LIBRARY AND TECHNOLOGY
March and April 2025

READING MONTH

March is a great month in the library because students check out **so** many books! This year there are yellow prize tickets hidden in books. If students find a yellow ticket in a library book, they can turn it in during Library or Tech for a special prize provided by PAC.
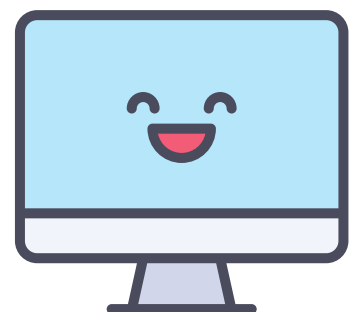
BOOKMOBILE

The Bookmobile will be at school on March 4th and 25th.   Note that the Bookmobile will have very limited stops during MSU's Spring Break week and this will push back our second stop of the month to the 25th.

DIGITAL CITIZENSHIP

Digital citizenship is an important topic to learn throughout elementary school. In class, we talk about digital citizenship as following the Amsterdam Way online.

This month is a great time to talk to your children about your expectations for online behavior. For more resources check out [Common Sense Media](#).

KINDER AND FIRST

Kindergarten will be learning about animal habitats in March and enjoying seasonal books about spring in April. They will continue to work on their early design skills in Technology. As their skill grows, they will create their first Google Slides presentations.

First-grade students will be learning about different animal traits with the wonderful "What If...?" series. They are also building their keyboarding skills throughout March and will be creating with Google Sheets in April.

SECOND AND THIRD

History is the focus of Library classes for these grades in March. Second-grade students will be learning about famous people from history with the series, "Ordinary People Change the World." Third-grade students will continue to journey with Lewis and Clark. In April, second graders will switch to learning about different professions as they imagine redesigning the school as a zoo. Third graders will journey west with different groups of people as they forge a path from Lewis and Clark to Westward Expansion.

In Technology, students in these grades will be practicing research, design, and digital citizenship skills.

FOURTH

In March, students will be completing mini-research activities based on the "I Survived" series. In April, they will begin investigating life in Montana during the pre-reservation era through the lens of the Apsaalooke (Crow) tribe.

Digital citizenship will be the main focus in Technology during March with review of typing, coding, and spreadsheets in April.
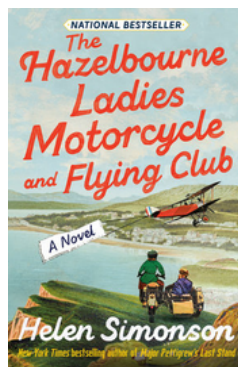
FIFTH

Fifth-grade students will plan a camping trip in March and then begin an inquiry unit focused on the Titanic in March. This gamified learning experience includes reading nonfiction passages, answering questions, gathering clues, using deductive reasoning, and solving a mystery.

In Technology, students will review and increase their digital citizenship skills. They will then work on various design and coding challenges to continue to build their skills.

SIXTH

In Library and Technology, students have begun traveling the world, one continent at a time. They will be researching a country, creating a video on Canva, designing and inputting information onto a website, and tracking real-world expenses using Google Sheets. This multicurricular unit uses skills that students have been building throughout their years of Tech.

WHAT HAS MISS B BEEN READING?

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