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- Summer Reading Reports due **September 15**.
- Oct. 5-7, Idaho Library Association Annual Conference in Idaho Falls. <http://idaholibraries.org/>
- Nov. 15-16, Idaho's 9th Early Years' Conference in Boise. <http://healthandwelfare.idaho.gov/eyc/Home/tabid/3310/Default.aspx>
- Jan. 20, 2017. ALSC Mini Institute in Atlanta. (Just prior to ALA mid-winter) www.ala.org/alsc/alsc-mini-institute

WELCOME

By Tammy Hawley-House

Don't you just love this time of year? New crayons, fresh pencils and brand new easers mark the beginning of a new year. It is a time to get organized and start the school year with new programs, novel ideas and fresh faces eager to learn. We, here at the Scoop, hope that you are ready to learn and try out new things and share them with us. Please drop us a line anytime so that we can share your stories with others.

ICfL Bids a Sad Adieu to Julie Armstrong

Our dear friend and colleague Julie Armstrong twirled into the Commission like Julie Andrews singing in a meadow atop the Swiss Alps. After four years, Julie is bidding us adieu. Julie began as a VISTA volunteer in 2012 and was instrumental in developing Books to Go, Literacy in the Park, and countless trainings. Her infectious smile, passion for literacy, and commitment to getting books in the hands of kids will forever remain in our hearts and on book shelves of Idaho children everywhere. Please join us in singing so long, farewell, auf weidersehen, good-bye to our very own Julie.



LIBRARY TO LIBRARY

Summer Reading Program Photos:

Aberdeen District Library (below)

Submitted by Stephanie Adamson

This year one Lego was added to the group build for each book read, totaling 10,261! What a great visual of the reading that happened this summer in our community.



Marshall Public Library (below)

Submitted by Kathryn Poulter



Clearwater County District Library: Weippe (below)

Submitted by Dyan Spence

The Weippe Library celebrated the achievements of our Summer Reading participants with the annual Party in the Park. There was a fun ninja scavenger hunt organized by Timberline's librarian, Billi Cooper. Mr. Hunter, the principal, read the kids stories about sports and teamwork and they ate a champion's lunch of hot dogs and chips. Prizes were awarded and every child left with something.



YOUNG ADULT CORNER

Teen Read Week

Teen Read week is around the corner. This year's theme is Read for the Fun of it! Visit [YALSA's official website](#) to get ideas, booklist, publicity materials, the logo and more.

There is still time to encourage teens to vote for their favorite title in this year's [Teens' Top Ten](#) contest. Teens' Top Ten is a "teen choice" list, where teens nominate and choose their favorite books of the previous year! Voting is open from August 15 through Teen Read Week, which is October 9-15, 2016! The Top Ten titles will be announced the week of October 17, 2016



SCHOOL ZONE

Pencils sharpened, names on notebooks, and a brand new box of Crayola's? Must be back to school time and School Zone is back, too! We also have another full season of Low Hanging Fruit and the Non-Fiction Book of the Month (NFBOTM) lined up, and we hope it all will be useful for you, your library, and your school. We love input, so if you have opinions, ideas, or topics that you'd like to see covered in School Zone, Low Hanging Fruit, or NFBOTM, please send them our way!

The Every Student Succeeds Act and the School Library

On December 15, 2015, President Obama signed the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA), which will replace No Child Left Behind (NCLB) effective July 1, 2017. Why is this a big deal for school libraries? Because it is the first time in years that school libraries and school librarians have been mentioned in education legislation. In ESSA they are mentioned a number of times.

<http://libraries.idaho.gov/blogs/jeanniestandall/essa-and-school-library>

Summer Summit 2016 was a Blast!

Forty-six Idaho school librarians had a few days of fun, learning, and community in July in beautiful Coeur d'Alene attending Summer Summit 2016! Tiffany Whitehead, The Mighty Little Librarian, was our fantastic featured speaker, and shared tons of valuable information to take back to school. If she is ever a choice on the conference program, be sure to attend her session - you won't be disappointed!

