



## STUDENTS CELEBRATE READING

On Wednesday, May 26, over 150 students from the Kawartha Pine Ridge (KPR) and Peterborough Victoria Northumberland and Clarington (PVNC) Catholic District School Boards will gather at Kenner Collegiate and Vocational Institute in Peterborough for a breakfast celebrating their participation in the White Pine Reading Program.

The White Pine Reading Program is a province-wide Ontario Library Association sponsored event for high school students. Each year, 10 new Canadian fiction books are selected for participants to read. After reading four of the 10 books, students are eligible to vote for their favourite. This year's vote took place on May 7 and the winner will be announced at a celebration in Durham Region on Friday, May 28.

At Kenner, local White Pine participants will be addressed by author Norah McClintock, whose novel No Escape is on the current White Pine list. Another of her books, Hit and Run, won this year's Red Maple Award.

### Automation Project gearing up

When students return to classes this September, many KPR school libraries will look a little different. The final few schools remaining to be automated will be on the system. As well, all school libraries will be using the Horizon library system. All school staff currently using Dynix will be receiving training in September. See article on page 6 for more details....

### Improve your Searching

Tired of endless lists of Web search tools that give you no guidance as to which ones to use? The **Tool Kit for the Expert Web Searcher** is developed and maintained by Pat Ensor and hosted on the LITA web site. Pat provides a reasonably short list of excellent tools that are kept up-to-date. Links are arranged by category and updated regularly so you don't have to.

<http://www.ala.org/ala/lita/litaresources/toolkitforexpert/toolkitexpert.htm>

Also check out the LRC website under Search tools.

### School Libraries in Canada now online.

Building a Diverse Collection  
Volume 23, Issue 3 (April 2004)

Their first online issue explores the challenges of building a diverse collection that supports the needs of our school community. This collection of articles brings together research and practice about graphic novels, electronic resources, poetry, and more.

<http://www.schoollibraries.ca/>

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### LRC Summer Hours

The LRC will be open for all your professional needs this summer.

July 5th—August 27th  
Monday —Friday 8:30am —4:30 pm

## **PRIMARY**

### Special needs multicultural dolls (T21294)

This kit consists of eight 14-inch rag dolls and includes a boy and a girl doll from each of the following ethnic groups: Asian, Black, Caucasian, and First Nations. Also includes special needs equipment -- a wheel chair, walker, white cane, forearm crutches, leg braces, eye glasses and sun glasses that are designed specifically for use with these dolls. Encourages acceptance and a better understanding of the physically challenged.

## **PRIMARY/JUNIOR**

### Glasses (L35908)

This video, created using puppet animation, explores what it is like for a boy who doesn't see things the way everyone else does, but longs to fit in. Milo lives in a lonely, blurred world and is blind to his one true friend. A visit to the eye doctor brings things into focus, and a new pair of glasses gives him power, but he loses sight of who his friends really are until a crushing accident reminds him. A good discussion-starter for peer pressure, fear of feeling left out, friendship and acceptance.

## **INTERMEDIATE/SENIOR**

### Journey of Lesra Martin (L35911)

Lesra Martin was poor, illiterate and struggling on the violent streets of Brooklyn when a

chance encounter gave him a fresh start in Canada, where he became a hero when he helped bring justice to wrongfully imprisoned American boxer Rubin "Hurricane" Carter. Finding the courage to change his own life, today Lesra is a lawyer and a motivational speaker on the world stage. This video shows the personal story beneath the fame, complete with interviews with Lesra, his family and friends.

### Under one sky : Arab women in North America talk about the hijab (L35909)

To Western eyes, the veil is one of the most contentious symbols of Middle Eastern culture. It represents the oppression of Muslim women, mysterious sexuality and the struggle between Eastern and Western values. Against a backdrop of ads and Hollywood movies, this video presents several modern North American Arab women, who wear the hijab as a proud emblem of their identity and heritage.

