



Will we kill them?

On Friday, Sept 27th Karen of A Perfect Petal floral shop graciously brought us a variety of houseplants for our window planter. The preschool Story time children enjoyed helping her plant them. The children come in regularly to check on the plants. So here's hoping we don't kill them off!

Looking forward:
Fizz, Boom, Bang (pumpkin smash) with Bob Hochstetler on Saturday, Oct 1:30

Along Came A Spider: Pruess Pets brings Spiders & Invertebrates on Saturday, Oct. 26 @ 1 pm.

Tweens & Teens: Saturday, Oct. 12 is Movie Time; as always popcorn is provided!

Come check our display window & the art work in the stairway. Annie Q did the window, while our Thursday group is responsible for the poetry and leaf art!

September: Month of the Author

Our author visit of the month was Colleen Vance, who wrote "The Flip Flop Family". This is her first published book and Coldwater is her hometown.

shared with the children about the process of writing. She encouraged the children with examples of her own journey as a writer and the importance of not giving up.

refreshingly delightful they were!

Julia & I also had the pleasure of eating lunch with Leslie and Shannon White of the Library of Michigan.

Part of the agreement, we made was to share Leslie with a local school. Jefferson Elementary was the beneficiary.

The students were the first through third grade classes of St. Charles School. What a delightful group of young people. Leslie re-



We followed Colleen's visit with our Michigan Reads! Tour author, Leslie Helakowski, who not only read her book, "Woolbur" but also

marked on how



The Force was with Us!

The Coldwater Branch District Library hosted a "Star Wars Reads Day" on Saturday, Oct 5th. This was a part of a nationwide multi-publisher initiative that was projected to include over 1,200 events. Over 50 patrons enjoyed a special time of costumed charters, strangely delicious food, crafts and a very special story time.



Odds N Ends

We're in the midst

of our "Fall into Reading" program for October. So far, we've had 90 children sign up. We've also been told that several of our families are involved in a friendly competition to take title of top reading family. Can't wait to see who the winner is.

Our Thursday "Let the Adventure Begin" homeschool group has been hugely successful. Our other new fall program "Just So Stories" on Tuesdays for Prek-2nd grade is also growing.



We were making crabs!

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Here's Johnny! Celebrating Johnny Appleseed proved successful with an attendance of 30 on Saturday, Sept 28. Johnny visited with patrons, shared some stories of his life and did a variety of crafts including making apple prints and hats!



Could there be anything we know that can evoke the wondrous glow of childhood more than trampling leaves?