<http://libraries.idaho.gov/landing/summer-summit-2016-resources-and-presentations>

International Dot Day

You know the book *The Dot* by Peter H. Reynolds? Well, on September 15th-ish, International Dot Day, millions of people will be creating dots to "celebrate creativity, courage, and collaboration! 2016 is Dot Day's 8th year, and it just keeps growing. Check out the details to participate in [International Dot Day](#) with your classes, and then look at the [Celebri-dots](#) at thedotclub.org.

Tech Talk

Tech Talk helps you improve your productivity with Microsoft products and more – and ICfL has a subscription for you! Spend less time figuring out how to complete a task and more time getting it done! Tech talk delivers technical know-how in bite-sized pieces right to your inbox. It takes about five minutes to learn how to do each new task. Really – like five minutes! Plus, there is a big archive to search for a specific skill. Contact Shirley Biladeau at Shirley.biladeau@libraries.idaho.gov to claim your subscription.

News from LiLI - EBSCO and Google Classroom

You might notice a new option in some of the Ebsco databases – a link to Google Classroom! You're most likely to see it in Explora Secondary, Explora Primary, and some of the Ebscohost databases like Academic Search Premier.

Google Classroom is a Google app that, at this time, is only available to Education users. Per the Google Classroom website, it is a tool "that helps teachers create and organize assignments quickly, provide feedback efficiently, and easily communicate with their classes."

The links between Google Classroom and Ebsco lets teachers share articles and content from Ebsco with a class through the Google Classroom app. The brief instructions for teachers can be found at http://support.epnet.com/knowledge_base/detail.php?id=7697.

If educators access Ebsco content through www.lili.org, then this link to Google Classroom is already set up. If you handle the administration of your own Ebsco accounts with direct links from your website, you might need to activate this function. To do so, you must set the profile style for the database to a “school” setting. Instructions to make that change or check your settings are at http://support.ebsco.com/knowledge_base/detail.php?id=7699.

September’s Low Hanging Fruit

It’s a new school year and there are new editions of Low Hanging Fruit coming up. Low Hanging Fruit is a monthly publication that is intended for teachers to receive from their school librarians. It is designed to look as if it comes from you with an article on how the school library and its resources might help teachers, along with digital resources, a practical application, and a LiLI tool related to the topic. On Page 2 of LHF, there is a template that school librarians can use to inform the school’s staff about happenings at the library, new books, reminders, schedules, fun projects, and so on.

September’s Low Hanging Fruit has information on what the ESSA legislation can do to make collaboration between the librarian and teachers productive for staff and student alike. <http://libraries.idaho.gov/low-hanging-fruit>

September’s Non-Fiction Book of the Month

The World of Little House, by Carolyn Strom Collins and Christina Wyss Eriksson, with Garth Williams and Deborah Maze (Illustrators).

Little House fans: this one is for you! <http://libraries.idaho.gov/page/non-fiction-books-month>

UPCOMING EVENTS

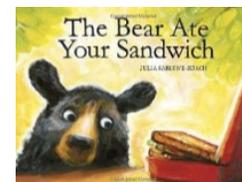
ICfL Offers Books to Go Webinar, September 27

ICfL staff will share tips and resources for making the Idaho Books to Go program successful in your community on Tuesday, September 27 from 12:30 – 1:15 p.m. M.S.T. The session will be archived for those who can’t join us live. If you can join us live, log into <http://icfl.adobeconnect.com/rtm> about 10-minutes early to test your computer. Please share this information with your community Books to Go partners.



Jumpstart Read for the Record, October 27

Jumpstart’s *Read for the Record*® (RFTR) is a national campaign that was launched over a decade ago to address the educational inequities that leave too many children unprepared for kindergarten. On **Thursday, October 27, 2016**, millions of children and



adults will gather to learn, laugh, and read this year's campaign book, *The Bear Ate Your Sandwich* by Julia Sarcone-Roach, as part of the world's largest shared reading experience. How many children can you read this book to? Help set a new world record! See <https://www.jstart.org/campaigns/toolkit> for activities and promotional tools.