## **PROFESSIONAL**

### Safe at School : a proactive approach (E01571)

This video program provides vivid and real life examples of the characteristics of a safe school and outlines and evaluates the components of a comprehensive safe school plan. It also examines the ways in

which community groups and resources can be incorporated into the plan.

Time to lead : management skills for principals (E01573)  
Principals and vice-principals work in a stressful environment which is made more so when they lack the information and techniques to prioritize and manage their time. This video program will assist administrators in coping with the workload they face and help them achieve their goals of working with students, parents, teachers and, the community. Features 6 practicing principals and vice-principals in Ontario and includes a guide with activities, worksheets and overheads.

### School councils : making a difference (E01572)

This video program provides guidance for school councils and school leaders on how to make councils more efficient and effective. The video covers the role of parents, what school councils can do, reaching out to the community, factors for success, the effective meeting, recruiting council members, and planning for the future. Practical ideas and strategies for both principals and council chairs are presented. A guidebook includes activities and strategies for use by individual administrators or council chairs.

# Themes: “THE BOOK WAS BETTER!”

Many teachers, when ordering a novel set, are surprised to find out that the LRC often has a video of the title as well.

Show the video after your class reads the book and let them decide which was better – the movie or the book.

Everyone probably knows we have the videos for some of the tried and true and most popular novel sets, such as *Holes*, *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory*, *Hatchet* and *The Outsiders*, but there are also some lesser used, but nevertheless exciting alternatives. Below are listed just a few of the many choices.

## **Pinballs (Junior)**

By the Newbery Award-winning author Betsy Byars, this is the moving story about three orphans who after enduring many hardships finally find love when thrown together in a foster home.

Novel set - G01476,  
Video - X11320

## **Peanut butter solution (Junior)**

Michael, the 11-year old hero, investigates a supposedly haunted house that has recently burned down. What he sees scares him so badly that he faints, and on top of that, two days later all of his hair falls out. A couple of ghosts give him a magic recipe to make his hair grow back, but Michael puts too much of one of the ingredients - peanut butter - into the concoction

and astonishing results occur!

Novel set - G01973,  
Video - X07107

## **I heard the owl call my name (Intermediate/Senior)**

On the remote Pacific Northwest coast stands Kingcome, a village where the old culture of totems and potlatch is being replaced by a new culture of prefab housing

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and alcoholism where the younger generation is disenfranchised and alienated from its heritage. This primitive locale provides a backdrop for a young vicar's rediscovery of life, love, courage and dignity.

Novel set - G02057,  
Video - L04557

## **HINT:**

When searching in Medianet, try a keyword search for “visual novel”. You may find a video to compliment your novel study, or you may see one you didn't know we had!

## **LOST AND FOUND**

Are you missing something from your classroom or the school library?

Regularly, items that do not belong to the LRC are sent to us in the courier along with our own resources. These items include all manner of things from videos to books to toys. Below is just a sampling of some of the items we have at present: numerous videos including, *Franklin and the Computer*, *Water Supply in Canada*, *Making a Difference Through Global Education*, *Discovering Lifeskills*, *Healing Adult Children* and *The Life and Times of Terry Fox*, handouts from a learning kit (*Ancient Civilizations: Rome*), *Dr. Fry's Instant Word Practice Book* (teacher's resource), *The Cabbages are Chasing the Rabbits* (hard cover book), a complete keyboard training kit, a deer jigsaw puzzle, a bin of rubber animals, and a set of cowbells. We also have numerous other videos, soft cover books and audio cassettes.

If you are missing something, it might be here! Give the booking department a call (extension 2253).

