trips are made.



In the summer heat, the iron in France's Eiffel Tower expands, making the tower

grow more than 6 inches.

In the Northern Hemisphere, summer solstice occurs sometime between June 20 and June 22, and between December 20 and December 23 in the Southern Hemisphere.

Popsicles, a popular summer treat, was accidentally invented by an 11-year-old boy in San

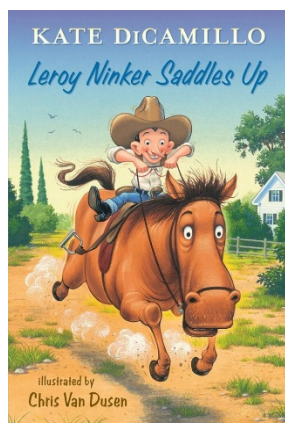
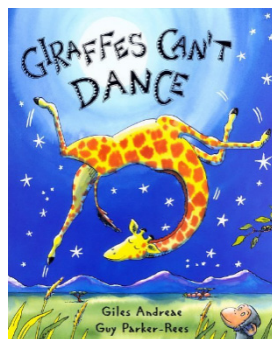
Francisco in 1905. He left a glass of soda sitting outside and by the next morning the soda had frozen.



RED HOT READS FOR SUMMER

Giraffes Can't Dance

by Andreae, Giles, DB079890. Gerald the giraffe is too clumsy to dance with all the other animals at the Jungle Dance, until he finds the right music. For grades K-3.



Leroy Ninker Saddles Up: Tales from Deckawoo Drive, Volume 1 by DiCamillo, Kate, DB080240. Leroy Ninker dreams of being a cowboy. He has a hat, a lasso, and boots.

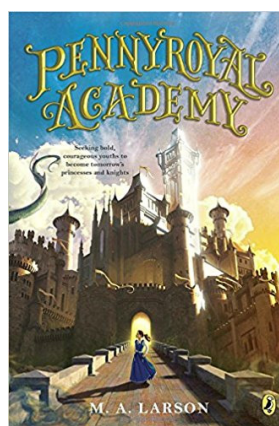
What he doesn't have is a horse--until he meets Maybelline, and then it's love at first sight. But when Leroy forgets a rule when caring for Maybelline, disaster ensues. For grades 2-4.

The Ghastly McNastys; Books 1 – 3

by Gardner, Lyn, DB085136. Books one through three, written between 2013 and 2014, featuring twin pirate brothers Gruesome and Grisly McNasty. In The Lost Treasure of Little Snoring, the pirates discover they aren't the only ones searching for treasure. Includes Raiders of the Lost Shark and Fright in the Night. For grades 3-6.

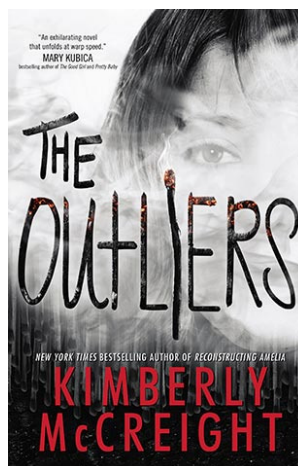
This Kid Can Fly; it's about ability (not disability) by Philip, Aaron,

DB085245. Young artist and disability activist's memoir recounts his inspirational journey. Discusses living with cerebral palsy in New York City, his many challenges, and triumphs such as his popular Tumblr blog, Aaronverse, that has succeeded in raising awareness. For grades 4-7. 2016.



Pennyroyal Academy by Larson, M. A., DB084735. A girl with no memory enlists at Pennyroyal Academy, where princesses and knights are trained to battle witches and

dragons. Under a harsh regimen, the girl, renamed Evie, begins to understand what it really means to be a princess. For grades 5-8.



The Outliers by

McCreight, Kimberly, DB085244. When her best friend Cassie goes missing and then sends a cryptic note pleading for help, Wylie sneaks off to find her, with the help of Jasper, Cassie's

boyfriend. What they discover is beyond their imaginations. Violence and strong language. For senior high and older readers. 2016.



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TOTAL SOLAR ECLIPSE

On August 21, the continental United States will witness a total solar eclipse. The path of totality for this eclipse will pass right across the northern part of Oregon. The total eclipse will be visible for approximately 2 minutes.

There has not been a total solar eclipse in Oregon since 1979, and in preparation of this exciting event NASA has developed and distributed a special tactile guide called *Getting a Feel for Eclipses* (BRX 543). This tactile guide includes raised pictures with Braille labels of how an eclipse works and the full path this eclipse will take from Oregon to South

Carolina. There is even a QR code on the cover that links directly to additional accessible information about the guide in both English and Spanish.

If you are interested in borrowing one of these guides please contact us at 800-452-0292. We have three copies of *Getting a Feel for Eclipses*, and they are available for 2 week loans with no renewals.

OFFICE CLOSURES

Talking Books will be closed on the following legal holidays:

- May 29th – Memorial Day
- July 4th – Independence Day
- September 4th – Labor Day