



Library Website

Our library has a new website! View it at <http://whittierlibrary.weebly.com/> to find links to many online resources as well as information about our school library. You can also access this newsletter online at the same site.

Cardboard Challenge

Many creative and amazing things were made AND played by Whittier students at our first ever Cardboard Challenge. Thanks to all of the kids who took the time to be creative and all of their parents who supported and helped them in this endeavor! We had a lot of fun playing the cardboard games and looking at the creations on October 4th. Thanks also to the parents who helped to make sure things ran smoothly that day!!





A library is not
a luxury but
one of the
necessities of
life.

-- Henry Ward
Beecher



<http://www.irelibrary.org/images/internet-kids-logo.jpg>

New Research Class at Whittier

We're trying a new research class at Whittier this year for upper grade teachers. Teachers chose from students who were interested to participate in this class. Students in the class are allowed to choose a passion of their own to research and find out more about. They also do research on ways that people are making a positive difference in the world to get ideas for a way that *they* can make a difference. The students will then design and execute a project to make a positive difference in the world.

As this research project is developing, I'm getting more and more excited about the ideas and projects the students are coming up with! We were also able to get a new laptop donated to our school through DonorsChoose.org to help facilitate this new research class.

Regular Research Classes

Mrs. Dalton's and Mr. Johnson's classes are just finishing up with their 6 week block of research class. Mrs. Dalton's class has been researching about the founding of the 13 original American colonies along with how the colonists got along with the Native Americans. Mr. Johnson's class has been doing research on ancient Egyptian inventions and how they still benefit us today. Did you know the ancient Egyptians invented a shadoof? Do you know what this is? They also invented paper, stitches, and discovered that the heartbeat and pulse are related. The students in research class are learning things like how to not plagiarize, choosing good websites for learning, and how to change information from the internet into your own words.