<u>Schiesher Students Introduced to New Research Tools in the Library</u>

During the second week of school, Mrs. Jakalski introduced 4th and 5th grade students to the "**One Search**" feature of the Schiesher Library online catalog. Using their assigned user names and passwords, students were taught how to log into the library online catalog, enter a search term and click on the "**One Search**" button. This gave students access to a tab that allowed them to search for three different types of reference sources based on that search term: titles in the Schiesher library, online encyclopedia databases, and educational websites.

The Schiesher subscription online encyclopedia databases include *World Book Student Encyclopedia, Encarta Online Encyclopedia, Grolier Encyclopedia, Britannica Online Encyclopedia,* and *Facts for Learning*. Several free databases can also be searched.

The educational websites are provided by "**Web Path Express**" an additional feature of our online catalog. "**Web Path Express"** searches provide age appropriate, educator tested and recommended, kid-friendly websites.

Students were advised that they can now access the Schiesher online catalog from home as well as in school. More detailed information on how to use these new features will be presented to students during the coming months as they begin new research projects, and detailed instructions will be sent home with students.