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An Olentangy Education Foundation Grant Update From The Alum Creek Elementary Unified Arts Teachers:





ACES Outdoor Learning Stations





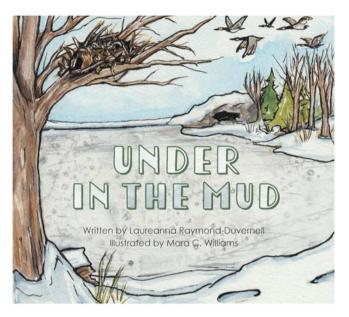
pictured left to right:
Mrs. DeVito - P.E. teacher
Mrs. Nickolai - Library Media Specialist
Ms. McDonnell - Music teacher
Mrs. Sodano - Art teacher

The Alum Creek Elementary outdoor learning stations were installed in late November. The frames were open for business on December 4th! The Unified Arts teachers created a StoryWalk for their first outdoor adventure. The story that is featured inside the frames is titled, **Under in the Mud**. It is a story about where animals go in the winter. Each sign post features a page of the story, a fact that relates to the story and a connection to music, art or P.E. The students and staff were very excited to see the new outdoor learning experience! Thank you so much for funding this project!

Outdoor Learning Station Photos

WELCOME TO OUR STORYWALK!

A fun and interactive way to enjoy literacy in nature!



About Under in the Mud

Many often wonder, "Where do animals go in the winter?" It is a natural curiosity about the cycle of nature right outside our doors. Under in the Mud introduces ten different animals and how they survive winter's cold temperatures. With rhyming verses, readers of all ages can find actions that mirror their own seasonal habits. Based on the folksong "Over in the Meadow," this book lends itself to equal parts reading, counting, and singing while discovering the lives of animals often unseen during half of the year. Back matter is included to foster additional curiosity about the amazing ways that nature adapts to cold climates.

Mara C. Williams uses unique vantage points to bring the winter habits of the animals to life in stunning watercolor and ink illustrations, and Laureanna Raymond-Duvernell's lyrical text with predictive reading patterns make this an excellent winter read-aloud!





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