

General Brock Elementary 2019-20 Library Learning Commons Report

Teaching and Learning

- Research skills lessons
- Library lessons with Ks
- Reader's Advisory
- Catalogue search skills
- Presentations in library
- Science World: Tech Up kit

Improvements to the Library Space

- Cleaned up clutter
- Moved collections around to improve access, visibility, organization
- Created new collections (GSS → YA, Seasonal, Readers, Early Chapter Books)
- Created signage
- Reduced and improved computer stations – simpler login and library pages bookmarked
- Catalogue search station at front of library added
- Painted over outdated mural
- Removal of dangerous and extra furniture
- New curtains
- Removal of spinners, improved visibility and findability of materials)
- Cleaned walls of old dried up sticky tack
- Removal of card catalogue desk portion
- New book carts
- Shelf dividers in nonfiction so easier to retrieve books, Dewey labels still to be added
- Created new display spaces and purchased book stands for display
- Purchased clear bins for displaying early chapter books, readers, and graphics facing outward for better browsability and promotion. Easier to keep organized and looking neat and tidy with students browsing as well. Students can be more independent.

Improvements to the Library Collections

- Book purchases
- Purchased Biblionasium
- Updated encyclopedia set from 2006 to 2019
- PB interfiled with hardcovers (better finding)

Daily Operations of the Library Learning Commons

- Piloted holds (only if title not in library)
- Open hours—staffed time/prep time/etc.
- Open Book Exchange instead of only full-class book exchanges
- Volunteers!

- Library students from Langara and UBC

Statistics

- 4,644 circulations this year (on par with through Mar 15 last year)

Next Year

- Unknown!
- Maternity leave coverage
 - o Continue purchasing
 - o Continue to make catalogue more accurate
 - o Add Dewey labels in nonfiction (already printed and laminated and magazine file boxes purchased)
 - o Take inventory?

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