



FOREST PARK LIBRARY MEDIA CENTER NEWS (FP LMC)

Dear Parents and Students,

November/December

This is a great time of the year to reflect on the things that we are most thankful for! I am thankful for my family, friends, and good books! I am also very thankful to be your library media specialist! How blessed I am to be able to share the joy of reading with you! Take a moment to count your blessings and to read a good book! There's nothing better!

Our **Fall Scholastic Book Fair** was a great success! The FP LMC earned about \$2000 to purchase books and about \$500 worth of books from the book fair! Thank you so much for shopping your book fair and supporting your Forest Park Library Media Center! Together, we will make the FP LMC the best school library in the LRSD!

We have been having so much fun reading and **Learning in Your FP LMC!** Here's what we've been doing:

- Kindergarten students are reading through the seasons while we learn about fiction and nonfiction, authors and illustrators, and award winning books.
- First, second, and third grade students are participating in the Arkansas Diamond Nominee Project where we are learning about book production, genres, parts of books, elements of nonfiction, story elements, and book critiques.
- Fourth and fifth grade students are also participating in the Charlie May Simon Graffiti Book Club. We are reading and discussing the Charlie May Simon nominee, *Liar & Spy* by Rebecca Stead!
- Fourth and Fifth Grade students will learn how libraries are organized and will learn how to use a library next! We will begin our research lessons next month!
- Kindergarten through Fifth Grade students will vote on their favorite Arkansas Diamond nominee or Charlie May Simon Nominee in March!

One quarter down, three to go!!! Congratulations to all of our fabulous readers who made their **Accelerated Reader** goals! Students received their first quarter prizes the week of Monday, December 2nd! So if you see bracelets, personalized FP book lights, water bottles, erasers, backpack clips and cool Keep Calm and Read On t's, know that your smart reader earned these for their awesome reading skills! Students who earned their AR point goal with at least an 85% average accuracy participated in an extra recess, Friday, October 25th, and students who earned at least 50% of their AR point goal participated in an AR Spirit Free Dress Day, Tuesday, October 29th! Go Fabulous FP AR Readers!!! **Reminder: Last day to take AR quizzes to earn second quarter point goals is December 19th!**

Want to give a gift that keeps on giving? Want to commemorate your child's years at Forest Park? Donate a book to your FP LMC through the **PTA LIBRARY BOOK CLUB!** Your child will choose a book from our stash, and we will place a book plate in the book in his/her honor! Please contact Matty Ross at mom2lots@att.net for more information! Thank you for helping us build an amazing collection in your FP LMC!

Your **FP LMC Hours** are Monday - Friday, 7:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. Feel free to come and check out up to five books with your children, read Accelerated Reader Books, observe Accelerated Reader quiz taking, research on our computers and in our Reference Section, or just cuddle up and read together!

I so look forward to working with you and your precious children! If you would like to help at any of our events, please give me a call (447-4506) or email me (ingrid.graves@lrdsd.org)! Thank you for the opportunity to serve you and your dear children! Hope to see you soon!

Sincerely,
Mrs. Michelle Graves, LMS