

# RSD17 Elementary Library Media Centers Participate in the 2017 Global Read Aloud



Hello RSD17 Families!

This year, the elementary library media classes in grades K-4 will be participating in a project called the Global Read Aloud. This project will start October 2nd and will run for approximately 6 weeks. The idea behind it is very simple; teachers around the world read the same book aloud to their students and then use technology to share the reading experience with other classrooms. It is a free project and it fits perfectly into the information literacy standards we cover.

All grade levels will be enjoying read alouds and other activities during their time in the library media center each week. This year's featured authors are Mem Fox and Victoria J. Coe. The exciting part is that students throughout the district and around the world will be reading the same books during the same week. We will use technology tools such as Padlet and Book Creator to facilitate these connections and conversations.

We are very excited to connect with others, especially since more than 600,000 students are already signed up to participate. This project will allow for our students to use multimedia tools in meaningful ways, as well as raise awareness about other cultures, all the while listening to a fantastic read aloud.

If you would like more information about the Global Read Aloud, feel free to visit the website [www.theglobalreadaloud.com](http://www.theglobalreadaloud.com). You can also visit the elementary library media center district website at <http://elibrarymediacenters.rsd17.org/> We look forward to starting this exciting project with your child, as well as seeing the connections we will make.

All Our Best,

The RSD17 Elementary Library Media Team