

# Valleyview Library Newsletter

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## 2nd Graders Choose Award Winners, Host Book Party!

Grade 2 library classes, recently studying Caldecott award winning picture books (awarded as such by the American Library Association for outstanding artwork), spent January evaluating some of 2022's best illustrated books and voted for their favorites to win Valleycott Awards (pictured below). Voting was followed by the 15th annual mock-Caldecott book party, hosted this year at Valleyview School on Tuesday, February 7th for all Oneonta 2nd graders. Over 100 2nd graders rotated through reading stations, enjoying the award winning books also chosen by Riverside & Greater Plains schools!



1st place tie!



## 5th Grade Library Classes Begin Library Survivor Unit!

In January 5th grade library classes began the annual "Library Survivor" unit, a research game loosely based on the popular reality-TV show. Each week student groups, or tribes, have to solve different research challenges and are graded accordingly after presenting their findings to the class. At the finale, the tribe with the most accumulated points will be the "million dollar winner!"



In January the library's "Celebrating Diversity" book display highlighted The Pride Community, while in February we are celebrating Black History Month; 3rd graders have begun a "Countries Around the World" research project; and 4th graders are finishing a project that has them choosing new, female faces for American currency. That's what's up!

## KINDERGARTEN & 1ST GRADERS TRAVEL AROUND THE WORLD W/JAN BRETT!

In January Kindergarten & 1st grade library classes traveled around the world with Author of the Month Jan Brett, going to the rainforest in "The Umbrella," to Africa in "Honey-Honey-Lion!," & the Arctic in "The Three Snow Bears." After reading each book we spent time learning some interesting facts about life in each region. We had a great trip!

