



2012 Fall Early Literacy Newsletter

Jan Brett is coming to town!



Mark Your Calendars - Children's book author and illustrator **Jan Brett** will be

coming to Corvallis on **October 20th** to promote her new book *Mossy*. Come see her at the **Corvallis High School Theatre** from **5 to 7 pm**.

Jan is a prolific author and her detailed illustrations make her books a delight to pour over. Here are some of her books to explore:



The Mitten
The Umbrella
Hedgie's Surprise

Gingerbread Baby



The Mother's Day Mice



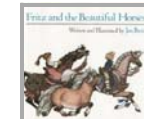
Daisy Comes Home

The Three Little Dassies



The Three Snow Bears

Town Mouse, Country Mouse



Fritz and the Beautiful Horses

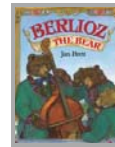
Annie and the Wild Animals

Comet's Nine Lives

The Hat



Berlioz the Bear
First Dog



Honey, Honey - - Lion! A Story from Africa

Christmas Trolls
Hedgie Blasts Off



Armadillo Rodeo
Beauty and the Beast



Jan Brett's Snowy Treasury

Please visit Jan's website at www.janbrett.com.

Corvallis High School Theatre
Oct. 20th 2012
5-7 p.m.

Library Card Sign-up month

September is National Library Card Sign-Up month. If you live or work in the Benton County Library Service District, you can visit your branch library to sign up for a free library card. Or visit us at www.thebestlibrary.net. Follow the links: "Library Links"—"About Your Library"—"Get a Library Card".

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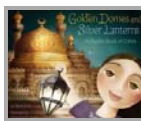
Staff Favorites

Curtis'
Pick:



Just One More
by Tracey Corderoy

Dana's
Pick:



Golden Domes and Silver Lanterns: Muslim book of colors by Hena Khan

Heidi's
Pick:



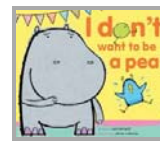
Rocket Writes a Story by Tad Hills

Kristin's
Pick:



What Little Boys Are Made Of by Robert Neubecker

Peik-Kuan's
Pick:



I Don't Want to be a Pea by Ann Bonwill

Robin's
Pick:



Miss Annie Freedom! by Frank Le Gall

Ruth Rose's
Pick:



Moonlight by Helen Griffith

Introducing Non-fiction to Preschoolers by Dana Campbell

A few tips for selecting juvenile non-fiction books (JNF):

The **juvenile non-fiction collection (JNF)** is



arranged in Dewey Decimal Order which is like counting from 000-999. The numbers put the books on the shelves by categories. Once you find the subject's dewey number, you have access to information in the juvenile and adult non-fiction collections, and in the juvenile and adult non-fiction DVD collections. All levels of juvenile non-fiction are interfiled.

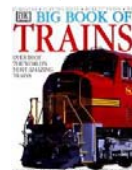
A well written non-fiction book for preschoolers has sharp photographs and simple text. Juvenile non-fiction

shares information rather than tells a story. Current high demand subjects for young children include *wild animals* (590s) *frogs* (597) *dinosaurs* (567) *the planets* (520) *cars, trucks, airplanes* (629) and *pets* (636.) There are several early reader non-fiction series in the juvenile non-fiction collection. Popular series include **Dorling Kindersley Readers**, **National Geographic Readers**, **Scholastic Readers** and **We Both Read**. Another popular collection for preschoolers is the **Oversized Juvenile Non-fiction Books**. These are **BIG** books with large photographs.

Juvenile non-fiction books support early literacy. They build vocabulary;

expand a child's core of knowledge and build comprehension skills. Be sure to talk with your child about the book as you read. If your child asks something which you do not know the answer, share the joy of learning together. This is great modeling for learning. Many of the newer juvenile non-fiction books include back matter which includes information about the topic, hands-on activities and web pages to explore.

Next time you visit the library be sure to explore the juvenile non-fiction collection. Not finding what you want? Please ask!



Spooky fun—Monster Tales

Five Ugly Monsters—E Arnold, Ted
Tickle Monster—E Bissett, Josie



Go Away Big, Green Monster— E Emberley, Ed
Into the Castle—E Crebbin, June

The Great Monster Hunt— E Landa, Norbert



A Beasty Story— E Martin, Bill



The Hallo-wiener— E Pilkey, Dave

Dogzilla—E Pilkey, Dave

Scardy-Cat, Splat—E Scotton, Rob

The Foggy, Foggy, Forest— E Sharratt, Nick

Dexter Bexley and the Big Blue Beastie— E Stewart, Joel



Pumpkin Trouble—E Thomas, Jan



Can You Make A Scary Face—E Thomas, Jan

Boogie Nights—E Wheeler, Lisa

Your Pal Mo Willems Presents Leonardo the Terrible Monster— E Willems, Mo



The Little Old Lady Who Was Not Afraid of Anything—E Williams, Linda

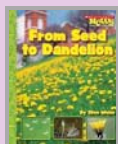
E-Resource for Parents, Caregivers and Educators



Scholastic BookFLIX is an online literacy resource that pairs video storybooks with related non-fiction eBooks. It is geared towards children in preschool—3rd grade. A selection of books are available in Spanish as well as English. You can access BookFLIX from home or from the library through the Corvallis library's website for kids at www.thebestlibrary.net/kids. Follow the directions for logging on from the webpage. You will need your library card number to login from home. Examples of picture books and nonfiction books that are paired include:



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Why “Read” Wordless Books ?