Financial Assistance Available to Attend Idaho Early Years Conference

The [Idaho Early Years Conference](#) is a two-day statewide conference for early childhood educators, practitioners, parents, library staff, and library trustees. This year the conference is scheduled for **November 15-16, 2016** and will be held at The Riverside Hotel in Boise. There are two options for assistance:

Option A: Registration Fee, Lodging (if needed). The Idaho Commission for Libraries is offering financial assistance to library staff or trustees who want to attend the conference. ICfL will pay the \$125 Early Bird Registration Fee, and pay for a hotel room at the Riverside Hotel Nov. 15 if you are traveling more than 40 miles one way, and Nov. 14-15 if traveling more than 100 miles one way. Travel is not reimbursed. Meals are not reimbursed (breakfast and lunch are provided both conference days). If you would like to take advantage of this offer, submit the interest form at <https://form.jotform.com/icfl/IEYC2016-OptionA> by October 24, 2016. ICfL staff will follow up within a few days after submitting the form so you can register for the conference with a purchase order code we provide.

A follow-up evaluation must be completed a week after the conference. You must attend both days of the conference to qualify for the scholarship.

Option B: First-Time Attendee CE Grant. ICfL provides Continuing Education (CE) grants to library staff to attend a library-related conference for the first time. The Early Years Conference meets this requirement and ICfL has designated up to four grants for this year's conference. To apply for one of these grants, applicants must: 1) live at least 50 miles from the site of the conference (Boise); 2) have travel, registration and hotel costs of at least \$250 (max grant amount is \$900); 3) agree to submit a one-month and a six-month follow-up report to ICfL. This is a reimbursement grant. Grant funds will be reimbursed for allowable travel expenses when the one-month follow-up report is submitted. Applicants are responsible for their own registration, travel, and hotel arrangements. Applications must be received by October 1st. **To apply for a First-Time Attendance Grant, please contact Shirley Biladeau by phone and she will review the process and requirements with you:**

shirley.biladeau@libraries.idaho.gov

208.639.4149 or 800-458-3271

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Keynote Speakers include:



Stacie G. Goffin will address the conference on why reforming Early Childhood Education needs to come from the inside out. Stacie's most recent book is *Professionalizing Early Childhood Education as a Field of Practice: A Guide to the Next Era*.

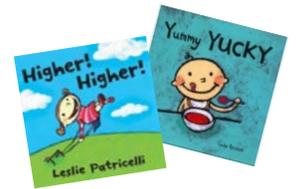
Dr. Dipesh Navsaria is a pediatrician, sometimes children's librarian (with a Masters in Library Sciences), public health professional, and child health advocate. He teaches at the University of Wisconsin School of Medicine and Public Health, and practices medicine at Access Community Health Care Center.



He will be presenting about "Books Build Better Brains: How Promoting Literacy Is Key to Early Brain and Child Development" and his breakout session is on Screen Time. We're very excited to have him share his knowledge and experience about these topics. www.navsaria.com/home/about.html



Leslie Patricelli will be the capnote speaker. Leslie lives in Ketchum and writes books that are full of humor and fun. The title of her presentation is 'Board Books: Something to Chew On'. Leslie is also the artist for this year's Idaho Family Reading Week celebration, "Laugh It Up." She will be signing books at the conference.



Conference sessions of interest to library staff include:

- Full STEAM Ahead, presented by Bridgett Stiegemeier, M.Ed.
- Screens: Success or Sabotage? A Discussion of Children, Screens, and Learning, presented by Dipesh Navsaria
- Dialogic Reading: A Strategy for All, presented by Janna Dunagan and Joy Kane
- The Importance of Language in Supporting Social-Emotional Development, presented by Alison Giachetti et al.
- Music and Literacy: How Music and Movement Impact Reading, presented by Amanda Bowden (Portneuf Library)
- And many more!

See <http://healthandwelfare.idaho.gov/eyc> for more session descriptions and details about the conference.

Library Staff Encouraged to Attend Hunger Summit

Library staff are encouraged to attend the 2016 Summit on Idaho Hunger and Food Security on October 28 at the Riverside Inn in Boise. The 2016 Summit on Idaho Hunger and Food Security is a bi-annual summit that gathers the state's faith leaders, charitable emergency food providers, state and local government, health providers, advocacy groups, business and industry and community members together to learn about hunger and food insecurity. Participants of the Hunger Summit get the opportunity to work in one track and learn about the related efforts that are going on throughout the state and how we can collectively improve upon them.

