



# Ten Year's of Memories at WBYO

by Nahome

I've been coming to WBYO for 10 years. I started as a 5-year-old and now I help the younger kids.

One of the best times was when I was Top Homework Kid in Grade Five. I just started at a new school and they gave more homework. Every Monday and Wednesday I was part of Homework Club. We would have snacks and volunteers would help.

I never became part of the Straight A's dinner, but I was picked as the hardest working. Then, at the end of the year, the top 10 homework kids went to the Red River Ex.

Another motivator was that we'd get slurpees. Ken uses slurpees and all kinds of ways of tricking kids into reading.

I also like team sports every Thursday at Mulvey School.

I liked going on trips to places like The Forks, Patricia Beach and the Morden Apple Corn Festival.

On the first Sunday in June we have the Sish run – almost 5 km. My favourite part is at the end when we get to throw a pie in Ken's face.

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In his early years (Above)

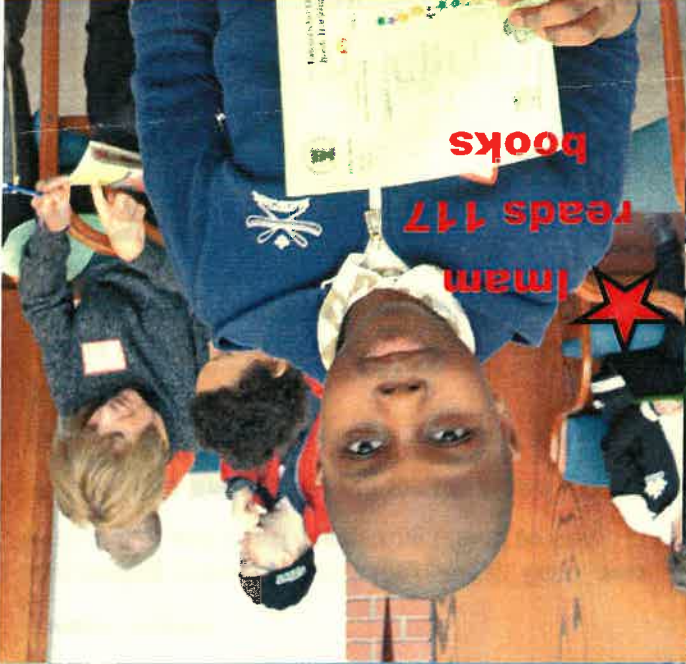


Nahome with pilot (Below)

Ken and pie at the Sish Run (Below)



Mekides flies high.



Imam reads 117 books



10 years at WBYO with Nahome

# WBYO Everyday Stars



## Flying High In The Air and In Reading

by Mekides

One of the best things this year was flying a plane. When we went up in the plane and put on the ear-phones it was fun and calming.

The pilot let me control the plane. I took the steering wheel in my own hands and flew it by myself. It was an amazing view.

I wasn't scared.

But getting tested last week for reading "Coco" was terrifying. It was petrifying getting tested by Ken.

But I passed, and we went to see the movie ("Coco").

Flying was great, but reading is great too. I love Dr. Seuss.

I want to get my driver's license when I'm 16. In the meantime, I'd love to fly a plane again.



## Reading "The Chrysalids"

by Mumtaz

I'm reading this book because Ken gave it to me and said it was his favourite. He said if I read it and don't like it, then I get free slippers delivered to me once a week during class at my school. He said that's what his teacher told him in grade 7 to get him to like reading.

I'm not done the book yet but I've read the first few chapters. So far I think it's "fantical" - it reminds me of fantasy and magical!

Way, way back I met a girl who had 6 toes on each foot, which reminds me of Sophie from the book.

I really like how David has his dreams and talks about this wonderful, wonderful city.

I can't wait to read about what happens next!



Cover of The Chrysalids, Penguin edition



Mekides boards the plane at Lyncrest Airfield.



## World of Reading

by Aishat

My brother and I love to read. His picture is on the cover at the Read-a-thon. He got an award because he read 117 books in the school year. He's only in Grade 4.

I think the Read-a-thon is a lot of fun. You get to read with lawyers which is pretty cool.

In one day I read over 70 books and won a sled, a HUGE Kinder surprise, and a Barbie doll. My favourite kinds of books to read are graphic novels and short chapter books.

At WBVO, there is a Bookworms program where if you read 10 books you get to go on an outing. The first three kids who read 100 books get a free

laptop - one of these days I'm going to win a laptop!

## Books! Books! Books!

Imam, Anna and Daniel browse at the Lawyers For Literacy Read-a-thon.



Aishat reads with volunteer lawyer, Heather. Her brother Imam is in the background.

