In celebration of *Massachusetts Family Literacy Month* and
National Novel Writing Month, join our

Story Writing Contest

Grab your pencil and create!
Write your story submit it by November 30.

Your story will be displayed in the Children's Room and online.
(Unless otherwise notified, we will post your submission on the
Children's Room Blog with your first name and age.)

Winners will be announced December 13.

1st, 2nd, and 3rd place prizes will be awarded
to winners from each age group:
1st – 3rd graders
4th - 6th graders

All entries that follow the guidelines will receive a prize!

**You can also publish your story by creating an account with
nanowrimo.org.**
Flip over for more information and contest guidelines.

<u>Guidelines:</u>

❖ Stories can be submitted electronically or in print
❖ Stories submitted electronically must be sent as .doc or .pdf files to **lder@mvlc.org**. (If you do not receive a confirmation email within 72 hours, please call to confirm that your story was received.)
❖ Word count must be between 250-800 words
❖ Stories must be typed, on one side of an 8 ½ x 11 page
❖ Illustrations are welcome on 8 ½ x 11 paper
❖ Only one story submission per person
❖ Titles should be on the FRONT of the first page
❖ Please label the BACK of the last page with your name, grade, phone number, and word count
❖ No staples please
❖ Submit stories no later than 4pm on
Saturday, November 30, 2013

National Novel Writing Month's Young Writers Program provides kids and teens with a month-long language arts experience that improves self-esteem, teaches perseverance, and radically alters their relationship to writing and literature.
For more information: http://www.nanowrimo.org/eng/ywp

What's next? Publish your story!
Nanowrimo in collaboration with Create Space will publish five free paperback copies to young writers who meet their goal. To get started, create an account and upload your story to the Nanowrimo website. Once your story has been verified, you'll receive a promo code for you to use at Create Space.