

Redmond Elementary Specialist Report

Music, PE, Library



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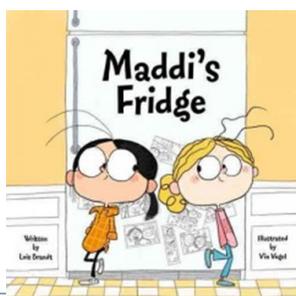
Library:

It's hard to believe it's December already! There has been a lot of new learning happening in the library. In Kindergarten, 1st and 2nd grade, we have been reading many titles from the Washington Children's Choice Book Awards. Each year 20 titles get nominated for voting. Students will vote on their favorite book in April. Many of these titles end up being nominated for national awards as well. 3rd, 4th and 5th grades have been using their laptops to access the library catalog, research databases for informational writing, and learning about how to properly cite the information they find.

On December 6th, we have the good fortune to welcome Lois Brandt to Redmond Elementary to speak to students. Lois is the author of *Maddie's Fridge*, a story about childhood hunger. The younger kids are reading the book and learning about the purpose behind the school food drive. Our winter food drive will take place from now until December 15th.

As the wet weather continues, please remind your students that they must take care for their library books. Many books have been turned into the library wet and cannot be repaired. Help your child avoid a replacement fine by reminding them to keep library books in their backpacks, under coats or in plastic bags while outside.

Mrs. Jones



PE:

We have wrapped up our Underhand Tossing Unit in P.E.. Students spent several class periods tossing to targets at varying distances, tossing beanbags for accuracy, and they also participated in several team games. Currently, we are introducing our students to the Omnikin Ball. The Omnikin Ball Unit is one of our fa-

vorite P.E. activities and we love watching our students have fun with it too. This unit will take us all the way up to the break. We hope that all of our students participate in various physical activities during the break, enjoy friends and family, and get ready for some more fun and learning in P.E. in 2018.

Mrs. Chester and Mrs. Lane

Music:

As we wrap up 2017, the students are wrapping up many of the concepts and skills they have been working on throughout November. 1st graders are practicing with ta and titi, and so and mi; Kindergarteners are working on keeping a steady beat. 2nd grade students are learning to read half notes, while 3rd graders learn the pitch re. 4th graders are learning low la while working on recorders, and 5th graders are continuing to practice the chords G, D7, and C on the ukuleles.

cert this year! 2/3 Quest will be performing on February 8th, 3rd and 4th grade on March 22nd, 1st and 2nd grade on May 10th, and 4/5 Quest and 5th grade on June 7th.

You can always find more detailed information about what each grade level is working on, on the PowerSchool site for music for your class!

Mrs. Anderson & Mr. Sloan

Also, don't forget to mark your calendars for your student's con-