



Beye School is excited to announce **our 2019 One School, One Book read together!** Each family at Beye and all staff members received a copy of the book <u>The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane</u> by Kate DiCamillo. One School, One Book is a community building event in which all families and staff read the same book over a specific time period. This encourages everyone to read and discuss the same book with common themes.

Kate DiCamillo is an award winning author. She has written numerous books for young people. Her books The Tale of Despereaux and Flora and Ulysses both won Newbery awards. We are excited to share her writing with the entire Beye community.

The kick-off event will happen on, Monday, April 15th in the gym. Students will be given their books (one per family) and everyone will read Chapters 1-2. Families will then read the remainder of the book together at home over the next four weeks. Students will be given a recommended reading schedule. If possible, we encourage you to read as a family each night. Take the opportunity to relax and spend that time together. Every Thursday we will ask trivia questions over the morning announcements. Classrooms will drop their answers off in a box in the library. On Friday morning, as part of the announcements, classroom answers will be shared over the intercom. We are aiming to finish the book by May 17th. As you read, please take time to talk about the book with your child(ren). This book was chosen because of its themes of friendship, kindness and learning to love others over self. We wanted you to be aware that chapter 17 contains a reference to alcohol. Chapter 19 deals with the death of one of the characters. Please preview these chapters and address it as you see fit through discussion.

The reading schedule and other information will be sent home when the books become available. There will also be a pre-recorded version of each chapter available. Chapters will be read by Beye staff members.

Thank you to the Beye PTO for providing each family and staff member with a book! We are excited to take this journey together. Enjoy the book! Please email Mr. Withers with any questions you may have.

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