

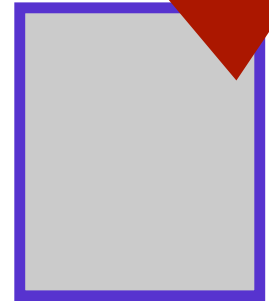
King & Amigos School Library

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HAPPY EXPLORING!

Happy Almost Spring!

We feel so lucky to serve a supportive community of students, families and staff. In a time when so many communities no longer have professional librarians teaching and running their libraries or have closed their school libraries, we appreciate your support. It is our pleasure to work with your children.



Still buzzing during the winter months

The library continues to buzz with activity from students, teachers, and tutors. And no wonder. . .

- We are the only library that serves two schools in Cambridge.
- We have books in three languages: English, Spanish and Chinese. Our collection totals 16,659 volumes.
- Students may borrow kids magazines from the library.
- Many parent storytellers have joined us this year.
- Our Eric Carle rug in the read aloud area is the warmest spot in the building. Come in and read with your child before or after school.



Some recent library activities...

April 11 we will host poet, Paul Janeczko. He will meet with the Amigos 4/5 and King 3-5.

Linda Schwetz won a grant for \$500 to purchase books in Spanish to be borrowed by families. The book bags will be housed in the library.

We always need volunteers to shelve books, work on displays and other library projects.

- King 2nd graders worked on researching sea animals prior to their trip to the New England Aquarium.
- King 3rd graders are researching Greek myths and Greek gods/goddesses. They are making comic books and scroll books to share their findings.
- King 5th graders learned Native American stories to retell to the kindergarteners.

Amigos 2nd graders learned family stories by interviewing adults at home. Ralph and Sarah are creating an iMovie for families to view later in the year.

Amigos 3rd graders are researching famous people from Massachusetts' history using library resources.

King and Amigos

Fourth and Fifth graders participated in voting for the Massachusetts Children's Book Award winner. In our library, *The Other Side of the Island* by Allegra Goodman was the winner. State winner to be announced soon!

K-3 enjoyed reading the Caldecott Winners – *A Sick Day for Amos McGee*, *Interrupting Chicken*, and *Dave the Potter*.

Storytelling

This coming August I will participate in a storytelling workshop in the Berkshires. I have always done storytelling with my classes, but I'm looking forward to getting some pointers and improving my skills.

Hopefully your family has been able to take advantage of some of the storytelling activities going on around Cambridge. They are all part of the StoryStream initiative by the Cambridge Public Library.

Spring Cleaning

We take donations. If we can use them, we'll catalog them and put them on the shelves. If we can't use them, we'll put them in good hands 😊