Library Information and FAQ's

Students attend library class once a week for a 30 minute class. Students have the opportunity to checkout 2 books at a time and have a maximum checkout limit of 4 items.

Q. What do I do if my child brings home a book above his/her reading level?

A. This is an excellent opportunity to read all or some of the book to your child. If the book is really long, you could look at the pictures together. Ask your child what it is about this book that appealed to them. As children become more skilled readers they will get better at choosing books for more independent reading.



Q. What should I do if my child brings home an overdue notice for a book I'm sure was already returned?

A. Many times children will return books to school but forget to bring them to the library. Occasionally, our barcode scanner misreads a barcode and the book is sitting on the shelf still checked out. The LMC paras do check the shelves before sending home notices, but we will gladly check again. Please contact the LMC director if you keep getting notices for an overdue book your child has already returned. The LMC does not charge fines for overdue books.

Q. What if my child damages or loses a book?

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- A. The library staff will gently talk to a child who has returned a damaged book. A note or email will be sent home regarding the damage. We ask that the child make some type of restitution for the damaged item. This may be paying for the damaged item, replacing the book or "doing something nice for the library," depending on the amount of damage. We stress having students taking responsibility for the damage and we feel that replacing the item creates the most tangible lesson. If a book is lost, a replacement of the exact title or a similar title is preferred. Please ask the LMC director for suggestions. Only books with a copyright within the last two years or books that are very popular will be considered for replacement. The LMC does maintain an Amazon Wishlist. An item from the wishlist or from a Scholastic book order would make an excellent replacement item.

Q. What if my child returns a book to the LMC that belongs to the public library or accidently returns a WSES to the public library?

A. No worries! The books will eventually end up in the right places. The scanners at both libraries will not read each others barcodes, so the library staff will set those books aside. The LMC director will deliver any public library books returned to the school LMC and pick up any books belonging to the school library.

Reading to your child includes many benefits, such as improved:

Imagination - Vocabulary - Attention Span - Listening Skills - Grammar - Success in Reading