

# CARDINAL LIBRARY NEWS

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## A Look at Library Lessons



**WE ARE  
DIGITAL  
CITIZENS.**

### Kindergarten - Fifth Grade

Students kicked off a 4 week unit on Digital Citizenship. These lessons are centered on teaching students how to be safe, responsible, and respectful when using technology. Each week, the lessons will focus on a different component of Digital Citizenship. The first lesson was Media Balance. While this topic looked different for each grade level, all students learned the same theme.

The Media Balance lesson taught students the importance of balancing the time they spend on technology with real life activities such as playing outside, coloring, reading, and spending time with family. Students of all grade levels spoke with their partners about what games and activities they do while using technology. Students also learned the negative effects of staring at screens for hours at a time. Lastly, students discussed how they feel after being on technology for long periods of a time.

K-2 Vocabulary Words: Online, offline, well-being, balance, screens

3-5 Vocabulary Words: Media Balance, digital citizen, well-being, technology

### Monthly Theme



Happy Native American Heritage Month! During the month of November,



November is the month of acknowledging gratitude! Enjoy time

schools recognize deeply rooted traditions, cultures, and the achievements of Native Americans. This includes Native Hawaiians, and Alaskan Natives.

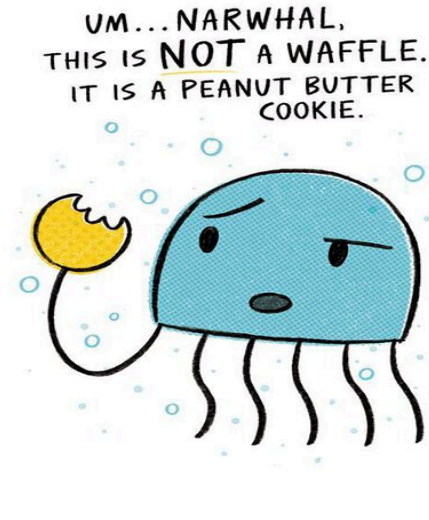
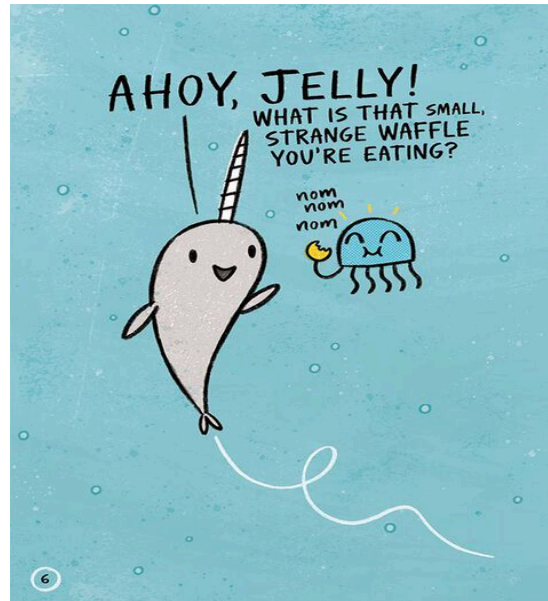
[Click here](#) to learn quick facts about Native Americans!

with family, laugh often, and slow down and truly take in fall colors, and the change of seasons! Don't forget to eat well, and curl up with a great book!

\*Ways in which kids can show gratitude: Write a note, draw a picture, fill a jar with words of items they are grateful for, and help others.

News

Graphics Novels



Does your scholar enjoy fast reads, awesome images, and speech bubbles? Consider introducing him or her to the world of graphic novels! By definition, graphic novels are, “a work of fiction or nonfiction that is presented in a comic-strip format as published as a book” ([www.merriam-webster.com](http://www.merriam-webster.com)).

Benefits of students reading graphic novels:

- \*Improves visual literacy and vocabulary
- \*Helps reading gain confidence
- \*Engages reluctant readers
- \*Helps boost memory
- \*Inspires creativity

Book information is below:

Title: Super Narwhal and Jelly Jolt by Ben Clanton (Series)

[Click here](#) to view a list of elementary aged graphic novels!

## Author Highlight

### Indigenous Author & Illustrator Michaela Goalde

Goalde is a Native American illustrator and author. Her origin is of the Tlingit and Haida tribes. She is known for her work on picture books about Indigenous people.

Quick Facts about M.G.:

\*2021 Caldecott Medalist

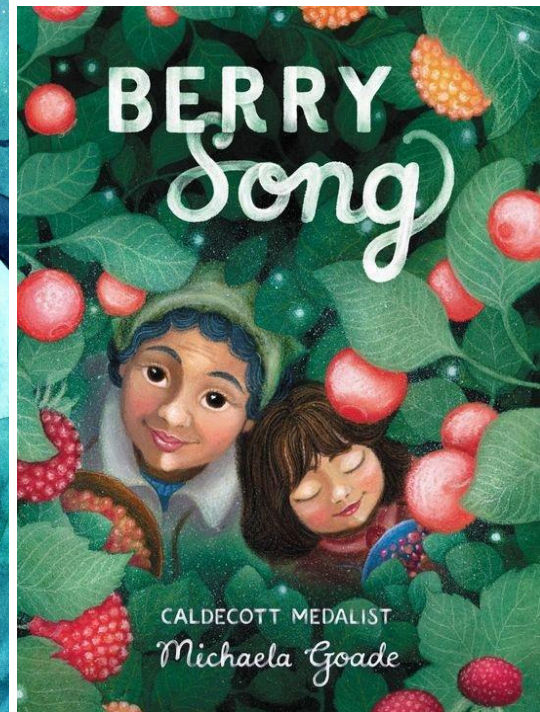
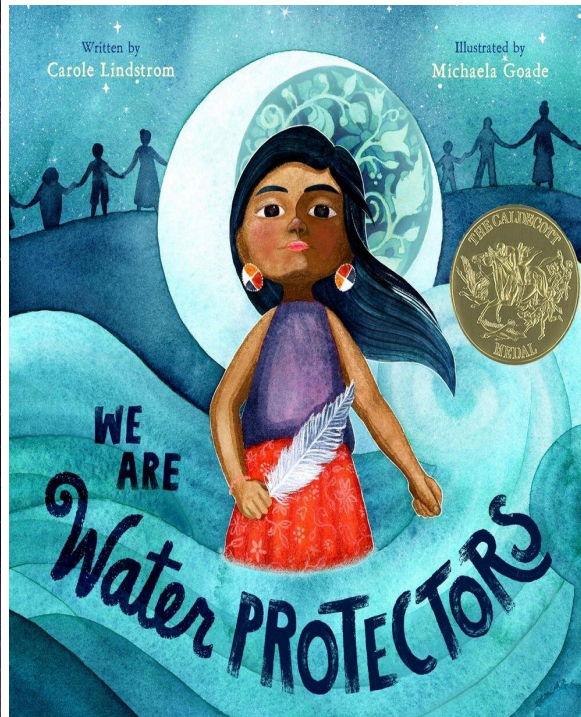
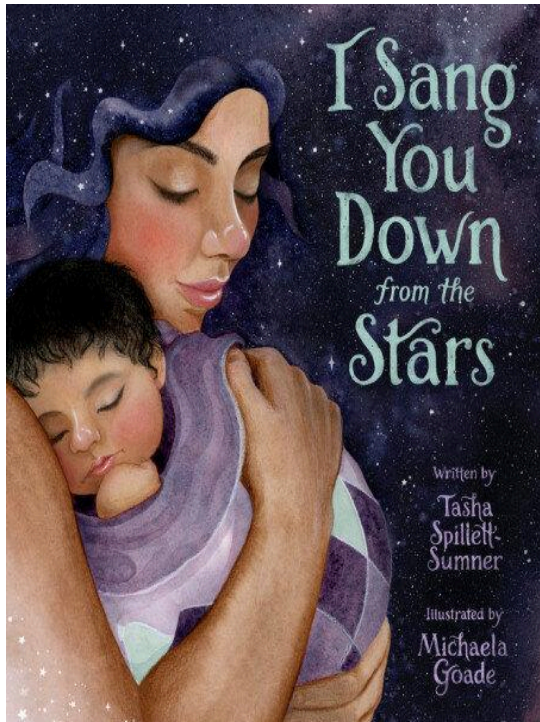
\*New York Times Best Selling illustrator of, "We are Water Protectors"

\*Wrote and illustrated a Berry Song

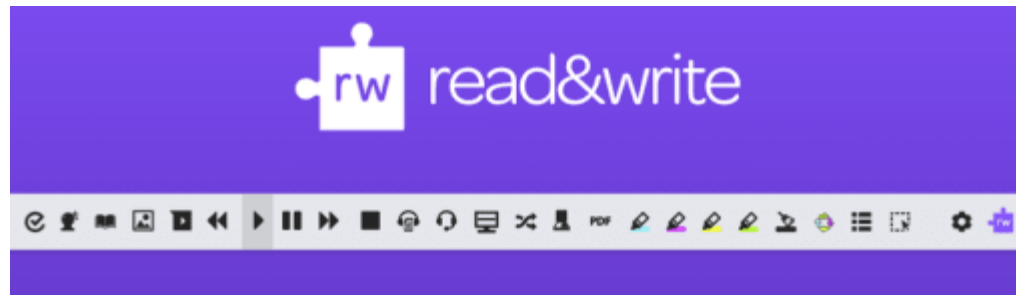
\*Gaulde's work focuses on Indigenous Kid Literature

\*Michaela Goalde was raised in the rainforest and on the beaches of Southeast Alaska

\*Becoming an illustrator and artist has helped Goalde reconnect with her roots and culture



Cool Tool



Google Read and Write is a great tool for students to use during instruction! It is an interactive literacy support tool that helps students gain confidence by using features that will assist them with understanding the content. The Google Read and Write extensions allows students to do the following:

- \*Translating text
- \*Reading text aloud
- \*Highlight text
- \*Picture dictionaries
- \*change reading speed
- \*works for any website

Note: Students can add this extension to their chromebooks with their help of myself, their teacher, or Mr. Antoine.

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