ICfL's Stephanie Bailey-White will be presenting as part of the Childhood Nutrition: Growing the Learning Connection track. She will share information about the EatPlayGrow program as well as library partnerships with the summer nutrition programs. Early bird registration of \$75 ends September 15. Registration is \$90 after the 15th and that includes lunch. Visit www.idahohunger.org for registration and more conference details. If the registration fee is a barrier to attendance for library staff, please contact [Stephanie](#) at ICfL.

More Dates to Note

- September is Library Card Sign Up Month, www.ala.org/conferencesevents/celebrationweeks/card
- Sept. 15-16, ALSC Virtual Institute, www.ala.org/alsc/2016-alsc-virtual-institute
- Sept. 15, webinar on school/public library partnerships, www.ala.org/yalsa/webinars
- Sept 25 – Oct 1, Banned Books Week, www.ala.org/bbooks/
- Oct. 5-7, Idaho Library Association Annual Conference in Idaho Falls, <http://idaholibraries.org/>
- Oct. 9-15, Teen Read Week, <http://teenreadweek.ning.com/>
- Oct. 19-21, Association of Bookmobile and Outreach Services Conference in Covington, KY, <http://abos-outreach.org/conference/2016-conference/>
- Oct. 20, webinar on libraries and coding, www.ala.org/yalsa/webinars
- Oct. 24-26, National Summer Learning Association (NSLA) and School's Out Washington (SOWA) Dare to Disrupt! The Pathway to Excellence and Equity in Education Conference in Seattle, www.summerlearning.org/
- Oct. 27 – 29, Association of Rural and Small Libraries (ARSL) Conference "North of Normal" in Fargo, ND, <http://arsl.info/2016-conference/>
- Nov. 4 – 6, YA Services Symposium in Pittsburgh, PA, www.ala.org/yalsa/events
- Nov. 15-16, Early Years Conference, Riverside Inn, Boise, <http://healthandwelfare.idaho.gov/eyc/Home/tabid/3310/Default.aspx>
- Nov. 13 – 19, Idaho Family Reading Week – 20th Anniversary, theme is Laugh It Up
- Jan. 20 – 23, ALA Midwinter Meeting in Atlanta, <http://tinyurl.com/YALSAmw17>



TIPS AND TOOLS

DIY Storytime

Phoenix Public Library has found a way to get parents involved with Every Child Ready to Read concepts with a "do-it-yourself" storytime model. Through a series of activity cards consisting of three themes (Modeling, Active, and Skill Building) and a bin of high-quality storytime books, parents are engaged in behavior changing practices. [Learn More](#)

Ohio Ready to Read

Ohio Ready to Read (ORTR) is a great early literacy resource that supplies tools for library programming, from planning storytimes to serving English Language Learner families. It also offers downloadable

display templates featuring early literacy skills and practices; resource collections on early literacy research, advocacy, grant seeking, and partnerships; and much more—check it out at www.ohreadytoread.org/.



SUMMER READING NEWS

ALSC Summer Reading Program Grant

Need \$3K to fund your summer reading program? The [ALSC/Baker and Taylor](#) grant is currently open. Applications are due by November 1, 2016.

Summer Reading Program Report due September 15

We ask that every Idaho public library submit the number of children and teens that participate in your summer reading program each year. If you are not hosting a program this year, you only need to answer one question on the report telling us such. We try to keep the required questions on the report limited to the information we need for our own reporting purposes; we also ask optional questions that help us improve our service to you.

This year we are also asking you to report your final numbers for all Bright Futures programs in which your library participated. If you did not participate in any Bright Futures programs you can skip over these sections. [Click here](#) to see which programs your library will need to supply data for.

Reports are due **September 15** and the link can be found at <http://libraries.idaho.gov/landing/summer-reading>. See a **preview** of the data you will be asked to submit: [Word Document](#)

Bonus: Submit your report on time (or get an approved extension from Staci) and be entered to win a 2017 summer reading t-shirt (provided compliments of CSLP)!

