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In the SJP Learning Commons



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Top: Freshmen Theology students. Left: Jeff and Michael celebrate the culture of Japan on Multicultural Day. Right: Kelli and Anthony attend a HSQS taping. (photos by L. Walkins)

Research Across the Curriculum: Refining Search Results



Jessie, Lillian and Isabel search for online sources. (photo by L. Walkins)

During the third quarter, the freshmen returned to the LC with their Theology classes. While researching the Kings and Prophets of Israel, they employed advanced search techniques to locate the most appropriate resources.

Using the academic search engine Refseek and the Gale databases, they employed Boolean search commands and limiters like site:.edu or quotation marks. The students composed a list of pertinent keywords and used different combinations of those search terms to find the best results.

The Research Across the Curriculum program teaches the students the skills they will need to venture beyond “just googling it” and conduct scholarly research in college.

This year, I incorporated Google Classroom into the program. I found this teaching tool to be quite handy in sharing and organizing information and assignments.

In the fourth quarter, the ninth graders will visit the LC with their Biology classes to learn about digital citizenship and annotated bibliographies.



Multicultural Day is one of the best days of the year on the SJP calendar. This year, the LC was happy to host the students representing the cultures of Peru and Colombia. Melissa and Kathleen gave a wonderful presentation and shared the traditional Colombian and Peruvian food with their classmates. The soda tastes like bubble gum. (photo by L. Walkins)

SJP Parent Donates Books about Baseball

A new member of the SJP Reading Community, Mr. McCallum (father of David '21) generously donated a collection of books that will appeal to baseball fans.

Read about an American legend on the baseball diamond, Leroy "Satchel" Paige in *Satchel* by Larry Tye. A star pitcher in the Negro Leagues, Paige made a name for himself and then following in the footsteps of Jackie Robinson, joined the Major Leagues at the age of forty-two. A key player for the Cleveland Indians, he took the team to the 1948 World Series.

If you prefer to read about our home team, check out *Game of my Life:*

memorable stories of Red Sox baseball by Chaz Scoggins. This collection of Red Sox stories, shares the career highlights of famous players throughout the team's history. Johnny Pesky, Dwight Evans, Dennis Eckersley, Jerry Remy and Mike Greenwell, to name a few, recall their greatest games.

Our sports collection already includes additional baseball books. You'll find these new volumes shelved in the 700s alongside *The League of Outsider Baseball*, *The Story of the Boston Red Sox*, *Flip Flop Fly Ball: an infographic baseball adventure*, *Throwback* and *Summer of '49*.

More Titles from the McCallum family . . .

No Greater Love: life stories from the men who saved baseball

Summer of 98: when homers flew, records fell, and baseball reclaimed America

The Gas House Gang (1934 St. Louis Cardinals)

When the Boys Came Back: baseball and 1946

Baseball and the Color Line

Multicultural Day – March 9



Middle East room. (photo by L. Walkins)



Italian wedding dance. (photo by L. Walkins)



S. Korea presentation. (photo by L. Walkins)

Lunchtime
Book Club
Creative Writing

High School Quiz
Show

The TIE



Right: Anthony and Kelli at WGBH for the HSQS taping: Lexington v. Brookline.
Left: The TIE staff gathers in the Collaboration Café.
(photos by L. Walkins)

TIE journalists hone newswriting skills

Have you read the latest issue of The TIE?

With each edition the student journalists' writing is improving. Interviewing students across all grade levels to gather information and obtain quotes about student life at SJP, *The TIE* staff has provided an eloquent and entertaining voice for the student body this year.

In our last issue, they reported on what is happening in Campus Ministry with an article



During the winter, visitors to the Collaboration Café worked on a Presidential puzzle featuring all 45 of our Commanders in Chief.

on the Kairos retreat. In sports, we highlighted the girls' basketball team and their work with the Special Olympics. Our spectacular spring musical and another of Sophia's great book reviews were featured in the Arts section. Our student journalists also covered the Walk-out and Youth in Government, and Sam produced a great video on the pep rally.

The staff would love to hear your feedback. If you subscribe to the newspaper, you gain the ability to leave encouraging comments about the articles. Please click on the Follow button and become a subscriber today!

In our final 2017-18 edition, we will focus on the Class of 2018.



A Fun-filled Morning at WGBH

At the end of January, members of the High School Quiz Show team attended a taping at the WGBH studios. We watched the semi-final competition between Lexington High School and Brookline High School.

Kelli and Anthony participated in an informal trivia contest prior to taking their seats as part of the studio audience. They answered some questions correctly and won some Public Television swag.

We had good seats very close to Billy Costa's podium. The episode aired on DATE. Shots of the audience include a brief glimpse of us cheering on the teams.

Parent-Faculty Book Club



The readers in the **Parent-Faculty Book Club** dove into a different culture and time while reading *Pachinko* by Min Jin Lee.

Set in early to mid-twentieth century Korea and Japan, this fascinating novel follows one family through four generations. The honored daughter deals with the consequences of an out of wedlock pregnancy, which lead her and her family from Korea to Japan, where they are not valued citizens.

During our conversation on March 30, we were intrigued by the many hardships the Koreans overcame while living in exile among their enemies.

Upcoming Book Club Selections:

April: *Back Bay* by
William Martin

May: *The Late Show* by
Michael Connelly

Seniors: most memorable research projects

Throughout their four years in the SJP classrooms, the seniors worked on countless research projects. They read and learned about fascinating and challenging topics across the curriculum, sharing their findings in papers, slideshows, videos and podcasts.

