

# Norcross Elementary School August 2013



#### Welcome back to school!

The NES Media Center is gearing up for an exciting school year! We will continue to offer monthly reading promotions, reading promotions from groups such as Six Flags, Pizza Hut, Gladiators, etc.

GALILEO (password available from your Library Media Specialist) has wonderful resources for the whole family….from PreK to adults.

Check out this valuable online library.

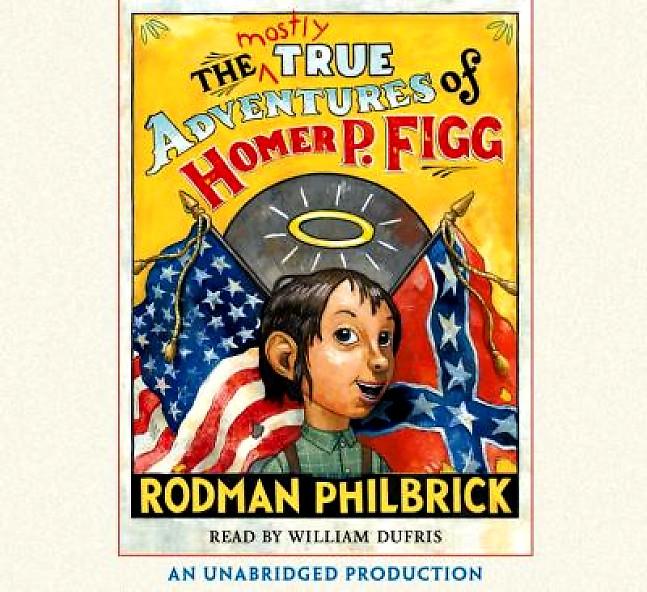
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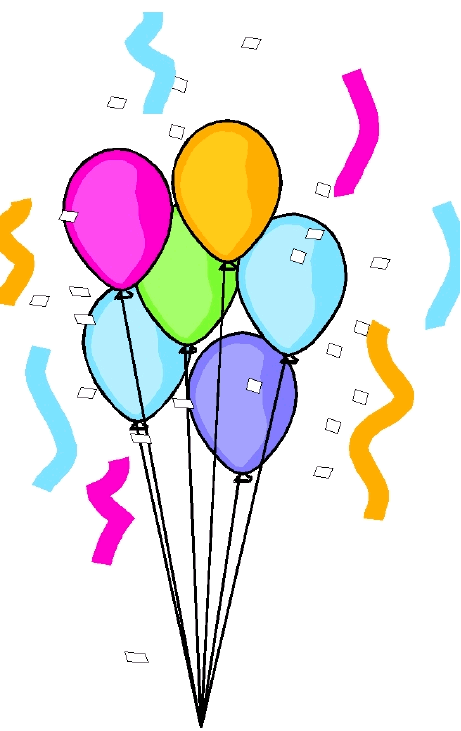
**Try a Historical Fiction book!**

They are fictional stories that take place in a particular time period in the past. Often the setting is real, but the characters are made up from the author’s imagination.

A Newberry Honor Book



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# Literary Birthdays:

**James Howe August 2**<http://www.scholastic.com/teachers/contributor/james-howe>

**Betsy Byars August 7**<http://www.betsybyars.com>

**Marjorie K Rawlings August 8**

<http://www.britannica.com/EBchecked/topic/492340/Marjorie-Kinnan-Rawlings>

**Jose Aruego August 9**

<http://www.harpercollinschildrens.com/kids/authorsandillustrators/contributordetail.aspx?cid=11745>

**Seymour Simon August 9**

<http://www.seymoursimon.com>

**Joanna Cole August 11**

<http://www.readingrockets.org/books/interviews/colej/>

# Brinton Turkle August 13

<http://www.childrensliteraturenetwork.org/birthbios/brthpage/08aug/8-15turkle.html>

**Vicki Cobb** **August 19**

<http://www.vickicobb.com>

# Ogden Nash August 19

<http://www.ogdennash.org>

**Tasha Tudor August 28**

<http://www.tashatudorandfamily.com>

**Karen Hesse**  **August 29**

<http://www.childrensliteraturenetwork.org/aifolder/aipages/ai_h/hesse.php>

**Virginia Lee Burton August** **30**

<http://www.houghtonmifflinbooks.com/features/mike_mulligan/>

**Donald Crews August 30**

<http://www.harpercollins.com/authors/16149/Donald_Crews/index.aspx>

Be true to your work, your word, and your friend.

~ Henry David Thoreau

***The Mostly True Adventures of Homer P. Figg***

by Rodman Philbrick

When his older brother gets conscripted into the Union Army, Homer runs away from his uncle. He sets out after Harold but has multiple misadventures along the way. He survives thanks to courage, luck, and his talent for telling lies when needed, since "old Truth ain't nearly as useful as a fib sometimes." Homer relates his own adventures in colorful language as he crosses paths with con men, rogues, and scoundrels of various types.

**How much do you know about your grandparents? Although your grandma and grandpa may know your favorite book, food and place to go, do you know theirs?  
Learn more about your grandparents by inviting them to take you to the library.   
You can start by asking them to share their favorite book with you. Find out why it is their favorite book and who their favorite character in the book is.   
 (From the ALA website)**