Evaluating Your SRP

This is just a reminder that if your library signed up for any Bright Futures program (School Visits, Reaching Underserved Children, or School Partnerships) one of the requirements is to formally evaluate your summer reading program. See this handout for details and examples of formal evaluation: http://libraries.idaho.gov/files/SRPEvaluation_How-To.pdf

Even if you did not sign up for a Bright Futures program, we encourage you to formally evaluate your program.

Preview of Summer Reading 2017: Build a Better World

If you're attending the Idaho Library Association conference in Idaho Falls Oct. 6-7, consider attending Staci's session, "Groundbreaking Ceremony for Summer Reading" on Thursday at 4 p.m. The presentation will include information about this year's timeline, the Collaborative Summer Library Program theme and artwork, and information about Bright Futures changes. If you're not able to join us in person, the overview will be uploaded to our summer reading website afterward.



FEATURED:

\$200,000 Awarded to School Libraries Throughout Idaho

The Idaho Commission for Libraries (ICfL) awarded \$200,000 to 47 elementary school libraries throughout Idaho for the purchase of books to serve students pre-kindergarten through first grade and to allow five schools to open their libraries during the summer. The funds were in the form of mini-grants, for amounts between \$1,000 and \$5,000, each.

The goals of the grant program were: to increase the amount of reading done in homes of children in developmental preschool programs, kindergarten, and first grade; to increase access to age-appropriate, quality, nonfiction and fiction titles in elementary school libraries; and to increase the number of children reading on grade level.

"A child's educational foundation is established early, and the amount of reading done in the home is the single most important factor in the development of a child's literacy skills," said State Librarian Ann Joslin. "But too many of our youngest Idahoans are at a disadvantage in this critical area because their elementary school lacks the resources to allow students to check books out and take them home." Joslin continued, "The mini-grants awarded through the ICfL's Read to Me program will give students access to the print materials that will form the base of their lifelong learning."

There were 73 application requests, totaling \$320,500. The ICfL received \$200,000 in funding from the Idaho state legislature to fund 47 school mini-grants.

Forty-two grants, totaling \$175,000, were awarded to the following elementary schools. In addition, five schools were awarded \$5,000 grants so their libraries could be open during the summer. This access to books minimizes the "summer slide" of learning loss for students.

[Learn More](#)



CE NEWS YOU CAN USE

Back to School Learning Just for You

The Idaho Commission for Libraries has pre-purchased five seats in each of the following courses. If you would like to request access – please complete the form found at this site <http://libraries.idaho.gov/page/infopeople> at least 10 days prior to the start of the course:

- [Children's Services Fundamentals](#) September 13 - October 10, 2016
- [Parent Engagement Workshops](#) September 20 - October 3, 2016
- [Library Budgeting for Right-brained Thinkers](#) September 27 - October 24, 2016

These webinars are also offered at no charge – no registration needed -- just attend (all webinars are also archived by Infopeople) – all times listed are Pacific Daylight Savings Time.

- [Fostering Innovation and Creativity](#) Thursday, September 8, 2016, noon to 1 p.m.
- [New Books for Storytime](#) Thursday, October 20, 2016, noon to 1 p.m.

Online Course: Bilingual Storytime and Library Outreach

A six-week online course, October 3–November 11, will be presented by Katie Scherrer and offered by the Library of Virginia. This course teaches participants how to present bilingual storytimes for various ages.

In this course, participants gain practical ideas and increased confidence that will aid them as they work to include Latino culture and the Spanish language in their storytime programs, regardless of language skills. Techniques and modifications for storytime practitioners who do not speak Spanish are shared throughout the course.

The cost of the course is \$30, and the required book is available for an extra \$20. There is a prerequisite: "Introduction to Moodle," a free two-session online course.

Contact Enid Costley at enid.costley@lva.virginia.gov for details and with any questions.

[Register](#)

STAR_Net Webinar: Total Solar Eclipse

Are you ready for the celestial event of the century? In just under a year from now (August 21, 2017), the shadow of the moon will sweep across the United States from the Pacific Ocean to the Atlantic Ocean in a **total solar eclipse**. The STAR Library Education Network (STAR_Net) is working with libraries to participate in this national and celestial event.

