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News & Happenings at the Pope John XXIII Library

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A NOTE FROM THE LIBRARIAN

It's been a great month in the library! Freshmen have been diligently working on their theology research papers in preparation for All Saints Day, speech students have selected poetry and prose to memorize, and American history students have formed study groups to prepare for exams. In October, 64 tests were taken in the library, 25 classes visited, and 343 items were checked out! In November, we are highlighting fantasy and adventure books in anticipation of *The Hobbit* movie set to release in December.

Happy Reading!

Elizabeth Dronet



The Library Unicorn took 1st Place in the faculty costume contest!

HOW CAN I HELP YOU?

Here are some of the library activities that occurred in October.

I am happy to work with you and your classes on the following topics, or anything else you need.

- Delivered booktalks for two of Ms. Pogue's English classes highlighting great books in the library.
- Pulled and reserved a cart of books for the freshman theology research paper on saints.
- Co-taught lessons on building a MLA works cited page. Created MLA "cheat sheets" for the library.
- Co-taught a mini-lesson on memorization for Mrs. Pettit's speech class working on oral interpretation projects.
- Gathered animal encyclopedias and online reference sources for Mrs. Osterman's biology students.
- Delivered a lesson on online presentation tools to Mrs. DeMois Faith Leadership students and linked these tools to the library website.
- Purchased DVDs and books to supplement the English, history, and biology curriculums.
- Added 38 items to the collection; most were requested by staff and students.
- Worked one-on-one with students on writing essays, creating online presentations in VuVox and Prezi, researching, and formatting bibliographies.

DID YOU KNOW?

Online Presentation Tools and Tips are on the Library Website

In October the Faith Leadership students created online presentations for a class project. In response to their needs, the library now has a section devoted to presentation resources including: VuVox, Tiki-Toki, Prezi, PowToon, Jing, and Screener. The resource page includes links to these tools, samples, and videos on how to get started. Find it under the Coursework tab.



TEACHER TECH TIPS



Idea Sketch Free iPad App. Idea Sketch lets you easily draw a diagram - mind map, concept map, or flow chart - and convert it to a text outline, and vice versa. You can use Idea Sketch for anything, such as brainstorming new ideas, illustrating concepts, making lists and outlines, planning presentations, creating organizational charts, and more! Find it in the iTunes store or by clicking this link: itunes.apple.com

Prezi Time-Saving Tip

"Steal" from reusable prezis: "Reuse allows you to share ideas more effectively and helps you get started by saving an editable copy of another user's prezi. Through reuse, you can borrow assets, animations or sound effects you see in another prezi. Select a reusable prezi from the Explore page, then click Make a Copy to create a copy of it in Your Prezis page."

MAGAZINE ROUTING SERVICE:

The library now offers staff the opportunity to read any of the print magazines first before they are displayed in the library. If you would like to join this service, please email Mrs. Dronet with the titles. The magazine will be placed in your box along with a sticky. Cross your name off when you finish reading and pass it on to the next person. Mrs. Dronet will be last on the list.

LIBRARY CIRCULATION STATS:

Fiction-94 Biographies- 114

Nonfiction- 110 DVDs- 7

USB drives-8

Total circulated items year to date: 588 Goal for 2012-13 school year: 1000

REQUESTS:

Please email Mrs. Dronet at edronet@pj23.org with suggested titles for purchase or to reserve the library for a class project, booktalk, or club meeting. Please also email me if you would like any online resources or a link to a livebinder added to the website.



