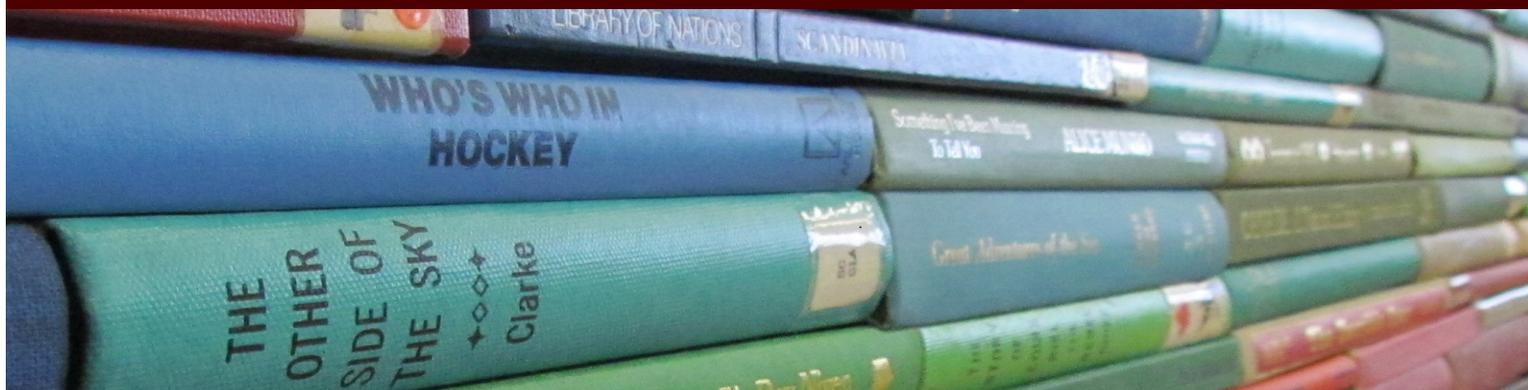


# Endnotes

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*Thanks to Ms Wood's  
photography class for the  
photos used in the newsletter.*

## Online Database Update

Good news! As you may remember, we lost our subscription to Knowledge Ontario's online databases in January last year. This year the Board has approved renewal of these databases and we hope to have access to them shortly. I will pass on the details, urls and passwords once they have been established. These databases are a wonderful resource and the library will be offering workshops on effective searching techniques later in the semester. Stay tuned!



## Welcome Back!

Greetings to all returning staff and welcome to those of you who are new to the school. This newsletter will outline the services, resources and equipment which can be found in our library.

The library is open from 8:00—3:15, and is available for class visits during the day. There is a reservation binder on my desk, feel free to drop by or email me and book some library time. The library is fully equipped with a mounted projector, laptop and sound system, in addition to fifteen computers, printer and photocopier. The library also welcomes special guests and speakers—last year a number of activities took place in the library and I would love to see that continue this year.

I will be offering library orientations to the grade 9 students once again this year. If you have a grade 9 homeroom, or teach grade 9s second period I would love to meet them. The orientation isn't long, 15—20 minutes and my hope is to assist our newest North Stars feel comfortable using the library.

The library's website is still growing, and this year I hope to add more content to assist students with their research as well as book news and reviews. As well, be on the lookout for the new RDSB Virtual Library coming soon...



## NFB Campus

The National Film Board Campus was created with the educator in mind, and offers users the opportunity to access the NFB's film bank with the added bonus of lesson plans, curriculum connections, and a growing number of interactive activities.

Once you create an account you have the opportunity to search for films by director, title or subject. Films can also be searched by language and grade level. You can also browse the thematic playlists Campus has already created. If you click on the "for teachers" tab you will find the school subject index which lists many school related subjects ranging from English to Arts Education to Civics and Careers and everything in between.

Campus allows you to create your own playlists based on your classroom needs. You also have the ability to create chapters within the films if you only want to show parts of a film. Such playlists and

chapters are then saved in your account to be accessed at any time.

Educator's guides are another feature of interest to teachers. Available by film title and selected themes, educator guides provide context for NFB films and practical advice on exploring complex issues in the classroom. Available in downloadable PDF format.

In addition to films, Campus offers interactive activities. Ideal for use with interactive whiteboards, the NFB's award-winning interactive collection features inventive storytelling and new opportunities for action-based learning.

To get started click [here](#) and login with your school name. You can then create an NFB account if you don't already have one. If you have any questions about the site please let me know and I'll do what I can to help.

## SAY WHAT?

*"Outside of a dog, a book is a man's best friend. Inside of a dog, it's too dark to read"*

*Groucho Marx*

## New Books!

Animation ... Film-making ... Street Art ... Photography ... Cartooning ...

The library went shopping this summer and stocked up on new art books. Our collection now boasts a fine selection of books to inspire our budding artists. I plan on adding new material throughout the year so if you have any suggestions feel free to send them my way.

The fiction collection has also been bolstered with the teen collection growing in leaps and bounds. As with last year, young adult author John Green continues to be a favourite with the students. More award winning literature and best selling fiction have also been added. Come down to the library and check out what's new!

## Encyclopedia Britannica online

The Ministry of Education recently announced Ontario schools will now have access to the online version of Encyclopedia Britannica. This product will replace Grolier Online which is no longer licenced. A link will be added to the library's website, in the meantime you can access the encyclopedia here:

<http://school.eb.com>

Username: rainbodsb

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