



Princess Book Club

(For princesses of all ages)

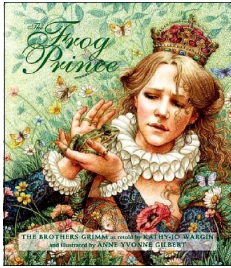
All Griffin girls are invited to participate in our Princess Book Club. All moms and/or grandmothers are also welcome! Here is how it works:

We have two books from which to choose: *The Frog Prince*, by Kathy-Jo Wargin and Anne Yvonne Gilbert or *Palace of Mirrors*, by Margaret Peterson Haddix. See below to help you decide.

First, you read the whole book, either on your own or with a parent. Next, listen for trivia questions about the books on morning announcements for your chance to win prizes. For those who are interested, we will be going as a group to the Disney movie, *The Princess and the Frog*, on December 11th or 14th! (movie is optional, reading the book is not.)

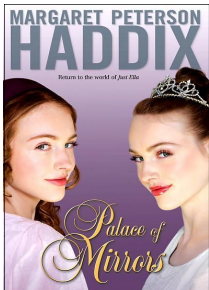
Finally, we will meet before school to have a Donut Discussion! (*The Frog Prince*-Tues., Dec. 15, *Palace of Mirrors*-Wed., Dec. 16—both at 7:30 AM)

The Frog Prince



“Intricate, gloriously lush illustrations highlight this retelling of the familiar Brothers Grimm tale. Wargin has preserved much of the tone of the original text while editing the length to make it more palatable for younger audiences. Gilbert perfectly captures the princess’ conflicting emotions as she struggles with her revulsion for the frog even as she acknowledges that she must fulfill her end of the bargain.” However, there will certainly be questions about why the witchy princess, who throws the frog at a wall, deserves him when he is revealed as a prince, but this does conform to the original story. This should make for a lively discussion on how we think the story SHOULD end! This is a picture book that most reviews say is appropriate for PreK to 3rd grade. \$15.00 hardback picture book.

Palace of Mirrors



“Cecilia, 14, has a secret. Despite her peasant appearance, she is the true princess of Suala, hidden from birth to protect her from the conspirators who murdered her parents. To evade capture, she leaves her village with her friend Harper and heads for the capital city to claim her throne. Imagine her surprise when Desmia, the figure-head princess, reveals 11 other "true princesses" locked in the palace dungeons. Much of the humor stems from Cecilia's misconceptions, and from the wit of her friend-turned-beau, Harper.” The AR reading level is at a grade 5.4. Reviews have the interest level going from age 10 through 9th grade. \$8 Scholastic Bound

Name: _____ Phone _____ Teacher _____

_____ I am going to read *The Frog Prince*. I will get it at the public library or purchase on my own.

_____ I am going to read *The Frog Prince* and have enclosed cash or MGE check for \$15.00 so that Mrs. Cross can order for me.

_____ I am going to read *Palace of Mirrors*. I will get it at the public library or purchase on my own.

_____ I am going to read *Palace of Mirrors*. I have enclosed cash or check to MGE for \$8.00. (21 are available for immediate first-come-first-served purchase. The others will be ordered from Scholastic.)

_____ My mother or mother-figure is going to join me.

_____ We want to attend the movie with other MGE girls. (We will wait until the date draws nearer to send details.)

