

Keeping You Up-To-Date On What's Going On...

IN THE LIBRARY

JANUARY 2020

Currently 10,008 items

- Last semester, 10,231 circulations! Not Bad!

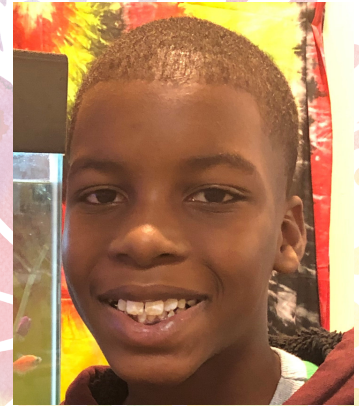


LIBRARY WORKER SPOTLIGHT 5TH BLOCK SHIKAH PATEL

SHIKAH PATEL is very productive in the library and is a grounding member of the fabulous 5th block team! These three workers have an amazing synergy. Stop me in the hall and talk about the word synergy and I will give you Titan Cash. Shikah is in the 7th grade. She is an employer's dream and has employability skills that would rival any adult. She is capable of completing any task I've given her in a high-quality, efficient manner with a great attitude!

LIBRARY WORKER SPOTLIGHT 5TH BLOCK MARIA GRIGGS

Our 8th grade member of the fabulous 5th Block team is Maria Griggs! These three workers truly work to give B Days in the library a fabulous start! Maria is sweet, kind, and has a gentle, endearing personality. She is so so smart and has a ton of strengths that are very much helpful in the library! She also has a great sense of humor! Maria is quiet and fast when it comes to checking out her own books to read!



LIBRARY WORKER SPOTLIGHT 5TH BLOCK KEYLAN WASHINGTON

Keylan Washington is in the 7th grade and is a tremendous asset to the fabulous fifth block team. If you know what it means to be an asset to a team, please tell me and I will give you Titan Cash! Keylan was a library friend in the sixth grade. He loves to read. Amulet books. He has friends and siblings who are also library friends and library workers. I can't wait to see how these three students change our world!

OTM READING FAIR

READING FAIR JUDGED ON JANUARY 24, 2020!

Storyboards can be delivered on January 21st or January 22nd after our Monday, January 20th holiday!

Get ready students and parents!

Teachers are assigning reading fair assignments! For some teachers, it is a required assignment. For other teachers, it is an opportunity for extra credit. For all students, it is a great opportunity to practice doing a great job on a project.

Employability skills like planning, organizing, designing, and executing a quality product are all included in the storyboard display. And don't forget the pride of doing a great job!

READING FAIR INFO

The Madison County School District has complete District Reading Fair Guidelines posted on its website under Department, Curriculum, Reading Fair

The OTM Library (that's us!) has condensed the district guidelines to what is pertinent for middle school. How about you tell me what pertinent means for Titan Cash? You can find these OTM guidelines as well as an even-further-condensed student handout by going to the OTM Library website. Start at otmstitans.com, then click on Library, then Reading Fair!

You can also get a handout from your English teacher or from ME, your librarian.

All OTM students are encouraged to participate in our super-fun, super-creative and highly-acclaimed Reading Fair!

Students get to pick out a book of their choice that will inspire them to make a really great display or storyboard to enter in the reading fair. In the past, judges, teachers and district employees have really bragged on the high quality of our student work. No surprise here, though, because at Olde Towne (aka Old Town) we UPHOLD EXCELLENCE.

Thanks for supporting the Book Fair

Our Barnes & Noble Book Fair was a huge success! Thanks for coming out and supporting us!

NOTES FROM MRS. MCGRAW

CHROMEBOOK REMINDERS! Parents, please know that we have had a lot of power issues this year with 8th grade, 1:M devices. We have also had quite a few cracked screens. Our procedure is that our District Technology Department sends the device back to the vendor for repair. This can take from ten days to several weeks.

Turnaround time seems to be delayed due to holidays and proactive positive technology projects. Students can borrow a Chromebook from their teacher for in-class use.

The library website can be easily accessed from www.otmstitans.com Thanks to Ms. Potee for adding library pictures to the OTMS main page!

There are several opportunities in this newsletter for students to earn Titan Cash.

Come tell me how many items we currently have in the library or how many circulations we had last semester. Parents and students please encourage each other to read books! We have a lot of new great books and recently returned books!