# Multimedia Ideas

## Working with Data/Video Projectors

If you're contemplating using one of these popular devices here are a few things to consider before getting underway:

### 1. Choosing the Input. Computer or Video.

Most newer projectors allow you to project data from a computer or video from a VCR. Make sure you choose the input on the projector that corresponds with the type of signal you wish to project. For example: Input 1 = computer signal (or RGB), Input 2 = S-Video, Input 3 = Video

If you're booking a projector from the LRC be sure to specify what type of signal you wish to project because some of our older projectors will only project video and some newer machines will only project computer data.

### 2. Test connections.

If you're using a laptop you connect your computer to the projector by using an RGB cable. One end of this cable attaches to the external monitor port at the back of your laptop and the other end connects to the projector. In some instances, the ends of the cable differ and must be matched accordingly to the computer and projector. In most cases, the ends are the same and can be plugged interchangeably into either the computer or projector.

Once the connection is made, ensure that the input selection on the projector is set to RGB or computer input.

### 3. Adjusting displays for laptops.

You also need to know how to send a signal out of your external monitor port in order to project your computer image. This method will vary depending on the type of laptop you may have and the operating system you run. IBM laptops allow the user to send a signal through the monitor port by first depressing the FN(function key) and then depressing the F7 key. (Watch for the little monitor icon on this key to help you remember.)

Depressing these keys takes you through a 3 stage cycle:

- Display only on laptop monitor
- Display only on external monitor (in this case projector)
- Display on both the laptop monitor and the external monitor.

After activating the external monitor port, the projector should now be displaying your computer image on the wall.

### 4. Adding audio to your presentation.

If audio is involved, whether from your computer or from a VCR, you should consider using a portable amplifier to ensure your sound is heard clearly by your audience. Not all projectors have built-in speakers, and those that do are only

intended to broadcast to a small, intimate audience. If sound is an important part of your presentation please ask about the portable amplifiers available for loan from the LRC.

### 5. Adjusting the display

Projectors have menu systems that allow you to control brightness, contrast, colour balance, etc. Your projected picture should closely resemble the picture on your computer. Make adjustments accordingly. Remember that bigger is not necessarily better. Your audience should be able to read the small text in your presentation easily but don't sacrifice picture vibrancy by placing your projector any further from the screen than it needs to be.

### 6. Final words

Technology can be unpredictable at the best of times. Always give yourself enough time to troubleshoot potential problems that might derail your presentation.



### DID YOU KNOW?

Today... LCD projectors now retail for approximately \$1400.

3 years ago... a projector came with less resolution and a dimmer image and would have cost approximately \$7000.

6 years ago... a projector with similar functionality would have cost \$12,000!

# OESS SOFTWARE SPOTLIGHT

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## Tabs Plus 3

**Operating System:**

Win 95/98 WinNT/2000/XP, Mac OS 6.05-9

**Format:** CD-ROM

**Grade Level:** Four to Six, Seven and Eight

**Language:** English, French

**Subjects:** Broad Based Technology, Mathematics, Technological Education, Visual Arts

**Product Description** Tabs Plus (3) is a tool for learning simple Computer Aided Design, Modeling and 3D Mathematics. It is a 'Design & Make' software, a tool to model an idea quickly on the computer, print it out as NETS and build into a real-world model. Tabs Plus (3) is used in Design & Technology. Tabs Plus (3) helps pupils learn 3D Mathematics in a practical way. Tabs Plus (3) is ideal for simple 2D/3D net modelling. Guide and tutorial in PDF are on the CD-ROM.

**Software Distribution Rights Installation/**

**duplication Rights:** All public elementary and secondary schools and school boards and educational programs operated by school boards throughout the Province of Ontario, and further includes First Nation and native schools in Ontario, operating under the Ontario educational curriculum as such curriculum may exist from time to time, the Ontario Institute for Studies in Education, Faculties of Education and Ontario teacher training institutes.

Shipped to school Teacher Librarians March 3, 2004

See <http://www.osapac.org/dbOESS/dbOESSe2.asp?id=304> for links to Curriculum Expectations.



