

# King/Amigos School Library News

October 2010

**Dear King & Amigos School Staff Members,**

It's hard to believe that we are already in the month of October! Here at the library we are in full swing with teaching classes and integrating information literacy skills with the curriculum.

## Events going on in our library:

**Massachusetts Children's Book Award (MCBA)** The 35th annual book awards sponsored by Salem State College to encourage students in grades 4-6 to continue reading.



**Cambridge Middle School Book Award (CMSBA)** This is the 2nd annual book awards for students in grades 7 & 8. A list of books generated *by students for students*.

We have already begun talking to classes in these grades about the MCBA and CMSBA. Once students have read at least five books, they will cast their vote. Ballots are available in February & March. Please stop by the library to look at our displays and lists of books. We look forward to having students tell us which is their favorite book or talk about the titles they have read!

## FYI

If you have students who would like to check out a book outside their scheduled library time, they are more than welcome to come to the library when both librarians are on deck. On Mondays and Wednesdays from 8:30-2:30 and Fridays from 11:30-2:30 there are two librarians. Please limit 2 students per class at a time as we serve two schools.

## ATTENTION TEACHERS!!!

**You DON'T have to do it all alone.  
LET US HELP!**

Did you know that we can integrate information literacy skills with research projects you have already developed? Please stop by the library and fill-out a checklist to better support your students.

**Let's support our 21st Century Learners!**

## New in the TECH world (or maybe just new to you!)

We have all seen or used PowerPoint or for MAC users, Keynotes. Have you ever heard of Prezi? Prezi is a FREE online tool!! It allows you to insert images, videos, and sounds into an online slide show. Stop by the library and I can show you how to get started.

## Events around the neighborhood, some near and some across the Charles!

Oct. 8th (6-10pm) Kate DiCamillo Film Screening @ the Somerville Theatre. Order your tickets by calling or visiting Porter Sq. Bookstore only \$5 adm. - includes film and Q & A signing event

Oct. 12th (7-9pm) Poetry Slam - Poetry @MIT (For more information, please call 617-253-7894.)

Oct. 16th Boston Book Festival <http://www.bostonbookfest.org/>

Now until Oct. 17th Wicked @ The Boston Opera House - save on taxes by purchasing at the ticket booth. Don't forget to read the novel by Gregory Maguire, before or after the play.

Please let us know how we can assist you and your students!

**Sincerely,  
Sarah & Melisa**



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