



LC Quarterly

Q3 - February - March 2022

Read, Imagine, Discover & Learn in the LC!

RESEARCH ACROSS THE CURRICULUM

During the third quarter, the freshmen returned to the LC with their English Writing classes to learn about primary sources, the U.S. Census and some local history. This part of Allston-Brighton has evolved over centuries from a sleepy farming village to the bustling urban neighborhood of today.



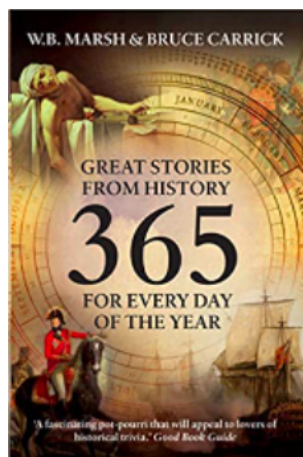
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By studying the 1940 Census records for Cambridge Street and the surrounding roads, looking at maps from 1885 and 1925, and reading articles from the Brighton-Allston historical society, the ninth graders gathered evidence to show how this area has changed. They looked at these sources through a historian's viewpoint focusing on the political, innovative, environmental, cultural, economic and social implications of the information they gathered.

To share the findings of their research, the students composed Mel-Con paragraphs, using this assignment to practice the writing skills they had just reviewed with Ms. Cady and Ms. Siwik.

DID YOU KNOW?



On March 31, 1854, Commodore Matthew Perry opened Japan to western trade. For two centuries, the Japanese shoguns who controlled the country insisted on isolating their nation from the rest of the world. President Millard Fillmore was eager to open the Japanese markets for North American and European businessmen. He sent Perry to the reigning shogun with his demands. On the last day of March, Japan signed the Treaty of Kanagawa, establishing cordial relations between the formerly isolated country and the United States.

Read about this and other historic events in *365 Great Stories from History for Every Day of the Year* (R 902 M).

GOOGLEPALOOZA



Throughout the month of March, I participated in the Googlepalooza Winter Tech Event, a month-long professional development program hosted by MassCUE. Upon registering for the PD opportunity, I gained access to the Googlepalooza platform where I could pick and choose from a nice collection of Google-related tutorials and communicate with the instructors via JamBoard.

The Winter Tech Event, enhanced by its Olympic Games theme, focused on three overarching areas of interest for presenters and participants: Lighting the Match with GSuite; Teamwork Makes the Dream Work with GSuite, and Achieving your Goals with GSuite. I learned about new tools like Smart Chips and hidden features (Did you know that there is a built in citation generator in Google docs?), along with a plethora of cool ideas to fully utilize all that Google Workplace has to offer. The on-demand sessions that were most helpful to me were [Tricked Out Ways to Organize your Google Classroom](#) and [Extreme Slides](#).

The instructors were all Google Certified Trainers and Educators. You can find many of them on YouTube, sharing their knowledge and expertise on how to get the most out of the GSuite set of tools and applications.

So you too can benefit from the Googlepalooza resources, tips and tricks I gleaned from this month-long Google extravaganza, I have created a [spreadsheet](#) with links to all of the slideshows. Enjoy!

WHAT are you reading?



Throughout her tenure as Book Reviewer for *The TIE*, Annabelle Pappas '22 has shared her eclectic taste in reading with her classmates and teachers. She is an enthusiastic reader who indulges in literary works across a variety of genres. Although her bookshelves seem to be lined with titles from popular fantasy and dystopian YA series, Annabelle has also read and reviewed historical fiction, gothic novels, and narrative nonfiction.

Annabelle has an admirable knack for describing a book's plot and providing just enough detail to intrigue possible readers without giving away too much information. She offers keen insights in every review whether she is discussing character development, a novel's unique setting, or its literary themes.

Read Annabelle's review of [The 57 Bus](#) and others at sjptie.wordpress.com.

SPOTLIGHT ON THE COLLECTION

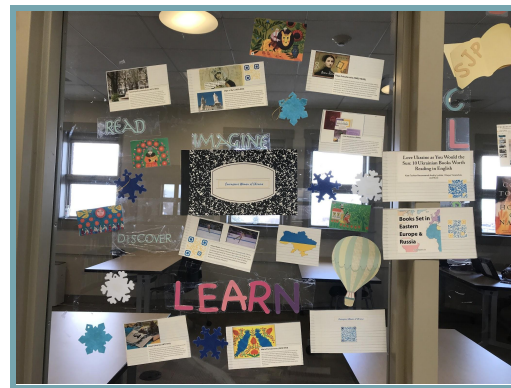
During Women's History month (March) I created a book display that highlighted Courageous Women of Ukraine. The display provided information about artists, writers, activists, and even a saint. Do you recognize any of these names (just a few of the women celebrated in the display)?

Olga of Kyiv (920–969) A Kievan Rus princess who converted to Christianity. She is the patron saint of defiance and vengeance.

Lina Kostenko (1930–) Contemporary writer of hundreds of poems and one novel, the best-selling *Notes of the Ukrainian Insane*.

Oksana Baiul (1977–) Figure skater who won an Olympic gold medal in 1994 at the age of 16.

Maria Pyrmachenko (1909–1997) A talented artist who lived her simple life in the small village of Bolotnya.



To complement the display, I included QR codes to pertinent book lists and set out several titles about the beleaguered nation, along with other books from our library collection that tell the story of women whose lives are disrupted by war.

SJP Ukrainian Book List:

The Orphanage: a novel by Serhiy Zhadan

Ukraine: What Everyone Needs to Know by Serhy Yekelchuk

Midnight in Chernobyl by Adam Higginbotham

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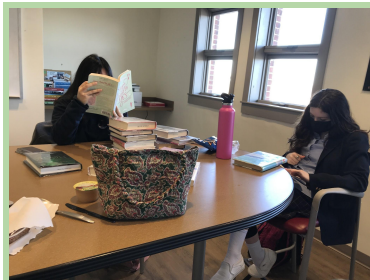
Brooke prepares for midterms.



Busy morning in the LC.



AP&G student presentations.



Snapshots of the Lunchtime Book Club



Mr. Patolia's students build their Chemistry themed jigsaw puzzles.



Liana displays the cross-stitch project she made in Art & Crafts club.