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LIBRARY DIVINE

> **Great dad-and-kid read alouds:**

Preschool:

No, David

—David Shannon

My Dad

—Anthony Browne

Elementary:

The Commander Toad Series

—Jane Yolen

Clean Your Room, Harvey Moon!

—Pat Cummings

Middle Grades:

Rotten Ralph Series

—Jack Gantos

Time Warp Trio Series

—Jon Scieszka

WSD is excited to have a full time librarian this year! We are able to have the library open from 8:00-3:00 daily. We are working diligently to get the stacks cleaned up and donated books into the system. Ginger Speranza formerly on the elementary team is available daily to help students with book selections.

WSD has also added a curriculum specialist to the ranks this year. Shauna Bilyeu has taken on the challenge of cleaning up, organizing and labeling items in the curriculum lab so teachers have easy access to a variety of teaching materials.

These are new positions

for Shauna and Ginger and they are excited for the challenge of creating a seamless library experience for WSD staff and students.

They are planning several new projects such as the reincarnation of Library Libby, shared read aloud, NanoWriMo (National Novel Writing Month) and reading tutors.

This newsletter is the first of their endeavors. This monthly newsletter will include upcoming Library events as well as reading tips, book suggestions and editorials on literacy. **Ginger and Shauna firmly believe that literacy is the key to success!**

“Few children learn to love books by themselves. Someone has to lure them into the wonderful world of the written word; someone has to show them the way.” —Orville Prescott

A Father Reads To His Child
(Excerpt from **The Read-Aloud Handbook** by Jim Trelease)



READING

Find time to read aloud with your child every day.

WRITING

Let your child see you writing—journals, letters, stories, or poems.

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					Library Libby 10 am		
5	6	7	8	9	10	11	
12	13	14	15	16	17	18	
				Library Libby 10 am	<i>Book Fair begins</i>		
19	20	21	22	23	24	25	
			<i>Book Fair</i>			<i>Open house</i>	
26	27	28	29	30	31		
						<i>Master Museum</i> Special Libby & Guest performance	