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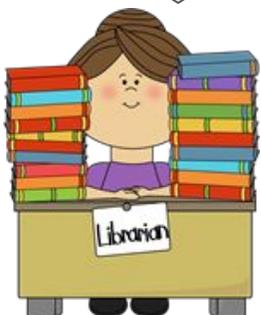
Reading resources and information for Marley families

National Poetry Month takes place each April as a way to increase awareness and appreciation of poetry. It was introduced in 1996 by the Academy of American Poets. In this month's newsletter, you will discover recommended poems as well as novels written in verse. Do you have a favorite poem? If so, please share it [here](#).

Earth Day is April 22nd. This day is set aside each year to demonstrate support for environmental protection. It is recognized all over the world. Check out the Earth Day article linked on the next page.

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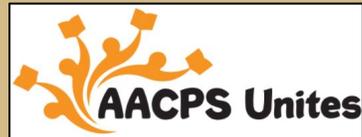


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How can I help my struggling reader at home?

If your child is an emerging reader, you can support him or her at home. You can read *to* your child, read *with* your child (share the reading of a book), and/or listen to an audiobook together. Any way you choose to read with your child will strengthen his or her fluency. If you talk about the story throughout, you will also support their comprehension. If you want a more structured approach, check out the [Student Centered Activities](#) created by the Florida Center for Reading Research.

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Each month, a new set of books will be shared around a specific theme. April's theme is **Inspire Stewardship**. There are four recommended novels for middle school. Consider reading one of these books or another book centered around the theme of inspiring stewardship. Participate in our [reading challenge](#) for a chance to win your own copy of a featured novel!

NCTE's Excellence in Children's Poetry Award



designed by Karla Kuskin

The National Council of Teachers of English created an award to recognize poets who write for children from ages 3 - 13. This award is given to an outstanding poet every two years. Each year the committee creates a list of notable poetry and novels in verse. We have several poetry books that made the 2020 list in the digital collection on MackinVIA. Check one out today!

Reading Resources



Click on the book stack for NCTE's 2020 Notable Poetry List.

Earth Day Article

Read the article to learn how "Small Groups Can Make Lasting Impacts on Plastic." Our school has been participating in the TREX program to recycle plastic bags. Reach out to your counselor to see how you can help too.

Click on the computer to get to the featured article.



Author Spotlight

Kwame Alexander

Click the photograph to find out more about Kwame Alexander and his most popular books!