How can children benefit from “reading” picture books that tell the story through images alone? In order to evaluate how wordless books can be used, a team of teachers were asked to introduce wordless books into their classroom’s reading corner. The children were observed to:

- pay greater attention to the details in the pictures,
- tell the story from different points of view,
- talk more about the books, which resulted in “higher levels of language use and story comprehension”,

- Ask open-ended questions,
- Describe events in own words,
- More freely interpret what may be happening with the characters in the book,
- Write and draw more often, “giving the teacher more opportunities to model writing through dictation”.

(source: *Earlychildhood NEWS* article by Leslie Ross-Degnan, M. Ed., and Christina Silvi, M.A., retrieved from archived articles)

Further more, research by Sandra Gilliam, Ph. D. and Lisa Boyce, Ph. D. from Emma Eccles Jones College of Education and Human Services at Utah

State University, found that mothers used “more complex language when they shared wordless books with their children” as compared to when they talked about books with words.

Young children who cannot read yet or for whom English is not their first language, gain self confidence when making up their own story to go along with the pictures. Parents can use their creativity to enhance the story as well! “What would happen if the story went like this instead...?”

So remember to add wordless books to your list of books to explore!

Wordless Picture Books (Stories without words)

Treasure Bath— E Andreasen, Paul

Last Laugh—E Aruego, Jose



Zoom—E Banyai, Istvan

The Snowman—E Briggs, Raymond

You're a Good Dog, Carl— E Day, Alexander

Pancakes for Breakfast— E DePaola, Tomie

Un-brella—E Franson, Scott

Bee & Bird—E Frazier, Craig



Ice—E Geisert, Arthur

Rosie's Walk— E Hutchins, Pat

Wave—E Lee, Suzy



Train Stop—E Lehman, Barbara

A Boy, a Dog, a Frog, and a Friend—E Mayer, Mercer

Picnic—E McCully, Emily

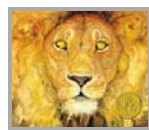
Sea of Dreams—E Nolan, Dennis

Wonder Bear—E Nyeu, Tao

The Surprise—E Ommen Sylvia

Snow Day—E Peddle, Daniel

Lion and Mouse — E Pinkney, Jerry



A Ball for Daisy— E Raschka, Christopher

Blackout—E Rocco, John

Chicken Thief— E Rodriguez, Beatrice



Time Flies—E Rohmann, Eric

Where's Walrus—E Savage, Stephen

Breakfast for Jack— E Schories, Pat

Follow Me—E Tafuri, Nancy

Chalk— E Thompson, Bill

The Tree House— E Tolman, Marije



Floatsom—E Wiesner, David

Last Night—E Yum, Hyewon

Early Literacy Activities

1. Make a scrap book with pictures from a trip or activity such as going to the pumpkin patch, ask your child about the pictures and write down her story.
2. Have your child tell you about

what's happening in the wordless picture book, and write down what he says on sticky notes. Attach the notes to the pages and read to your child. You can make different versions of the

story by using different colored sticky notes.

3. Make black and white copies of a familiar book with a simple plot, let your child arrange them in sequence from beginning to end.



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PARENTING PICKS



The Preschooler Problem Solver: Helping your preschooler cope with everything from the new baby and starting school to moving and family crises

Parent 649.123 Baicker-



Your Baby in Pictures : The new parents' guide to photographing your baby's first year

778.925 Koh



The Mom 100 Cookbook : 100 recipes every mom needs in her back pocket

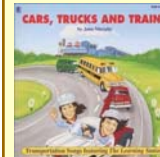
Parent 641.5 Workman

MUSIC PICKS



Tag, You're It! - The Not-Its!

J CD 781.58 Not-Its!



Cars, Trucks and Trains: Transportation songs featuring The Learning Station

J CD 781.58 Learning

At the Corvallis-Benton County Public Library...

Man With The Yellow Hat

First Saturday of the month at 11a.m. Storytime for kids ages 0-3 and their dads or father figures.

La Fiesta

Second Saturday of the month at 11a.m. Bilingual Storytime in English and Spanish, and crafts for families of all ages.

On **October 13th**, there will be a special La Fiesta with a **children's piano concert** presented by Corvallis-OSU Piano International. Pianist Jacques Despre's from Canada will be giving a special performance for families and children of all ages.

Family Music Fun

Third Saturday of the month at 11a.m. Music and movement for

families with young children, led by experienced music instructors.

Something Yummy

Second Monday of the month at 7p.m. and **Second Saturday** of the month at 11a.m. Nutrition information and yummy recipe samples put together by OSU Extension Services.

Mother Goose Asks Why

November 15th at 10a.m. A hands-on program that integrates literacy and science, designed for families with preschool-aged children.

Complete the Block Party

October 11th., 10a.m.—2p.m. The Corvallis-Benton County Public Library Foundation will be holding a party with a LEGOs event, behind the

scenes tour and more. To learn more about "Complete the Block", please visit <http://completetheblock.org>.

Storytimes

Bedtime Storytime (All ages)

Mondays at 7 p.m.

Toddler Storytime (Ages 24 months to 36 months).

Tuesdays at 10 a.m.

Infant Storytime (Ages Birth to 12 months).

Wednesdays at 10 a.m.

Preschool Storytime (Ages 3-5 yrs.)

Thursdays at 10 a.m.

Jan Brett's Author Visit

*Please refer to front page story.