

Thoreau Elementary School
Children's Programs
2021-2022

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Kindergarten Date TBD	<p>Suzanne Bloom (Author/Illustrator)</p> <p>The author/illustrator of the ever popular Goose and Bear series (including the Geisel Honor- winning, <i>A Splendid Friend, Indeed</i>) will visit the kindergartners to share how she creates her books. By showing her sloppy copies, sketches, and scribbles she will emphasize the importance of choosing words wisely and illustrate how the creative process can be applied to any activity.</p>
Grade 1 Feb. 10, 2022	<p>Brian Lies (Author/Illustrator)</p> <p>NY Times best-selling author and illustrator of many children's books, most notably the 'bat series' (<i>Bats at the Beach, Bats at the Ballgame</i>, etc.), Lies will take students into the world of writing and illustrating children's books. Showing his original artwork and the many drafts that make a book, he brings a powerful message of believing in yourself and not giving up.</p>
Grade 2 Jan. 20, 2022	<p>Discovery Museum - Sound (Science)</p> <p>Plunging a vibrating tuning fork into a bowl of water creates quite a spray as students learn that sound is vibration. Students actively engage in exploring sound by creating unique "sound makers" using household materials.</p>
Grade 3 Date TBD	<p>People of the East: Wampanoag Traditions & Ways Of Life</p> <p>Students will explore Wampanoag culture and traditions with Plimoth's contemporary Indigenous Museum Educators. Learn about the daily life of the Wampanoag in the 17th century. Students will explore the connection the Wampanoag and other Native People have to their seasonal way of life, their respect for all living beings, and the ways they continue to carry on their traditions today.</p>
Grade 4 Date TBD	<p>Azilee's Porch Productions: MLK: Amazing Grace</p> <p>Four storytellers use minor props and costume changes to become some of the most famous - and some of the not so famous - participants in the civil rights movement. Each story is taken from real life accounts with added research to give a background to this explosive time in United States history.</p> <p>Students will watch a video recording of the presentation</p>
Grade 5	Undecided