Learn more about STAR_Net by registering for the upcoming webinar, **STAR Library Education Network Resources**. Join Anne Holland (Public Engagement Manager at the Space Science Institute) for a “Grand Opening” of the two new websites associated with the *STAR Library Education Network*. You’ll receive a tour of the new features and resources (available at www.starnetlibraries.org and www.starnetlibraries.org/stem-resource-clearinghouse) and have an opportunity to suggest new features and content.

The webinar takes place on **Wednesday, September 21 from 3 – 3:30 p.m.**

Register

Register your library on the STAR_Net site to access promotional resources, newsletters, tips on safe viewing methods, multimedia for programming, and the opportunity to receive 50 free Solar Shades for your patrons to watch the eclipse: starnetlibraries.org/2017-eclipse-registration/

DIVERSITY IN ACTION

Banned Books Week

The graphic features a dark background with a red banner at the top that reads "DEFEND THE FIRST AMENDMENT". Below this, the text "STAND UP FOR YOUR RIGHT TO READ" is written in large, bold, white and red letters. In the center, two silhouettes of people are shown reading a large open book. The background is filled with faint, overlapping text from various sources. At the bottom, the text "READ A BANNED BOOK" is written in red, and the website "ala.org/bbooks" is displayed in white.

This year **Banned Books Week** is recommending a focus on diversity. By using the tagline “Stand up for your right to read,” your displays and program can spotlight any of the following:

- non-white main and/or secondary characters
- LGBT main and/or secondary characters
- disabled main and/or secondary characters
- issues about race or racism
- LGBT issues
- issues about religion, which encompass in this situation the Holocaust and terrorism
- issues about disability and/or mental illness
- Non-Western settings, in which the West is North America and Europe (ALA 2015, 15).

More Info



KNOW THE NUMBERS

Early Learning Stats in Idaho

- By the time children enter kindergarten, 85-90% of their brain capacity is developed and yet just 1% of Idaho's public funds are devoted to this period.
- Of the 140,000 Idaho children under age six, 55% live in homes where both parents work. One in five children live in poverty, and one in four live in single-parent households. Those living at or near poverty levels tend not to have access to reliable high quality early learning environments.
- According to the Idaho Reading Indicator, just 54% of kindergarteners meet the grade level benchmark when they enter kindergarten. County to county performance varies widely with a low of 15% and a high of 92% meeting benchmarks. Children most at risk for not developing strong early learning skills are those who live in poverty or come from fragile families.

These are three of the facts documented in **Early Learning in Idaho: Finding Common Ground**, Conference Proceedings and Report from May 4, 2015. Prepared for the Andrus Center on Public Policy. See the full report at <https://sps.boisestate.edu/andruscenter/files/2016/02/White-Paper-Final-2015-1203.pdf>



STEAM

Robots in the Library

Idaho Libraries, are you interested in having a robotics team in your library? Idaho has received some funding for expanding the national **FIRST Robotics** program through the Idaho Afterschool Network. Your level of involvement might look any number of ways, including:

- Having a staff member be a coach and participate in regional and state competitions (funds are available to support team travel & coach stipend).
- Allowing teams to meet at your library.
- Acting as a "kit host," where your library agrees to circulate the robotics kit after this year's competition.
- Having local team's show and tell their journey and cool robots at a library program.
- Inviting veteran team members to mentor younger kids in a robotics programming at your library.

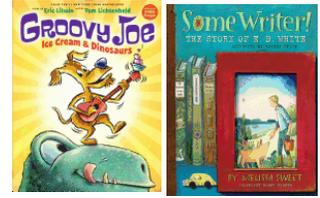
If you would like to learn more, please visit the program page at <http://idahoafterschool.org/first-2/>. Teams are forming now to participate in this year's competition.