### **REMINDER**

If you've created a data CD, such as a school yearbook and wish to make multiple copies of your masterpiece the LRC can help.

The Multimedia department offers a CD duplicating service and can offer options around labelling and packaging.

Call Stan or Hank to discuss timelines and pricing.

*Multimedia Services: Making Multimedia Accessible!*

# Library Technical Services

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## Automation Update. New Library System

KPR is migrating all of its school libraries to the Horizon library system . As of September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2004 the KPR Dynix library system will no longer be in use.

### **What does this mean for School Library staff?**

All school libraries will be sharing the same library system, and will become members of KLLiC, (Kawartha Lakeshore Library Information Consortium) which includes secondary schools from the PVNC Catholic District School Board as well as the Peterborough Public Library and affiliated branches. All KPR school libraries will be automated and using the Horizon system as of Sept 1<sup>st</sup> 2004.

### **What records will be in the new system?**

- All of the bibliographic data and patrons will be migrated to the new system. No circulation history will be kept however.
- None of the current fines and blocks, past checkouts, or overdues will be on the new system. CKOs will be set to zero.

### **Will there be any training?**

Training will be provided in early September. Look for the memorandum giving dates and times to be circulated shortly.

### **What should the library do to prepare for the migration?**

- Schools are advised to resolve all or as many outstanding blocks as possible by end of the school year.
- Run a final summary notices near end of term and keep a paper copy.
- Run a final report on collection and circulation statistics prior to end of term and keep a paper copy.
- Running an inventory is not required prior to the merge. We will be doing checks and counts of items to make sure all data is present in the new system.

### **Do we need new computers or software?**

- Two computers** are slated for each location as library administration work stations with the Horizon client pre-loaded.
- They are **not** configured to be used as student work stations.
- Technicians are prepared to add a hub where there is only a single network drop available.

### **Will it be possible for staff to view the system before September?**

Interested staff can browse the existing catalogue by opening the following address in their Internet browser.  
<http://204.187.140.69/ipac20/ipac.jsp?&profile=kllic>

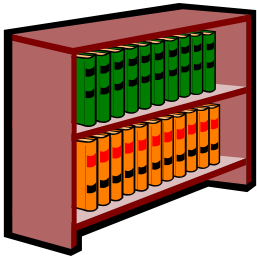
Anyone who wishes a full demonstration of the Circulation system can contact the LRC for a preview.

### **Will the Elementary schools use the same catalogue as the secondary school libraries?**

A Kids PAC is currently being developed with more visual and graphic features to assist younger students in searching the online catalogue. Dynix demo site <http://sales.dynix.com/ipac20/ipac.jsp?profile=main-kids>

### **Other Questions?**

Call or E-mail Johan Ragetli, x2243



# Professional Library : Journals

Not only does the LRC Professional Library have a great selection of teacher resources, we also

have subscriptions to many scholarly print and online journals to support your professional development.

To access the print collection search the KPR online catalogue or drop in to the LRC and browse the collection.

All KPR staff and students also have access to thousands of online full-text journals on EbscoHost which is available to you via the Internet. Visit the LRC website to find the link.

EbscoHost is your gateway to hundreds of e-journals containing thousands of articles from



hundreds of different publishers, all at one web site.

- Find a specific journal quickly by using the Find Journals feature.
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allows you to easily find journals that cover specific topics.

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- Set up searches to run automatically and send you e-mail whenever new articles that match your criteria are added to EbscoHost.

[Http://search.epnet.com](http://search.epnet.com)

## Summer Hours

If you are taking courses this summer or just wishing to do some research, please remember that the Professional Library is open daily, from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm throughout July and August.

## Borrowing materials from the Professional Library

Come in and browse or contact us by phone or e-mail. Materials can be sent directly to schools via the board courier.

