



Dear CCS Students,

Our Library story for this week is Please Please the Bees, written and illustrated by Gerald Kelley. Life is sweet for Benedict. Every morning he wakes up to find jars of fresh honey on his back porch. He makes honey toast for breakfast, bakes honey cake in the afternoon, and drinks honey tea before bed. But one day, the jars on Benedict's porch are empty. The bees in his backyard have gone on strike! They are tired of doing all the work around the hive. What can Benedict do to make the bees happy and bring sweetness back to his days?

We are especially learning about Community, Cooperation, Compassion, and Gratitude.

Before listening to the story, think about:

1. What does it mean to go on strike?
2. What do you know about bees and honey? What do you know about bears and honey?

Go to <http://www.storylineonline.net/please-please-bees/> to listen to the story.

After listening to the story:

1. Discuss why Benedict decided to help the bees (he was nice, being fair, etc.)
2. What kind of a character is Benedict? (nice, kind, etc.)
3. The bees felt unappreciated by Benedict so they went on strike. Do you think the bees should have gone on strike?

Enjoy the story!

Your Library Ladies