

THE P.S.45Q CWS LIBRARY - YEAR IN REVIEW 2025-2026

The PS45Q CWS Library's second year was defined by growth, community engagement, and meaningful investment in our students' literacy. A robust lineup of library-centered events included CWS Library Week and the official Grand Opening of the newly renovated library, funded by the \$50,000 Vital Library Grant. The year stands as a strong testament to what our library community can achieve.

TOTAL # OF COPIES ADDED TO THE COLLECTION

588

Where the Books Came From:

- 320 books using the PS45Q NYSTL Budget of \$2,284 and an additional \$2,465 allotted to the library from the school budget.
- All books were ordered through Mackin.
- 114 books using \$1690 from the Glow Up Grant awarded by the Office of Library Services.
- 154 books from previous donations and collected this year by Ms. Mazdra
- There are approximately 250+ donated books remaining to be processed.



NOTABLE EVENTS AND HONORS

- Opened the School Year with a complete renovation of the CWS Library from our VITAL Library Grant award of \$50,000 and the tireless work of the custodial staff, Ms. Mazdra and the CWS Library Advisory Committee (LAC).
- Participated in MyLibraryNYC. 10 book sets were ordered and checked out to teachers and the library this year.
- Started an After-School Library Club run by Ms. Mazdra & Ms. Gorelick on Tuesdays afterschool from October-May.
- Celebrated the renovation of our Vital Library with a **2025 CWS Library Week** in November which included:
 - Author Visit for 1st and 2nd Grade from Eqtypt Bush - child author of the "Being Egypt" book series.
 - Secret Reader Day
 - Queens Library Mobile Visit
 - **PS45Q Grand Opening !!!**
- Ms. Mazdra was selected to participate in the Sustainable Librarian Initiative Grant which allotted for 4 professional developments and to receive an award from SLI.
- Held 2 Scholastic Book Fairs. One in the Auditorium in December and the second in the Spring in the CWS Library to celebrate School Library Month.
- 1st Library hosted Read-A-Thon held from "World Read Aloud Day" 2/4 to "Read Across America Day" 3/4
- Hosted Mika Song Author/Illustrator visit in March 2026 for the 2nd grade students.
- Ms. Mazdra & Ms. Gordon completed a successful year as Backstage Coordinators for our Drama department's production of "Alladin."
- Selected by OLS to apply for the first round of the Library Services Capital Improvement Program Grant (CIP).

LOOKING FORWARD

GOALS AND ASPIRATIONS 2025-2026

- Update and revitalize the Non-fiction section of the library. Process the 250+ books awaiting shelving.
- Expand programming to 3k & 4k
- Integrate Sustainability into the Library Club programming.
- Expand Circulation to 1st & 2nd grade.
- Increase SORA & MyLibraryNYC usage amongst staff & students in all grades.



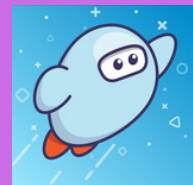
CIRCULATION

Students in Grades 2-5 were able to check books earlier this year starting in late September 2025.

There was an increase of 1,352 books checked out!!!

TOTAL # OF BOOKS CHECKED OUT THIS YEAR:

3,415



E-BOOKS AND AUDIOBOOKS READ USING THE NYC DIGITAL LIBRARY ON SORA

790

TOP 3 CWS BOOK CHECK OUTS



TOP 3 SORA CHECK OUTS

