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Title: Reading is Fun, Durban is Great, An Author Came to Celebrate!

Cynthia Randina, Hopatcong Superintendent of Schools, Announces –



Thanks to a generous donation from the Hopatcong Elementary Parent Teacher Organization (HEPTO), the Durban Avenue School was honored to have a guest author visit on Tuesday, May 24th. Mrs. Elvira Woodruff, led a school-wide assembly on the writing process, editing, and publishing process along with highlighting her “George Washington’s Socks” and “George Washington’s Spy” books! We even learned about her numerous odd jobs that led her to her final career as a children’s author.

All classes participated in a school-wide door decorating contest to win VIP seating at this year’s assembly. Our student’s at the Durban Avenue School voted, and Mr. Venturino’s 4th grade class and Mrs. Catizone’s 5th grade class earned these front row seats. Mr. Venturino’s class door depicted “The Battle of Yorktown” while Mrs. Catizone’s class door represented “Paul Revere’s Ride”.

Following the assembly, Mrs. Woodruff stayed to personally hand out all pre-ordered, autographed books that the students had ordered earlier in the year. Each student had their own time to meet the author, ask questions, and have their picture taken with her. Even reporters from our own “Durban Digs” newspaper had the opportunity to interview her for an upcoming article in their next edition.

After lunch, Mrs. Woodruff spent the afternoon hosting two 30-minute assemblies for all fifth grade students to receive more in-depth information on her writing process and to ask questions. A special thanks to everyone for all of their hard work and dedication in making this event a success!!



Pictured: Katelyn Wulf, Angelina Zammito, Elvira Woodruff, Taylor Fallon, Vanessa Kruczek