

Reading@PMGHS #2

POEM OF THE WEEK

Stopping by Woods on a
Snowy Evening
by Robert Frost

Whose woods these are I think I know.
His house is in the village though;
He will not see me stopping here
To watch his woods fill up with snow.

My little horse must think it queer
To stop without a farmhouse near
Between the woods and frozen lake
The darkest evening of the year.

He gives his harness bells a shake
To ask if there is some mistake.
The only other sound's the sweep
Of easy wind and downy flake.

The woods are lovely, dark and deep,
But I have promises to keep,
And miles to go before I sleep,
And miles to go before I sleep.

No entertainment is so cheap as
reading, nor any pleasure so
lasting”

Lady Mary Wortley Montagu (1689-1762)

BOOK TRIVIA

J.K. Rowling was not the first author to create a character named Harry Potter. The boy who lived had, in fact, lived ever since 1972. A short story entitled “Harry Potter” was published in communist Poland, on March 19, 1972, in a literary magazine Życie Literackie. Its author, Jan Rostworowski (1919-1975), was a Polish poet and short story writer. The author tells a story of a seventeen-year-old Harry Potter who, unlike J.K. Rowling’s protagonist, does not receive his Hogwarts letter. In fact, his life is rather ordinary – as a shopkeeper, he delivers the original Cracovian sausage and pickles. Apart from the name of the protagonist, the only similarities to J.K. Rowling’s works which can be found in the Polish text are two passages. One of them is: “The telephone in Harry’s house does not ring, but chirps like a bird” which for Potterheads might resemble magical carrier owls. The other is that the narrator casts a curse on “Mr. P.”
Apart from that – the texts are not at all alike!

BOOK REVIEW OF THE WEEK

Aisha Pandor (7G) sent us this fantastic review:
“At the moment I am reading a book called ‘The Emerald Atlas’ by John Stephens (from the school library). It is a good book and I enjoy reading it, it is one of those books when you start reading it you want to read the whole book there and then. I have only started reading this book so I don’t know much about it but what I do know is that it is going to be a brilliant book! This book was given to me by the amazing librarian Miss Packwood before lockdown as I didn’t know which book to pick so Miss helped me and gave me a perfect pick.”

Thank you, Aisha! Please submit your reviews on the school library website or send them to librarian@pmghs.com

NAME THE BOOKS

1. Can you name the colours?

Arthur Conan Doyle, A Study in _____
Philip Pullman, The _____ Spyglass
Victoria Aveyard, _____ Queen
Anna Sewell, _____ Beauty
CS Lewis, The _____ Chair (The Chronicles of Narnia)

2. What colour connects these three books?

A book by Dr Seuss
A medieval story about Sir Gawain
A story about an 11-year-old orphan girl named Anne

WE ARE READING

Thank you to those who let us know what they are reading during lockdown, please let us know your choices librarian@pmghs.com
Rummanah Laly 10H, We Were Liars by Emily Lockhart
Zainab Rimas 7H, The History Keepers by Damian Dibben
Mrs Latham, Neither Here nor There by Bill Bryson
Miss Packwood, Alias Grace by Margaret Atwood

Answers:
1. Name the colours: Scarlet, Amber, Red, Black and Silver
2. The colour that connect them is GREEN, Green Eggs and Ham, Sir Gawain and the Green Knight and Anne of Green Gables