

Valleyview Library

Newsletter



5th Graders Create Online Presentations

Highlighting Multicultural December Holidays!

5th grade library classes spent December researching how other countries celebrate their December holidays, and using their research findings they created online presentations which are available for viewing on the library webpage! The research was done using non-fiction books and the "Culture Grams" database on the iPads, and the presentations were created using the website www.prezi.com. The finished Prezi's highlight how countries such as France, Germany, Australia, Brazil, and others celebrate in ways which are similar to or different from what we are used to. Follow the link on the library webpage or the library's Facebook page to view their work!

1st graders enjoy Thundercake after reading Patricia Polacco book!

In December, 1st graders read Author of the Month Patricia Polacco's true childhood story "Thundercake," in which a young Patricia gathers with her grandmother the ingredients for making a Thundercake while counting down the arrival of an oncoming storm. Polacco



includes the recipe in the book, and so following the story all enjoyed home-made Thundercake!

LATELY IN THE LIBRARY...

In December, Mrs. Andrew's 2nd grade reading group read "Hershel and the Hanukkah Goblins" and each student created an online presentation using www.popplet.com; Mrs. Visnosky's 2ndgrade reading group also created Popplet presentations, based on the book "Freckle Juice." Follow the link on the library webpage to view their terrific work! ❄️ In December, 4th graders 'met' and read about such historical 'tough-cookies' as 16th century astronomer Galileo and 18th century statesman & inventor Ben Franklin, and enjoyed homemade cookies as they did so! ❄️ Thanks to the Zimmer family for their donation to the library of the new picture book biography "Nelson Mandella" by Kadir Nelson, which was on display at the Scholastic Book Fair!