Joan Graham x2245

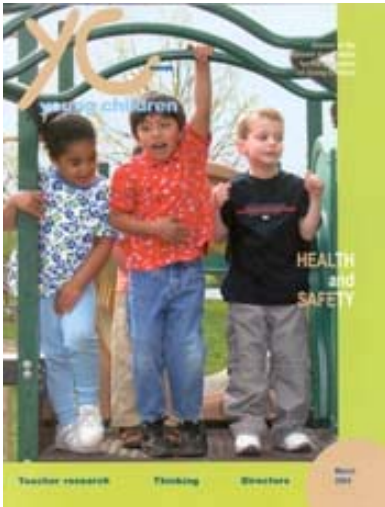
E-mail: [Joan\\_Graham@kpr.edu.on.ca](mailto:Joan_Graham@kpr.edu.on.ca)

## Search the Professional Library on the Web

Look for the latest education titles from home. The LRC Professional collection's holdings have been copied over to the Horizon library system. This means staff and students can now search the Professional Collection anywhere on the web.

Go to the LRC Web Page and click on **LRC Professional Library**.

<<http://204.187.140.69/ipac20/ipac.jsp?&profile=lrc>>



# LRC

## LRC Contact People and Numbers

### LEARNING RESOURCES CENTRE

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Suzanne Ashby	Circulation	x2252
Val Carl	Circulation	x2250
Jane Foley	Circulation	x2248
Joan Graham	Professional Library	x2245
Stan Kicak	Multimedia	x2247
Rosie Lo	Secretary	x2257
Angie Miles	LRC Helper	x2257
Jeanne Mounstevan	Technical Services	x2244
Johan Ragetli	Automation/Systems	x2243
Hank Sampson	Multimedia	x2246
Angie Simmons	Circulation	x2254
Sharon Slaughter	Technical Services	x2298
Caroline Stock	Media Booking	x2253

Visit us on the web for more education links.

[Http://www.kpr.edu.on.ca/BoardInfo/Services/Educ/Lrc/index.htm](http://www.kpr.edu.on.ca/BoardInfo/Services/Educ/Lrc/index.htm)

## Web sites we like

### Ask a Teacher!

Ask a Teacher! is an educational Web site offering free homework help for students. Ask a Teacher! connects students with teachers live and online. Teachers answer homework questions and provide online tutorial support from Sunday through Thursday evenings from 6:30 p.m. until 10:30 p.m.  
[http://www.ilc.org/cfm/AAT/AboutAAT/aat\\_AboutMain.cfm](http://www.ilc.org/cfm/AAT/AboutAAT/aat_AboutMain.cfm)

### Kawartha Environmental Educators' Network (KEEN) Resource Directory

The stated goal of the directory is to help teachers and youth leaders who work near Peterborough, Ontario to find the best possible resources to support high quality environmental education. A wide selection of resources have been evaluated by teachers and youth leaders and includes books, videos,

kits, web sites, field trips and human resources within the region.  
<http://www.keenet.org/>

### Flat Stanley project

Flat Stanley is an International Literacy and Communications Activity for Primary and Junior Students, Teachers and Families. Participants create a cut out figure to send to other schools, pen pals, or celebrities.

<http://flatstanley.enoreo.on.ca/index.htm>

*Prime Minister Martin holding Flat Stanley*



### Curriculum Resource Bank

The Curriculum Resource Bank (CRB) is a new online database of the best of TVOntario's award-winning K-12 learning resources. Co-developed by TVOntario and The Education Network of Ontario (ENO), the CRB offers indexed video for teachers and students. Teachers can also enjoy downloadable teacher guides, lesson plans, and discussion forums.

<http://www.enoreo.on.ca/crb/dyn/index.php>

### EduWeb Adventures

Educational Web Adventures (Eduweb®) has developed 75 award-winning online learning activities about art, history and science since 1996. On the company's website you'll find links to all the sites they have developed. Teachers and students can select online activities and adventures by grade or subject. Most sites are well-developed, detailed and interactive.

<http://www.eduweb.com/>

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