



FSMS Library Newsletter

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LIBRARY FUN FACTS

- An average of 112 students per day visited the library on their own (before school, during lunch, and during resource)
- 45 students belong to our Virginia Readers Choice book club, including 22 6th graders!!
- Manga Club continues to be a popular club with 42 students attending meetings

RESOURCE SPOTLIGHT

- Copyright-safe images - [Britannica ImageQuest!](#)
This resource has millions of rights-cleared images with clear information about how to properly cite each image. Note that images download as zip files, so make sure students know how to unzip them

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Library Happenings

The library started out the 2015-2016 school year with joint library and technology orientations for students. All students are once again enrolled in the library's VISION course with access to library announcements, book reviews, and research help. Library orientations were overhauled this year to make use of BYOT and QR codes. Both 6th and 7th grade students this year participated in a scavenger hunt around the library to find and scan QR codes which brought up videos about different areas of the library.

To support OTTW and BYOT at Farmwell, the library has also been involved in co-teaching Digital Citizenship lessons with the 6th grade English teachers and helping coordinate the school's efforts to achieve Common Sense Media Digital Citizenship School Certification with Carol Wenger, our wonderful TRT.

Mary Ivory's and Jessica Morrow's class also came through the library for a series of research lessons related to plagiarism and citation, strategic online searching, and using nonfiction books. Lisa Brunson's 8th grade classes have also come through for research lessons related to website evaluation and our online resources. In our support of OTTW, the library hosted a Skype visit with Elizabeth Madigan's current 8th graders and her former student, Sophia Campello who works with Opportunity International and currently lives in Malawi.

Laura & Sandra have been working closely with the Ashburn Public Librarian, Rorie CoxSteib, in support of each other's library programs. Rorie has visited several times to set students & staff up with library cards. In addition she helped Farmwell secure over 90 One Book One Community books (*A Monster Calls* by Patrick Ness) for student and class use and helped facilitate a discussion with our book club about *A Monster Calls* at our October meeting.



New Books and Resources

If you haven't stopped by the library lately, check out some of our new books and resources:

- [Real-world projects : how do I design relevant and engaging learning experiences?](#) By Suzie Boss *
- [Cartwheeling in Thunderstorms](#) by Katherine Rundell
- [Island of Dr. Libris](#) by Chris Grabenstein
- [The Port Chicago 50](#) by Steve Sheinkin
- [I Am Scout](#) by Charles Shields
- [The Boys in the Boat](#) by Daniel Brown
- [The Great War: Stories Inspired by Items from the First World War](#)
You can see a more complete listing of newer books on [our virtual book shelf](#) (scroll to the bottom)
*MackinVIA e-book username and password are same as your network login and password (same for students)

Upcoming Library Events

- November 6—Author Visit with Wendy Wan-Long Shang (*The Great Wall of Lucy Wu*)
- November 11—Manga Club
- November 16—21—Book Fair
- November 20—Donuts with Dads
- November 24 — Book Club —discussing **Counting by 7s** by Holly Goldberg Sloan
- December 9 — Manga Club
- December 16 — Book Club - discussing **Shadow** by Michael Morpugo