

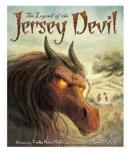




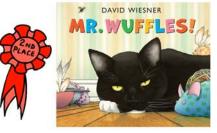
2nd Grade Picks Valleycott Award-Winning Picture Books!

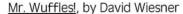
Grade 2 library classes, recently studying Caldecott Award winning picture books (awarded as such by the American Library Association for outstanding artwork), spent January evaluating some of 2013's best illustrated picture books and handed-out their annual Valleycott Awards. The Valleycott Award winners represent what the 2nd graders felt were outstanding examples of picture book artwork. The winners are on display in the library, and all Oneonta 2nd graders will be meeting at Valleyciew School in early March for a book party celebrating each school's Valleycott, Rivercott, & Greatercott Award winners...

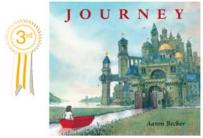




<u>Legend of the Jersey Devil</u>, illustrated by Gerald Kelley, written by Trina Hakes Noble







Journey, by Aaron Becker

5th Graders Begin Library Survivor!

5th grade library classes are set to begin "Library Survivor," a library research game based on the popular TV show! Students will be split into teams, or tribes, and will compete against each other in research challenges, sharing the results of their work during tribal councils and being graded accordingly. The tribe from each 5th grade class

that has scored the most points by the close of the unit will be the \$1,000,000 winners! (Sort of...)



Lately in the Library...

In honor of Black History Month, the library's Author of the Month bookshelf for February features Caldecott-Award winning author & illustrator Jerry Pinkney!

Mrs. Bellen's 3rd grade library class has been researching other countries, and is now creating online presentations with which to showcase their research. Meanwhile, Mr. Sider's 3rd grade library class has been creating online presentations based on classroom research about Brazil!

Mr. Dutcher's 4th grade library class will also be creating online presentations, based on classroom research about Colonial American trades & jobs!