

Holmes Public Library
Director's Report
August 8, 2017

Happy August!

The Holmes Public Library had a successful Summer Reading Program in 2017. As in past years the Summer Reading Program consists of four weekly programs according to grade entering in the fall. Additionally, there is a weekly Infant Lapsit, Toddler and Preschool Storytime. Each Monday night for the duration of the six-week program there is a special "Monday Night Madness Program". On Friday Morning, August 4th the library hosted our Annual Teddy Bear Tea. A very special Thank you to Marie Coady for creating a beautiful setting for our special guests and their furry friends. Sadly, the Annual Pet Show had to be cancelled due to the weather (sad face). We hope to reschedule this popular program sometime in the fall. Please check out the library's Facebook page for all the awesome pictures posted by Marie Coady. Thank You to Children's Librarian Stacey Beshers for her continued commitment to providing quality programming and her dedication to the children of our community.

For FY18, the Library renewed all their locally owned databases. The owns 6 databases for this fiscal year. They are Tumblebooks, which is a collection of children's books, Mango Languages, Ancestry, Consumer Reports, Axis 360 and Rbdigital Magazine collection (formerly Zinio). Electronic usage for all but Axis 360 is reported on the ARIS Report. Axis 360 is a database of electronic adult books and audio books. These check outs are counted as circulation on the ARIS Report.

The Annual Report Information Survey (ARIS) is in the process of being completed. Online submission of this report closes on August 18, 2017. Some of the highlights of the Report are:

- Overall circulation increased from 44,485 items last year to 44,610 items this year
- The library in house collection size is 64,797 items
- The library received from other libraries 10,277 items
- The library provided 18,196 items to other libraries
- The library community room was used 445 times

Thank You to the Board of Trustees for all you do to help the library and support our wonderful staff.

Respectfully submitted,

Jean Gallant