The soon to be graduates encountered some of their most memorable assignments in Theology class. McKenzie immediately mentioned one of Mr. Macdonald's research topics. He required his students to find evidence to support their argument for whether all people are truly created equal.

In Ms. Gabriel's Theology IV class, students investigated the pros and cons of stem cell research. Vivian and Hannah enjoyed learning about and debating the controversial topic with their classmates. Ms. Gabriel's students also investigated the fair trade practices of certain corporations and created podcasts.

Nailah and Isaac preferred scientific research conducted in Biology and Anatomy & Physiology. During freshman year, Nailah learned a lot while researching human body systems. Isaac educated his classmates in Dr. B's class about myocarditis in his presentation on diseases and the immune system.

The VHS students also did some interesting research in their online courses. Destiny created a presentation on serial killer, Albert Fish, in her Psychology of Crime class. Joseline researched white-collar crime in her Criminology class.

All of these projects undoubtedly have prepared the Class of 2018 for the next four years. Using the research and writing skills they have built, the seniors will walk with confidence into their college libraries.

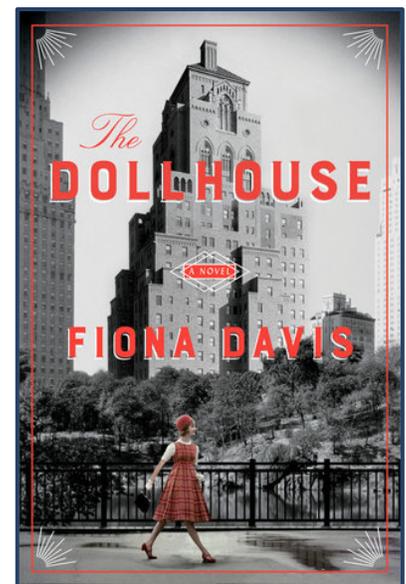
What are you Reading?

The Dollhouse by Fiona Davis

From the rooms at the Barbizon Hotel for Women to the Greenwich Village jazz clubs, Fiona Davis paints a tantalizing picture of 1950s New York City in her debut novel. Newcomer to the women's hotel, Darby McLaughlin is intimidated by her floormates, a group of catty models, and she has trouble settling in. She befriends one of the hotel maids and enjoys a whole new world in lower Manhattan until tragedy strikes.

In a parallel present day plotline, magazine journalist, Rose Lewin, now lives in a condo in the Barbizon. Her unit is directly above the apartment where Darby still resides. Fascinated by the long ago female tenants, Rose investigates a mystery swirling around Darby and her friend, Esme and uncovers startling secrets and lies.

S. Marilyn read this book in her CSJ book club. I was intrigued by her description of the novel and found that her recommendation was spot-on. The compelling characters, the glamorous setting and the element of mystery and suspense make a satisfying and enjoyable read.





Some select titles from our narrative non-fiction collection. (photo by L. Walkins)

“At the core of this book is the story of a relationship Hope Jahren forged with Bill, who becomes her lab partner and best friend. Their sometimes rogue adventures in science take them over the Atlantic to the ever-light skies of the North Pole and to tropical Hawaii, where she and her lab currently make their home. An illuminating debut memoir of a woman in science; a moving portrait of a longtime friendship; and a stunningly fresh look at plants that will forever change how you see the natural world.”

~ Lab Girl by Hope Jahren

Spotlight on our Collection: narrative non-fiction

Are you a non-fiction reader? Not all of the titles catalogued under the Dewey Decimal system from 000 to 999 are didactic research tomes. We have quite the collection of narrative non-fiction covering an array of topics, historical periods and geographic locations.

If you would rather dive into a fact-filled true story than a work of fiction, you will find many appealing choices here in the SJP Learning Commons. You are cordially invited to come on up and peruse our shelves.

Overcoming Adversity

Into Thin Air: a personal account of the Mt. Everest Disaster 796.52 KRA
Taking Flight: from war orphan to star ballerina 792.8 DEP
Positive: surviving my bullies 362.1 RAW

Artists

Vincent and Theo: the Van Gogh brothers 759.9 HEI
Frida & Diego: art, love, life 759.97 REE

History

The Notorious Benedict Arnold 921 ARN
Every Falling Star: the true story of how I survived and escaped North Korea 951.93 LEE

Sports

The Boys in the Boat 797.12 BRO
The Legends Club: an epic college basketball rivalry 796.32 FEI
The King of Sports: football's impact on America 796.33 EAS

Science

Charles and Emma: the Darwins' leap of faith 920 DAR
Galileo's Daughter: a historical memoir of science, faith and love 520.92 SOB
The Wright Brothers 629.133 MCC

Medicine

The Shift: one nurse, twelve hours, four patients' lives 616.028 BRO
The Ghost Map: London's most terrifying epidemic 614.514 JOH
Complications: a surgeon's notes on an imperfect science 617.092 GAW

Psychology

What Doctors Feel 610.69 OFR
Cinderella Ate my Daughter 305.23 ORE

Animals

A Wolf Called Romeo 636.97 JAN
Seabiscuit 921 SEA

War Stories

The Zookeeper's Wife 940.53 ACK
Unlikely Warrior: a Jewish soldier in Hitler's army 940.54 RAU



The Collaboration Café. Left: Mr. Fitness and Sam Wu. Right: The Lunchtime Book Club (Arianys, Sophia, Kelli and Lily). (photos by L. Walkins)