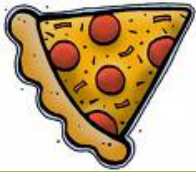


**National Library Week is April 13 – 19. Explore all the Library has to offer!**

### Alumni Author Event



Come enjoy free pizza and fascinating talk with Athenian alum **Joseph R. Lewis**. Joe is the chief web architect at Sandia

National Labs. He has written and lectured extensively on website creation and design. **On April 17 at lunchtime on the Library patio**, Joe will be discussing the technical book industry, the writing process, the correlations between sciences and the arts, and why that relationship is more important than you might think. In addition to his Athenian roots and his tech expertise, Joe has a master's degree from the New England Conservatory of Music in classical double bass performance and is a former professional musician.

### This Month in the Library



**Check out a book in April to win an iTunes Gift Card!**

*Take a look around! The Library's collection is here for you to enjoy. Check out a book from the Upper School Library during April, and you will be entered automatically in a drawing for a \$25 iTunes gift card.*

*Don't know how to check out a book? Step-by-step instructions are posted at the checkout station at Jim's desk. Feel free to ask a librarian or a volunteer to walk you through the quick and easy procedure.*



### Dedication of Judy Harrod Memorial Study Room

The newly renovated study room in the Library will be dedicated to Judy's memory on **Wednesday, April 15**, at lunch. Tributes to Judy are planned, and refreshments will be served. More details to come.

### Share your favorite books for National Library Week.



*Help make the Library better by letting us know what you're reading. Any student who recommends at least one favorite book that they have read in the past 12 months for the main Library collection will receive a yummy and healthy snack at the circulation desk.*

### More to consider. . .

- **SAT Book Exchange:** Finally through with the dreaded SAT and ACT tests? You may want to burn those study guides and workbooks, but resist the temptation. Bring them to the library instead. We're putting together a collection for next year's test takers to re-use.
- **New Library Website Beta Launch:** Thanks to the efforts of a talented and dedicated Library volunteer, a beta-version of our new and updated Athenian Library website will be launched during National Library Week. This great resource features curriculum links, Library information, citation maker, and more. Visit us at <http://athenianlibrary.org>.



**Night  
Table  
Reading**

Each month we'll ask students and faculty what they're reading in their spare time. This time, Hannah Zigler, '12, shares some suggestions:

- \* **Exodus**, by Julie Bertagna. "This book has some interesting ideas about what happens when leaders, even with the best intentions, have too much power."
- \* **Jellicoe Road**, by Melina Marchetta. "This book addresses a lot of deep issues, but makes them accessible through an interesting story."

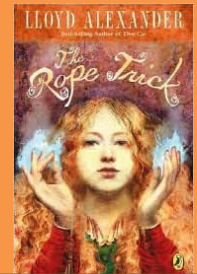
**Middle School Recommendations**



**Does My Head Look Big in This?** By Ramda Abdel-Fatta. The story of Australian 11th-grader Amal's emotional journey as she decides to wear the hijab, or head covering, full time, copes with a mad crush, befriends an elderly neighbor, and tries to help a friend.

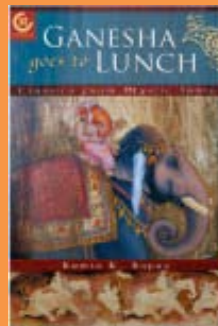


**Steinbeck's Ghost**, by Lewis Buzbee. After an unhappy move to the suburbs, 13-year-old Travis returns to his home in Salinas to try to save the Steinbeck Library, but he begins seeing Steinbeck characters who seem to have a message for him.

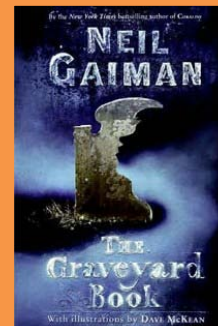


**The Rope Trick**, by Lloyd Alexander. Motivated by her quest to learn a legendary rope trick, the magician Princess Lidi and her troupe embark on a journey to locate the elusive and legendary Ferramondo, the only one who knows how the trick is performed.

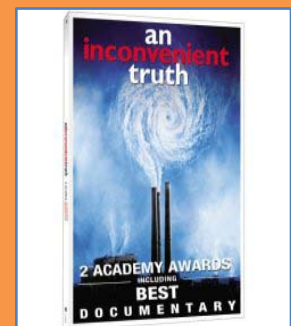
**Upper School Recommendations**



**Ganesha Goes to Lunch: Classics from Mystic India**, by Kamla Kapur. The mythic stories of India made accessible in these beautiful retellings. Includes the stories of Vishnu, Brahma, Shiva, Parvati and others.



**The Graveyard Book**, by Neil Gaiman. Bod is a normal boy, except that he is being raised by ghosts, lives in a graveyard, and can't leave without being hunted down by the man who killed his parents. Another terrifying, magical adventure from the author of *Coraline*.



**ON DVD: An Inconvenient Truth**. For Earth Day, check out the DVD of the Oscar-winning documentary that opened the eyes of millions to the real perils of global climate change. Includes a 30-minute introduction from Al Gore with updated information.



**New Art Exhibitions  
in the Upper School Library**

"Reuse, renew, recycle" applies in the art world, too.

In the Upper School, three-dimensional art and visual design students are displaying sculptural art objects inspired by shapes in nature and photos of 3D pieces made from flowers, sticks, mud and other natural materials.

Spanish students created traditional Latin American/Caribbean masks after a workshop with a local Oakland artist, including the one pictured above.

In the Middle School art classes, students have transformed some outdated library books into works of art. Come see what new forms these books have taken on.

**Earth Day is April 22.**

In celebration of Earth Day, the Library is showcasing the environment from all angles, exploring the personal, economic, scientific, and historical significance of climate change, energy use, and environmental policy. **Farewell My Subaru** tells the personal story of a family's effort to "live locally;" **The Little Ice Age** details the cultural ramifications of the global cooling that took place from 1350 – 1850; **The World Without Us** explores what Earth would be like without the pressure of human development; **The Green Collar Economy** maps out a plan for developing green industries to address our environmental problems and create new jobs; **Global Warming** is a primer on the science of climate change. There's much more – take a look!