BOOK LOOK

New Releases by Popular Authors

Picture Books

Groovy Joe, by **Eric Litwin** (August 30). Eric Litwin, author of the beloved and original *Pete the Cat* and bestselling artist **Tom Lichtenheld**, illustrator of *Goodnight, Goodnight Construction Site*, have created a captivating new canine character who will groove his way into readers' hearts and have them grooving and giggling all the while. Check out the song at <http://groovyjoestories.scholastic.com/>. *Starred reviews*



Some Writer! The Story of E.B. White, by **Melissa Sweet** (October 04). In this stunning, first-ever fully-illustrated biography of legendary author E.B. White, Sibert medalist and Caldecott Honor winner Melissa Sweet uses White's letters, photos, and mementos, as well as her original collaged art, to tell the true story of one of the most beloved authors of all time. *Starred reviews*

Beginning Readers and Chapter Books

The Cookie Fiasco (*Elephant & Piggie Like Reading! #1*), by **Dan Santat** and **Mo Willems** (September 20). Hippo, Croc, and the Squirrels are determined to have equal cookies for all! But how? There are only three cookies... and four of them! They need to act fast before nervous Hippo breaks all the cookies into crumbs!



Where Are You Going, Baby Lincoln? (*Tales from Deckawoo Drive #3*) by **Kate DiCamillo** (August 2). What if timid Baby Lincoln broke free of her bossy sister and set off on an unexpected journey? Kate DiCamillo presents a touching new adventure set in Mercy Watson's world. *Starred review*

Skunked, by **Jacqueline Kelly** (October 4). From Newbery honor author Jacqueline Kelly comes a new illustrated chapter book series for younger readers featuring the beloved characters from *The Evolution of Calpurnia Tate*. *Starred review*

Middle Grades (Gr. 4 – 8)

Full of Beans, by **Jennifer L. Holm** (August 30). Newbery Honor Book Turtle in Paradise is beloved by readers, and now they can return to this wonderful world through the eyes of Turtle's cousin Beans. *Starred reviews*

Tales of the Peculiar, by **Ransom Riggs** (September 3). Before Miss Peregrine gave them a home, the story of peculiar was written in the Tales.

The Bronze Key (*Magisterium #3*), by **Holly Black** and **Cassandra Clare** (September 1). The third, powerful instalment in the *Magisterium* sequence. *Starred review*



The Scourge, by **Jennifer A. Nielsen** (August 30). When the lethal plague known as the Scourge returns to Keldan the victims are sent to Attic Island, and Ani Mells of the River People is among them--but Ani does not feel sick, and with the help of her best friend she sets out to expose the lies the people of Keldan have been told. *Starred review*

Moo, by **Sharon Creech** (August 30). Fans of Newbery Medal winner Sharon Creech's *Love That Dog* and *Hate That Cat* will love her newest tween novel, *Moo*. *Starred reviews*

The Hammer of Thor (Magnus Chase #2), by **Rick Riordan** (October 4). The thunder god has a disturbing habit of misplacing his weapon--the mightiest force in the Nine Worlds. But this time the hammer isn't just lost, it has fallen into enemy hands. If Magnus Chase and his friends can't retrieve the hammer quickly, the mortal worlds will be defenseless against an onslaught of giants.

Ashes (Seeds of America Trilogy), by Laurie Halse Anderson (October 4). Return to the American Revolution in this blistering conclusion to the trilogy that began with the bestselling National Book Award Finalist *Chains* and continued with *Forge*. *Starred reviews*

Young Adult

Thrice the Brinded Cat Hath Mew'd (Flavia de Luce #8), by **Alan Bradley** (September 20). Hailed as "a combination of Eloise and Sherlock Holmes" by The Boston Globe, Flavia de Luce returns in a new mystery novel from award-winning and New York Times bestselling author Alan Bradley.



Fall of Hades (Michael Vey #), by **Richard Paul Evans** (September 13). Michael and his friends try to recruit Hatch's Electric Youth to their side as the thrilling action continues in this electrifying sixth installment of the New York Times bestselling series.

The Fever Code (The Maze #4), by **James Dashner** (September 27). Explore the creation of the Maze, and how the Gladers all got there. After all, Thomas, Teresa and their fellow Glade-dwellers didn't choose to jump into that freight elevator and forget their pasts. Or did they? Prequel to *The Maze*.

Talk Back: *We welcome your feedback on anything in The Scoop. Just email [Stephanie](#), [Staci](#), or [Tammy](#) and we'll print your comments in The Scoop.*

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