



The West Linn & Wilsonville Public Libraries Present



THE WEST LINN-WILSONVILLE PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

At West Linn Public Library in January!

STEM Take & Make Kits - Wind Power Pick up is January 9th - 15th.

Want to make something fun while learning at the same time? Grab a bag of items for a specific STEM activity you can create at home! Registration is required to pick up your Take & Make kit.

Ozobot Take & Code Kits Pick up is January 30th - February 4th.

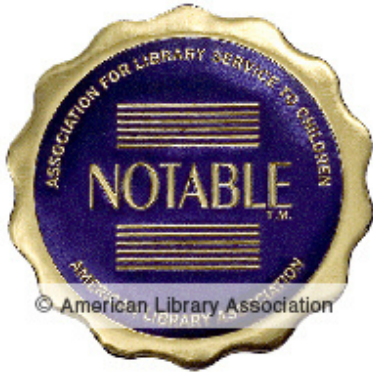
Want to learn to code a robot? Take home one of our fantastic Ozobot Evo coding robots and use the color code method to solve puzzles and play games. We provide some templates and the markers you will need for this simple for of coding. Registration is required.

Family Empowerment Center Café is January 26th at 10:00am.

Join us and learn about the Family Empowerment Center's resources and services, as well as ways in which the community can partner with the district to help families. Registration is required.

Did You Know?

Notable Children's Books



Each year a committee of the Association for Library Service to Children (ALSC), a division of the American Library Association, identifies the best of the best in children's books. According to the Notables Criteria, "notable" is defined as: Worthy of note or notice, important, distinguished, outstanding. As applied to children's books, notable should be thought to include books of especially commendable quality, books that exhibit venturesome creativity, and books of fiction, information, poetry and pictures for all age levels that reflect and encourage children's interests in exemplary ways. The current year's Newbery, Caldecott, Belpré, Sibert, Geisel, and Batchelder Award and Honor books automatically are added to the Notable Children's Books list.

At Wilsonville Public Library in January!

Family Storytime at the Barn on Thursday January 13th, 20th, and 27th at 10:30am

Dress for the weather and join the Youth Services Librarians at Stein-Boozer Barn at Memorial Park for storytime. Or watch a recording of the Storytime in the comfort of your own home on the library's [YouTube Channel](#)

The 2021 Winter Reading Challenge from January 3rd through February 28th.

A reading challenge for all ages! Complete the Bingo and Reading challenges and get entered into a fun prize drawing!

StoryWalk at Town Center Park featuring *Ten Ways to Hear Snow* by Cathy Camper

A StoryWalk is a fun way to enjoy reading and the outdoors at the same time. Stroll down a trail and discover a fantastic story!

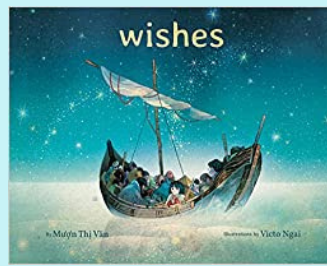


Loving Kindness
by Deborah Underwood

Celebrating connection, compassion, and life, this terrific read-aloud reminds us that mistakes offer an opportunity to learn and grow. Hoppood's superlative illustrations mirror the message to keep our hearts and minds open to everyone's worth in this world.

Simply Wow!

(click on the covers to link to our catalog)



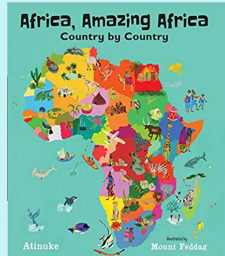
Wishes
by Mạon Thị Vãn

A beautiful and harrowing story about those seeking refuge, as well as a story about loss, hope, and new beginnings. Simple text is heartened by the exquisite illustrations that play with light and color to manifest the myriad of emotions on each page. Ultimately, a chronicle of strength.



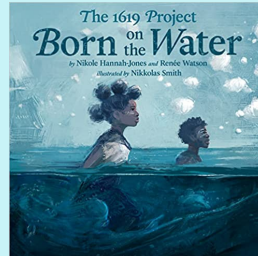
Home for A While
by Lauren H. Kerstein

A gentle read about being in foster care told through the lens of both the foster parent and the child. We glimpse the internal dialogue of the child as we witness the warmth and patience of the adult. An important story acknowledging a not-often-discussed topic.



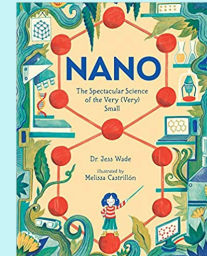
**Africa, Amazing Africa:
Country by Country**
by Atinuke

Detailing the history, culture, landscapes, and interesting facts of 55 specific countries, we are invited to learn the beauty and diversity of Africa. A vibrantly illustrated gem of a book that honors this amazing continent.



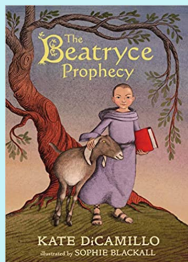
Born on the Water
by Nikole Hannah-Jones
and Renée Watson

This tribute to the history of Black Americans is the picture book version of Hannah-Jones *1619 Project*. Told in poems that create a narrative both joyful and haunting, and coupled with deeply expressive illustrations, this text is full of history, hope, and resilience.



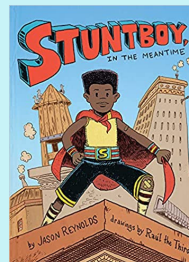
**Nano: The Spectacular Science
of the Very (Very) Small**
by Jess Wade

Authored by a physicist, this unique book easily explains how everything is made from atoms. We learn how the discovery and application of new nanomaterials could improve our world. For any science lover, young or old!



The Beatryce Prophecy
by Kate DiCamillo

A formidably hard-headed goat (sure to win your heart) finds a mysteriously bedraggled young girl asleep in her pen. DiCamillo delivers another timeless classic set during the Medieval times with a cast of unforgettable characters exploring the themes of betrayal, loyalty, and love.



Stuntboy, In the Meantime
by Jason Reynolds

From acclaimed author Jason Reynolds comes a heartfelt, hilarious, and hopeful story about being a kid, and in particular, a kid with anxiety. Illustrations by Raul the Third capture the emotion and intelligence of this engaging hybrid novel.



**Blancaflor: the Hero
with Secret Powers**
by Nadja Spiegelman

This richly illustrated graphic novel flips the traditional tale of a damsel in distress on its head with its smart, kind, and powerful heroine. A timely and enchanting retelling of the Latin American folktale.