

Henry David Thoreau Resident Author October News

Henry David Thoreau made his return to St. Benedict Catholic School by being Mrs. Przybojewski's substitute. He was greeted warmly by all the students and enjoyed preparing the junior high for the work that they will be involved in about his writings. He reviewed his life and importance to the students and was able to answer their questions. Since the eighth grades respond in writing in their journals about statements that he wrote in his own journal, Henry was able to expand a bit more on their significance.

Grade eight students are looking forward to the visit by another great American writer Ralph Waldo Emerson, who was Henry's mentor and first encourage him to keep a journal. Emerson will speak to the students about his life and will talk about the art of journaling. He and Henry will speak to the students about their literary influence upon each other and the rift that separated them.