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### Outreach, Projects & Visits

- ◆ We have had invitations to attend community fairs, PTA meetings and open school nights, plus requests for class visits. The second graders from Mamaroneck Avenue School all walked over for storytimes, tours and new library cards.
- ◆ Tata Canuelas attended the Hispanic fair at Eastview School with Assistant Director Degyansky, and Debra Gaffey went to both back to school nights at Ridgeway School.
- ◆ Terry Rabideau decorated our bulletin board with the back to school yellow school bus.
- ◆ Tata spoke to the mothers in the Head Start Socialization class and gave the families library cards.
- ◆ Raquel Cavalcanti mounted the information about the Edge in the first floor lobby with some eye-catching lettering.
- ◆ Terry accompanied Tata on a visit to the Woodfield Cottage, bringing books for the teens.
- ◆ After attending the KidLib day at the Darien Public Library, Bonnie Grant planned a "Crafternoon" program for this fall. Crafts are always popular, and each Trove staff member can take a turn to try out a new project. Bonnie will start with decorating your school supplies with duct tape.

### Programs

- ◆ The first week of September, school was not in session, so we set out games in The Castle, and played our Going Into Kindergarten film in the Cave. Overheard in The Trove: "I don't want to go a la escuela!"
- ◆ We were up to our usual schedule of programs by the end of September. Attendance in general has been quiet this month. Could it be the splendid weather?
- ◆ Our Manhattanville College student tutors have been covering homework help until the Teacher In The Library program resumed at the end of the month. This worked out well since we have not been as busy.
- ◆ Deb arranged for the dogs to start visiting - she always finds willing readers!
- ◆ With Austin Olney, we planned a continuation of the successful Scratch video game program over the summer. For the fall, Austin will run a 3D animation program called Alice for older kids.

### Staff

- ◆ Rosemary is taking the WLS Spanish class at WCC.
- ◆ Terry attended the NYLA conference in Niagra Falls. She is on the YSS committee and also presented her StoryWalk program. The YSS committee met to plan the spring conference.
- ◆ Tata continues her committee work for WLA and the Ann Izard Award.